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Milk Production Cattle On Feed Weather Summary

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MILK PRODUCTION

NEW MEXICO: Milk production in New Mexico during November totaled 503 million pounds, down 6% from the previous month's total of 534 million pounds, but still 8% above production of a year ago. Production per cow averaged 1,650, 100 pounds less than the October average of 1,750 pounds per cow. The number of milk cows on farms in the state remained unchanged from October 2002 at 305,000 head. New Mexico continues to be ranked 7th nationally in milk production.

UNITED STATES: Milk production in the 20 major States during November totaled 11.7 billion pounds, up 1.8 percent from November 2001. October revised production, at 12.0 billion pounds, was up 2.1 percent from October 2001. The October revision represented a decrease of 26 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,501 pounds for November, 16 pounds above November 2001. The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.79 million head, 54,000 head more than November 2001, and 1,000 head more than October 2002.

Milk Cows and Production: October 2002^{1/} and November 2001-2002

| State | Milk Cows ^{2/} | | | Milk per Cow ^{3/} | | | Milk Production ^{3/} | | |
|---------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 11/01 | 10/02 | 11/02 | 11/01 | 10/02 | 11/02 | 11/01 | 10/02 | 11/02 |
| | -----1,000 Head----- | | | -----Pounds----- | | | -----Million Pounds----- | | |
| AZ | 140 | 150 | 150 | 1,660 | 1,745 | 1,795 | 232 | 262 | 269 |
| CA | 1,614 | 1,664 | 1,670 | 1,685 | 1,760 | 1,700 | 2,720 | 2,929 | 2,839 |
| FL | 152 | 147 | 147 | 1,170 | 1,110 | 1,175 | 178 | 163 | 173 |
| ID | 372 | 391 | 390 | 1,730 | 1,760 | 1,690 | 644 | 688 | 659 |
| IL | 115 | 115 | 115 | 1,375 | 1,430 | 1,420 | 158 | 164 | 163 |
| IN | 155 | 149 | 148 | 1,350 | 1,420 | 1,400 | 209 | 212 | 207 |
| IA | 206 | 208 | 208 | 1,485 | 1,480 | 1,470 | 306 | 308 | 306 |
| KY | 125 | 120 | 120 | 1,050 | 1,025 | 1,000 | 131 | 123 | 120 |
| MI | 301 | 300 | 301 | 1,575 | 1,650 | 1,610 | 474 | 495 | 485 |
| MN | 500 | 480 | 480 | 1,365 | 1,390 | 1,350 | 683 | 667 | 648 |
| MO | 141 | 136 | 135 | 1,080 | 1,120 | 1,110 | 152 | 152 | 150 |
| NM | 280 | 305 | 305 | 1,665 | 1,750 | 1,650 | 466 | 534 | 503 |
| NY | 674 | 676 | 675 | 1,430 | 1,490 | 1,430 | 964 | 1,007 | 965 |
| OH | 256 | 264 | 264 | 1,370 | 1,395 | 1,370 | 351 | 368 | 362 |
| PA | 596 | 591 | 591 | 1,460 | 1,495 | 1,460 | 870 | 884 | 863 |
| TX | 312 | 309 | 309 | 1,275 | 1,350 | 1,350 | 398 | 417 | 417 |
| VT | 154 | 153 | 153 | 1,405 | 1,425 | 1,395 | 216 | 218 | 213 |
| VA | 119 | 119 | 119 | 1,285 | 1,260 | 1,260 | 153 | 150 | 150 |
| WA | 247 | 247 | 247 | 1,780 | 1,870 | 1,800 | 440 | 462 | 445 |
| WI | 1,280 | 1,268 | 1,266 | 1,365 | 1,420 | 1,390 | 1,747 | 1,801 | 1,760 |
| 20 STS | 7,739 | 7,792 | 7,793 | 1,485 | 1,541 | 1,501 | 11,492 | 12,004 | 11,697 |

1/ Revised. 2/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

CATTLE ON FEED

NEW MEXICO: Cattle and calves on feed December 1, 2002 for the slaughter market in New Mexico totaled 123,000 head, 6,000 more than the revised November 1, 2002 total of 117,000 head and 15,000 head more than the previous year total of 108,000. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during November totaled 18,000 head, 4,000 less than the number placed the previous month. Marketings of fed cattle totaled 11,000 head, 5,000 less than October 2002. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head.

UNITED STATES: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.9 million head on December 1, 2002. Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.98 million, 4 percent above 2001 but 2 percent below 2000. Net placements were 1.89 million. Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.73 million, 4 percent below 2001 and 5 percent below 2000. Other disappearance totaled 90,000 during November, 13 percent above 2001 but 14 percent below 2000.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots ^{1/}

| State | Number on Feed | | | Placed | | | Marketed | | | Other Disappearance ^{2/} | | |
|-----------|----------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 12/01 | 11/1/02 | 12/1/02 | DURING | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 11/01 | 10/02 | 11/02 | 11/01 | 10/02 | 11/02 | 11/01 | 10/02 | 11/02 |
| | -----1,000 Head----- | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AZ | 303 | 290 | 295 | 31 | 28 | 32 | 27 | 25 | 24 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| CA | 490 | 490 | 500 | 70 | 60 | 65 | 45 | 58 | 50 | 5 | 7 | 5 |
| CO | 1,160 | 1,060 | 1,070 | 175 | 250 | 190 | 180 | 210 | 170 | 5 | 10 | 10 |
| ID | 340 | 295 | 300 | 74 | 77 | 60 | 61 | 61 | 53 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| IA | 350 | 335 | 350 | 75 | 95 | 80 | 64 | 73 | 63 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| KS | 2,640 | 2,300 | 2,300 | 410 | 455 | 420 | 420 | 410 | 395 | 20 | 25 | 25 |
| NE | 2,270 | 2,110 | 2,180 | 390 | 520 | 410 | 305 | 360 | 330 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| NM | 108 | *117 | 123 | 15 | *22 | 18 | 14 | 16 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| OK | 385 | 340 | 340 | 59 | 75 | 55 | 66 | 63 | 53 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| SD | 195 | 170 | 195 | 53 | 57 | 56 | 29 | 36 | 30 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| TX | 2,990 | 2,730 | 2,700 | 430 | 600 | 470 | 500 | 570 | 475 | 20 | 20 | 25 |
| WA | 260 | 185 | 195 | 48 | 49 | 40 | 45 | 33 | 29 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Oth Sts | 400 | 320 | 350 | 78 | 101 | 81 | 44 | 64 | 48 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| US | 11,891 | *10,742 | 10,898 | 1,908 | *2,389 | 1,977 | 1,800 | 1,979 | 1,731 | 80 | 84 | 90 |

* Revised. ^{1/} Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ^{2/} Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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WEATHER SUMMARY

Temperatures and precipitation were somewhat variable throughout the week as skies alternated from clear to cloudy. Several passing upper level disturbances helped produce rain and snow of near one half inch in the far north and across southwest sections of the state. Elsewhere the moisture was spotty and mostly under one-tenth inch. Temperatures swung back and forth (depending on the cloud cover) with cool readings dominating across the north and central counties, while the eastern plains averaged warmer than normal despite some chilly nights.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS DECEMBER 16-22, 2002

| Station | Temperature | | | Precipitation | | | | |
|---------------|-------------|---------|---------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Mean | Maximum | Minimum | 12/16 12/22 | 12/01 12/22 | Normal Dec | 01/01 12/22 | Normal Jan-Dec |
| Carlsbad | 48.8 | 75 | 23 | T | 0.37 | 0.41 | 11.67 | 12.79 |
| Hobbs | 42.6 | 69 | 21 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.48 | 15.92 | 16.05 |
| Roswell | 43.6 | 70 | 21 | T | 0.79 | 0.55 | 13.77 | 12.93 |
| Clayton | 34.6 | 58 | 14 | 0.13 | 0.54 | 0.29 | 10.45 | 15.09 |
| Clovis | 43.0 | 64 | 23 | 0.04 | 0.99 | 0.54 | 16.29 | 17.51 |
| Roy | 39.6 | 53 | 27 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.45 | 16.29 | 15.74 |
| Tucumcari | 42.0 | 65 | 22 | 0.07 | 0.34 | 0.27 | 15.00 | 14.17 |
| Chama | 20.1 | 45 | -8 | 0.46 | 0.81 | 1.80 | 15.60 | 21.61 |
| Johnson Ranch | 24.6 | 48 | 3 | 0.11 | 0.39 | 0.67 | 9.23 | 11.52 |
| Capulin | 25.1 | 42 | 5 | 0.05 | 0.75 | 0.48 | 12.83 | 17.42 |
| Las Vegas | 32.2 | 51 | 15 | T | 0.42 | 0.47 | 10.12 | 16.96 |
| Los Alamos | 27.3 | 45 | 11 | 0.15 | 0.81 | 1.08 | 11.69 | 18.72 |
| Raton | 28.9 | 49 | 9 | 0.01 | 0.94 | 0.58 | 12.40 | 16.80 |
| Santa Fe | 27.4 | 50 | 7 | 0.21 | 0.69 | 0.77 | 10.27 | 13.98 |
| Red River | 19.5 | 40 | -3 | 0.36 | 0.60 | 1.16 | 17.97 | 20.49 |
| Farmington | 30.4 | 51 | 15 | 0.30 | 0.40 | 0.50 | 7.49 | 8.62 |
| Gallup | 23.6 | 51 | -1 | 0.09 | 0.47 | 0.96 | 10.19 | 12.87 |
| Grants | 42.6 | 300 | -7 | 0.28 | 1.10 | 0.66 | 9.93 | 10.80 |
| Silver City | 35.0 | 58 | 14 | 0.37 | 1.66 | 1.20 | 9.50 | 15.92 |
| Quemado | 30.4 | 54 | -8 | 0.50 | 0.59 | 1.02 | 10.55 | 14.06 |
| Albuquerque | 35.4 | 54 | 19 | T | 0.36 | 0.50 | 6.39 | 8.88 |
| Carrizozo | 31.3 | 58 | 8 | 0.00 | 0.82 | 0.76 | 13.23 | 12.83 |
| Gran Quivera | 33.9 | 56 | 18 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.10 | 11.76 | 16.02 |
| Moriarty | 32.1 | 53 | 18 | 0.00 | 0.96 | 0.54 | 9.56 | 12.71 |
| Ruidoso | 34.7 | 58 | 22 | 0.27 | 1.87 | 1.63 | 17.16 | 21.35 |
| Socorro | 38.2 | 62 | 12 | 0.09 | 0.76 | 0.58 | 10.58 | 9.53 |
| Alamogordo | 44.2 | 66 | 21 | 0.03 | 1.03 | 0.82 | 9.72 | 12.74 |
| Animas | 41.4 | 67 | 23 | 0.00 | 0.74 | 1.08 | 7.63 | 11.70 |
| Deming | 40.4 | 64 | 17 | 0.14 | 0.79 | 0.85 | 9.14 | 10.58 |
| T or C | 41.1 | 66 | 20 | 0.08 | 1.09 | 1.07 | 7.51 | 10.29 |
| Las Cruces | 41.4 | 68 | 19 | 0.01 | 0.88 | 0.68 | 6.94 | 9.40 |

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.

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