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FOURTH QUARTER MILK PRODUCTION

WEST VIRGINIA -- Milk production in West Virginia totaled 52 million pounds during the October - December quarter of 2003. This was down 5 million pounds from the same quarter last year and 4 million pounds below the July - September 2003 quarter. The number of dairy cows averaged 14,000 head, down 1,000 head from the previous quarter and the same quarter last year.

UNITED STATES -- Milk production in the U.S. during the October-December quarter totaled 41.3 billion pounds, down 0.6 percent from the October-December quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.01 million head, 141,000 head less than the same period last year.

