

Dairy and Livestock

The number of milk cows decreased from 6,000 head in 2009 to 5,300 in 2010, while production per cow decreased 19 pounds to 16,981. Total milk production decreased to 90 million pounds, down 12 percent from last year. Cash receipts increased 14 percent from 2009 to \$16.4 million. Dairy men received an average of \$18.40 per hundredweight of milk, up \$4.20 from 2009.

The January 1, 2011, inventory of all cattle and calves in Delaware was down 2,000 from a year earlier to 18,000 head. Delaware beef production in 2010 was 4.6 million pounds, down 26 percent from 2009. In 2010 cash receipts, were at \$6.0 million virtually unchanged from 2009. Average price per 100 pounds live weight at \$104 for calves, was up \$9.00 from 2009, while the cattle price increased \$9.50 per 100 pounds live weight from 2009 to \$90.60.

Hog and pig inventory as of December 1, 2010, decreased 2,000 from 2009 to 5,500 head. Pork production was 4.5 million pounds in 2010, up 5 percent from 2009, cash receipts were at \$2.7 million, up 28 percent from 2009.

Milk Cows and Milk Production, Delaware, 2006 - 2010

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
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
2010	5.3	16,981	654	3.85	90

Milk and Milkfat: Marketings and Income, Delaware, 2006 - 2010

Year	Milk Utilized (million lbs.)	Average Returns		Cash Receipts from Marketings (1,000 dollars)
		Per Cwt. Milk (dollars)	Per Lb. Milkfat (dollars)	
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
2010	89.0	18.40	4.78	16,376