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California Milk Production

California milk producers had a total of 1.77 million milk cows for December that produced 3.38 billion pounds of milk. Milk production is up 5 percent from November, 2016 and up slightly from December 2015. Monthly milk per cow averaged 1,915 pounds, up 95 pounds from November 2016.

Milk Cows and Production by Month – California and United States: 2015 and 2016

Month	California						Total milk receipts ⁴		United States ¹					
	Milk cows ²		Milk per cow ³		Milk production ³				Milk cows ²		Milk per cow ³		Milk production ³	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
Jan	1,779	1,774	1,845	1,860	3,282	3,300	3,528	3,430	9,308	9,317	1,737	1,815	16,166	16,912
Feb	1,779	1,773	2,080	2,035	3,700	3,608	3,281	3,299	9,311	9,329	1,942	1,974	18,085	18,411
Mar	1,779	1,772	2,025	1,965	3,602	3,482	3,697	3,603	9,316	9,327	1,909	1,926	17,788	17,964
Apr	1,778	1,771	2,055	2,005	3,654	3,551	3,602	3,478	9,324	9,327	1,976	1,997	18,428	18,622
May	1,778	1,769	1,910	1,900	3,396	3,361	3,649	3,551	9,323	9,328	1,878	1,905	17,504	17,774
Jun	1,778	1,768	1,915	1,910	3,405	3,377	3,393	3,357	9,314	9,332	1,897	1,921	17,665	17,928
Jul	1,778	1,767	1,880	1,860	3,343	3,287	3,402	3,375	9,315	9,341	1,868	1,894	17,403	17,693
Aug	1,777	1,766	1,785	1,795	3,172	3,170	3,338	3,285	9,317	9,337	1,784	1,817	16,617	16,961
Sep	1,777	1,765	1,825	1,875	3,243	3,309	3,170	3,169	9,320	9,335	1,838	1,880	17,130	17,550
Oct	1,776	1,765	1,805	1,820	3,206	3,212	3,242	3,304	9,322	9,347	1,790	1,832	16,689	17,120
Nov	1,775	1,765	1,895	1,915	3,364	3,380	3,203	3,211	9,320	9,358	1,875	1,908	17,473	17,859
Dec	1,779	1,774	1,985	1,935	3,531	3,433	3,360	3,376	9,308	9,310	1,900	1,903	17,685	3,211

¹ Twenty-three state total.

² Includes dry cows, but excludes heifers not yet fresh.

³ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

⁴ Milk receipts are from the California Department of Food and Agriculture's Dairy Marketing and Milk Pooling branches. Excludes on-farm usage.

Milk Cows and Production – States and United States: Preliminary October - December 2015 and 2016

State	October - December milk cows ¹		October - December milk production ²		
	2015	2016	2015	2016	Change from 2015
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>percent</i>
California	1,776.0	1,765.0	9,813.0	9,901.0	0.9
Hawaii	2.2	2.3	7.6	8.3	9.2
Nevada	28.0	30.0	170.0	169.0	-0.6
United States	9,321.0	9,347.0	51,292.0	52,529.0	2.4

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