



# News Release

## December Milk Production

Dairy herds in Indiana produced 335 million pounds of milk during December, down 2.0 percent from a year ago, according to Greg Matli, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. The daily rate per cow was 61.5, up 0.5 pounds from December 2018. The dairy herd was estimated at 176,000 head for December, down 5,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during December totaled 17.4 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent from December 2018. November revised production, at 16.7 billion pounds, was up 0.9 percent from November 2018. The November revision represented an increase of 4 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,978 pounds for December, 14 pounds above December 2018. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.81 million head, 16,000 head more than December 2018, but unchanged from November 2019.

### Milk Production – Indiana and 24 Selected States: December 2018 and 2019

Commodity	Indiana		24 Major States	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
Cows ..... 1,000 Hd	181	176	8,798	8,814
Daily rate per cow ..... Pounds	61.0	61.5	63.4	63.8
Production ..... Mil lbs	342	335	17,282	17,435

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