



News Release

March Milk Production

Dairy herds in Indiana produced 379 million pounds of milk during March, up 2.2 percent from a year ago, according to Greg Matli, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. The daily rate per cow was 65.3 pounds, up 0.9 pounds from March 2017. The dairy herd was estimated at 187,000 head for March, up 1,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during March totaled 17.8 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from March 2017. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 65.7 pounds for March, 0.7 pounds above March 2017. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.74 million head, 29,000 head more than March 2017, but 2,000 head less than February 2018.

Milk production, March

Commodity	Indiana			23 Major States		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
Cows1,000 Hd	184	186	187	8,637	8,714	8,743
Daily rate per cowPounds	63.2	64.4	65.3	64.4	65.0	65.7
ProductionMil lbs	361	371	379	17,227	17,564	17,821

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