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## CHICKENS & EGGS

Iowa **egg production** during August 2018 was 1.40 billion eggs, up 1 percent from last month and up 4 percent from last year, according to the latest *Chickens and Eggs* report from the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The average number of **all layers on hand** during August 2018 was 57.7 million, up 1 percent from last month and up 5 percent from last year. **Eggs per 100 layers** for August were 2,417, up slightly from last month but down 1 percent from last year.

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### Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During August 2017 and 2018

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding. Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals.]

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 & above		All layers on hand		Eggs per 100 layers		Total egg production		Table egg production	
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	1,354	1,316	9,098	9,499	1,938	1,915	176.3	181.9	35.1	32.4
Arkansas .....	3,761	4,032	13,881	14,079	2,091	2,088	290.3	293.9	101.7	104.9
California .....	12,885	13,943	13,500	14,592	2,427	2,500	327.7	364.8	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	4,150	4,241	4,550	4,643	2,527	2,641	115.0	122.6	(D)	(D)
Florida .....	6,718	6,765	7,133	7,208	2,271	2,340	162.0	168.7	156.9	162.9
Georgia .....	9,339	8,804	19,084	19,071	2,184	2,113	416.8	402.9	223.6	205.3
Illinois .....	4,410	5,178	4,886	5,630	2,517	2,510	123.0	141.3	118.4	137.4
Indiana .....	31,935	31,895	32,742	32,696	2,478	2,423	811.3	792.1	795.1	777.2
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>53,682</b>	<b>56,403</b>	<b>55,113</b>	<b>57,736</b>	<b>2,432</b>	<b>2,417</b>	<b>1,340.3</b>	<b>1,395.5</b>	<b>1,322.4</b>	<b>1,378.0</b>
Maryland .....	2,661	2,374	2,818	2,525	2,502	2,475	70.5	62.5	69.4	61.5
Michigan .....	13,903	15,382	14,125	15,610	2,567	2,517	362.6	392.9	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	9,791	10,783	10,321	11,300	2,517	2,512	259.8	283.9	253.6	276.5
Mississippi .....	1,491	1,453	5,655	5,572	2,124	2,141	120.1	119.3	38.5	37.1
Missouri .....	6,272	7,413	9,838	11,133	2,427	2,463	238.8	274.2	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	7,514	7,824	7,759	8,127	2,593	2,596	201.2	211.0	197.3	205.3
New York .....	5,114	4,982	5,476	5,382	2,631	2,575	144.1	138.6	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	7,125	5,496	15,320	13,502	2,153	2,132	329.9	287.8	175.9	133.8
Ohio .....	29,895	31,259	30,825	32,253	2,465	2,442	759.9	787.6	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	2,236	2,149	2,375	2,288	2,720	2,653	64.6	60.7	64.6	60.7
Pennsylvania .....	25,442	25,651	27,406	27,814	2,540	2,511	696.0	698.3	666.2	665.9
South Carolina .....	2,966	3,085	4,171	4,299	2,302	2,256	96.0	97.0	73.3	74.2
South Dakota .....	2,437	2,572	2,579	2,714	2,416	2,506	62.3	68.0	62.3	68.0
Texas .....	17,288	17,722	21,580	22,137	2,246	2,305	484.6	510.3	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	5,178	4,635	5,216	4,673	2,512	2,448	131.0	114.4	131.0	114.4
Virginia .....	827	729	2,627	2,415	2,174	2,211	57.1	53.4	24.5	22.1
Washington .....	6,894	6,748	7,059	6,913	2,540	2,501	179.3	172.9	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	5,511	6,009	6,154	6,692	2,524	2,496	155.3	167.0	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	23,643	25,216	32,610	34,548	2,289	2,312	746.5	798.6	612.7	659.9
<b>United States .....</b>	<b>304,422</b>	<b>314,059</b>	<b>373,901</b>	<b>385,051</b>	<b>2,386</b>	<b>2,379</b>	<b>8,922.3</b>	<b>9,162.1</b>	<b>7,755.2</b>	<b>7,964.5</b>

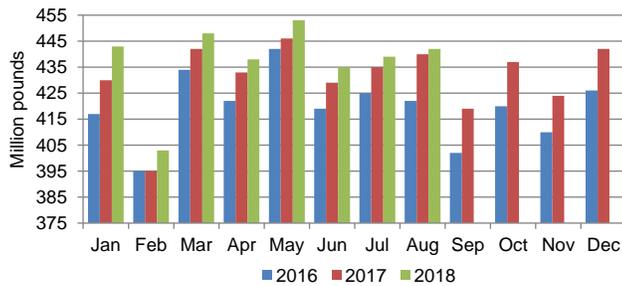
(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data for states not published in this table.

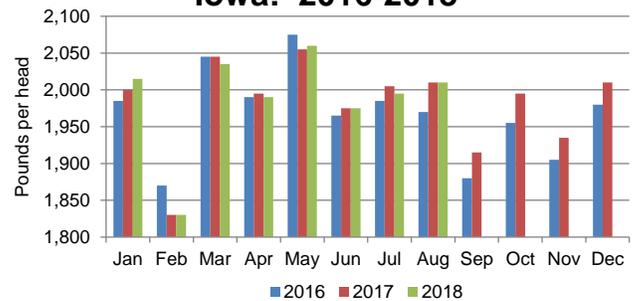
# MILK PRODUCTION

**Milk production** in Iowa during August 2018 totaled 442 million pounds, up slightly from the previous August according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during August, at 220,000 head, was unchanged from last month but 1,000 more than last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,010 pounds, unchanged from last August.

**Milk Production  
Iowa: 2016-2018**



**Milk Production per Cow  
Iowa: 2016-2018**



## Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: August 2017 and 2018

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	Change from 2017
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona .....	204	206	1,890	1,885	386	388	0.5
California .....	1,746	1,734	1,870	1,905	3,265	3,303	1.2
Colorado .....	161	175	2,250	2,245	362	393	8.6
Florida .....	124	119	1,555	1,505	193	179	-7.3
Idaho .....	603	607	2,155	2,160	1,299	1,311	0.9
Illinois .....	93	93	1,675	1,645	156	153	-1.9
Indiana .....	187	185	1,870	1,880	350	348	-0.6
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>2,010</b>	<b>2,010</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>0.5</b>
Kansas .....	152	160	1,920	1,980	292	317	8.6
Michigan .....	428	423	2,230	2,240	954	948	-0.6
Minnesota .....	458	452	1,830	1,880	838	850	1.4
New Mexico .....	331	328	2,065	2,095	684	687	0.4
New York .....	624	622	2,015	2,055	1,257	1,278	1.7
Ohio .....	264	257	1,790	1,805	473	464	-1.9
Oregon .....	123	121	1,735	1,760	213	213	0.0
Pennsylvania .....	525	519	1,725	1,700	906	882	-2.6
South Dakota .....	118	121	1,915	1,915	226	232	2.7
Texas .....	515	535	1,950	2,055	1,004	1,099	9.5
Utah .....	97	100	2,010	2,000	195	200	2.6
Vermont .....	129	127	1,775	1,785	229	227	-0.9
Virginia .....	87	83	1,610	1,585	140	132	-5.7
Washington .....	275	277	2,050	2,075	564	575	2.0
Wisconsin .....	1,278	1,274	2,025	2,060	2,588	2,624	1.4
<b>23-State Total .....</b>	<b>8,741</b>	<b>8,738</b>	<b>1,946</b>	<b>1,974</b>	<b>17,014</b>	<b>17,245</b>	<b>1.4</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

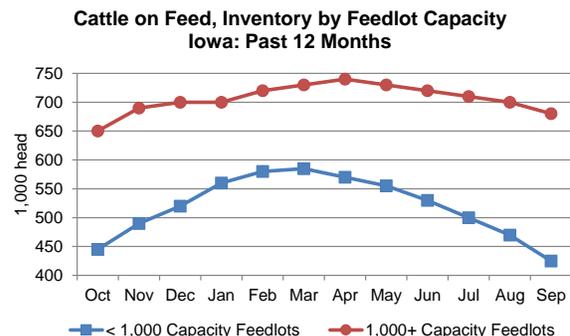
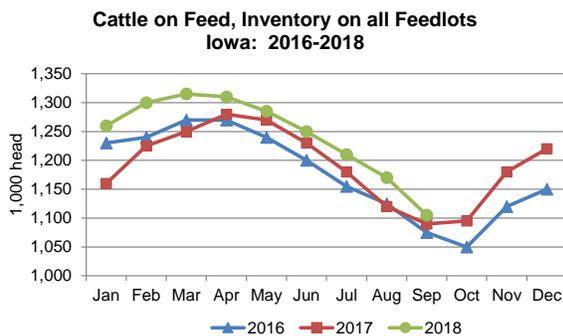
## CATTLE ON FEED

**Cattle and calves on feed** for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 680,000 head on September 1, 2018, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was down 3 percent from August 1, 2018, but up 6 percent from September 1, 2017. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 425,000 head on feed, down 10 percent from last month and down 6 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,105,000 head, down 6 percent from last month but up 1 percent from last year.

**Placements** of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during August totaled 82,000 head, up 24 percent from last month but down 11 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 30,000 head, down 36 percent from last month and down 27 percent from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 112,000 head, down 1 percent from last month and down 16 percent from last year.

**Marketings** of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during August totaled 100,000 head, up 35 percent from last month but down 1 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 73,000 head, down 3 percent from last month but up 22 percent from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 173,000 head, up 16 percent from last month and up 7 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 4,000 head.

**NOTE:** This report is a combination of estimates from the USDA *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship-funded *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head.



### All Cattle on Feed – Iowa

Item	Feedlots 1,000+ capacity	Feedlots less than 1,000 capacity	All feedlots
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	
Cattle on feed <sup>1</sup> , August 1, 2018 .....	700	470	1,170
August placements .....	82	30	112
August marketings .....	100	73	173
August other disappearance <sup>2</sup> .....	2	2	4
Cattle on feed, September 1, 2018 .....	680	425	1,105

<sup>1</sup> Cattle on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. It excludes cattle being "backgrounded only" for later sale as feeders or later placement in another feedlot.

<sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

**Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month,  
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – Selected States and United States: 2017-2018**

State	Cattle on Feed September 1			Placements during August			Marketings during August			August Disappearance other than Slaughter <sup>1</sup>		
	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Arizona .....	244	295	121	20	20	100	19	22	116	1	1	100
California .....	420	525	125	39	54	138	46	50	109	3	4	133
Colorado .....	860	900	105	175	205	117	190	190	100	5	5	100
Idaho .....	240	255	106	44	57	130	52	46	88	2	1	50
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>200</b>
Kansas .....	2,220	2,310	104	495	520	105	445	430	97	10	10	100
Minnesota.....	120	125	104	20	23	115	29	27	93	1	1	100
Nebraska .....	2,150	2,330	108	470	480	102	470	470	100	10	10	100
Oklahoma .....	315	320	102	65	65	100	64	59	92	1	1	100
South Dakota ...	215	200	93	45	49	109	49	48	98	1	1	100
Texas .....	2,590	2,680	103	385	415	108	435	440	101	10	15	150
Washington .....	200	210	105	33	35	106	36	44	122	2	1	50
Other States ....	290	295	102	45	65	144	43	57	133	2	3	150
United States....	10,504	11,125	106	1,928	2,070	107	1,979	1,983	100	49	55	112

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