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## MILK PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, AND INCOME – 2020 SUMMARY

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Milk production increased 2.2 percent in 2020 to 223 billion pounds. The rate per cow, at 23,777 pounds, was 382 pounds above 2019. The annual average number of milk cows on farms was 9.39 million head, up 51,000 head from 2019.

Cash receipts from marketings of milk during 2020 totaled \$40.5 billion, up slightly from 2019. Producer returns averaged \$18.25 per hundredweight, 2.1 percent below 2019. Marketings totaled 222.1 billion pounds, 2.2 percent above 2019. Marketings include whole milk sold to plants and dealers and milk sold directly to consumers.

An estimated 1.09 billion pounds of milk were used on farms where produced, 6.2 percent more than 2019. Calves were fed 92 percent of this milk, with the remainder consumed in producer households.

For a full copy of the *Milk Production, Disposition, and Income* report, please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov). For state specific questions, please contact:

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