

## Dairy and Livestock

The number of milk cows decreased from 6,500 head in 2008 to 6,000 in 2009, while production per cow increased 77 pounds to 17,000. Total milk production decreased to 102 million pounds, down 7 percent from last year. Cash receipts decreased 30 percent from 2008 to \$14.3 million. Dairy men received an average of \$14.20 per hundredweight of milk, down \$4.50 from 2008.

The January 1, 2010, inventory of all cattle and calves in Delaware was down 1,000 from a year earlier to 20,000 head. Delaware beef production in 2009 was down 7 percent from 2008 to 6.2 million pounds. In 2009 cash receipts, were at \$5.9 million down 17 percent from 2008. Average price per 100 pounds live weight at \$95 for calves, was down \$10.00 from 2008, while the cattle price decreased \$5.40 per 100 pounds live weight from 2008 to \$81.10.

Hog and pig inventory as of December 1, 2009, decreased 1,500 from 2008 to 7,500 head. Pork production was 4.2 million pounds in 2009, down 33 percent from 2008, cash receipts dropped to \$2.1 million, from \$3.2 million in 2008.

### Milk Cows and Milk Production, Delaware, 2005 - 2009

Year	Milk Cows On Farms	Milk per Milk Cow	Milkfat per Milk Cow	Percentage of Fat In All Milk Produced	Total Milk
	Thousand	Pounds		Percent	Million Pounds
2005 <sup>1</sup>	7.4	16,622	622	3.74	123
2006	7.0	16,286	606	3.72	114
2007	6.8	16,618	617	3.71	113
2008	6.5	16,923	633	3.74	110
2009	6.0	17,000	634	3.73	102

<sup>1</sup> Revised

### Milk and Milkfat: Marketings and Income, Delaware, 2005 - 2009

Year	Milk Utilized (million lbs.)	Average returns		Cash Receipts from Marketings (1,000 dollars)
		Per Cwt. Milk (dollars)	Per Lb. Milkfat (dollars)	
2005 <sup>1</sup>	121.9	16.20	4.33	19,748
2006	113.0	13.40	3.60	15,142
2007	112.0	19.60	5.28	21,952
2008	109.0	18.70	5.00	20,383
2009	101.0	14.20	3.81	14,342

<sup>1</sup> Revised