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CHICKENS & EGGS

Iowa **egg production** during October 2018 was 1.40 billion eggs, up 3 percent from last month and up 5 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 October 2018 was 57.8 million, virtually unchanged from last month but up 4 percent from last year. **Eggs per 100 layers** for October were 2,422, up 3 percent from last month and up 1 percent from last year.

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Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During October 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	1,373	1,326	9,486	9,487	1,924	1,931	182.5	183.2	37.0	34.3
Arkansas	3,952	4,095	13,932	13,997	2,054	2,058	286.2	288.0	100.9	104.5
California	13,862	13,852	14,499	14,495	2,335	2,554	338.6	370.2	(D)	(D)
Colorado	4,176	4,572	4,578	4,974	2,650	2,589	121.3	128.8	(D)	(D)
Florida	6,944	6,993	7,346	7,381	2,307	2,261	169.5	166.9	164.4	162.2
Georgia	9,447	8,929	19,405	19,610	2,124	2,141	412.1	419.9	225.8	214.1
Illinois	4,412	4,905	4,855	5,373	2,509	2,453	121.8	131.8	117.8	127.7
Indiana	32,128	31,781	32,993	32,600	2,481	2,430	818.5	792.1	801.9	776.4
Iowa	54,108	56,390	55,529	57,825	2,403	2,422	1,334.3	1,400.3	1,317.5	1,379.5
Maryland	2,625	2,584	2,786	2,734	2,495	2,546	69.5	69.6	68.5	68.6
Michigan	14,099	15,569	14,320	15,784	2,508	2,468	359.1	389.5	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	9,792	10,777	10,237	11,247	2,428	2,506	248.6	281.9	242.2	276.0
Mississippi	1,406	1,430	5,521	5,501	2,193	2,171	121.1	119.4	37.6	37.2
Missouri	6,394	7,681	9,959	11,362	2,404	2,434	239.4	276.5	(D)	(D)
Nebraska	7,440	8,083	7,714	8,390	2,514	2,553	193.9	214.2	189.7	208.4
New York	4,992	4,979	5,364	5,380	2,623	2,502	140.7	134.6	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	6,943	4,750	15,150	12,689	2,158	2,114	327.0	268.3	171.7	118.7
Ohio	30,280	31,805	31,189	32,799	2,419	2,469	754.6	809.8	(D)	(D)
Oregon	2,203	2,105	2,342	2,244	2,635	2,594	61.7	58.2	61.7	58.2
Pennsylvania	26,279	25,891	28,159	27,993	2,505	2,513	705.4	703.5	680.0	671.9
South Carolina	2,913	3,211	4,151	4,454	2,320	2,243	96.3	99.9	73.3	77.2
South Dakota	2,501	2,696	2,643	2,838	2,497	2,622	66.0	74.4	66.0	74.4
Texas	17,641	17,723	21,862	21,877	2,279	2,370	498.2	518.4	(D)	(D)
Utah	4,893	4,395	4,931	4,433	2,567	2,581	126.6	114.4	126.6	114.4
Virginia	849	879	2,519	2,499	2,342	2,109	59.0	52.7	28.5	22.7
Washington	6,637	6,918	6,802	7,083	2,493	2,640	169.6	187.0	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	6,039	6,010	6,706	6,681	2,249	2,365	150.8	158.0	(D)	(D)
Other States ¹	24,011	25,201	33,050	34,446	2,263	2,347	747.9	808.6	613.9	671.6
United States	308,339	315,530	378,028	386,176	2,360	2,388	8,920.2	9,220.1	7,763.3	8,035.2

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.
¹ Includes data for states not published in this table.

AG PRICES

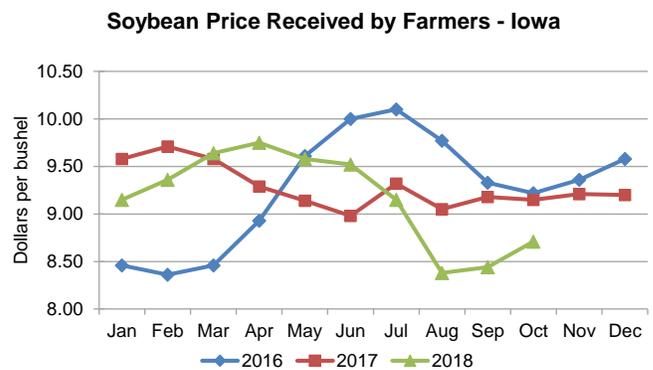
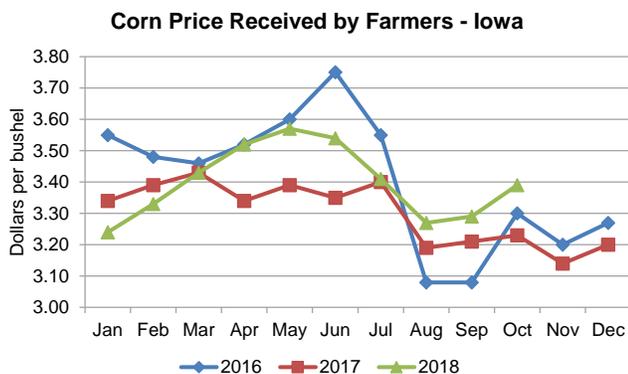
The average price received by farmers for **corn** during October in Iowa was \$3.39 per bushel according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Agricultural Prices* report. This was up \$0.10 from the September price and \$0.16 above a year ago.

The October 2018 average price received by farmers for **soybeans**, at \$8.71 per bushel, was up \$0.27 from the September price but \$0.44 below the October 2017 price.

The October average **oat** price per bushel was \$2.99, up \$0.26 from September and \$0.20 above October 2017.

All hay prices in Iowa averaged \$128.00 per ton in October. This was up \$20.00 from the September price and \$28.00 above the October 2017 price. The October 2018 **alfalfa hay** price averaged \$135.00, up \$26.00 from the previous month and \$29.00 above October 2017. The average price received for **other hay** during October was \$117.00 per ton. This was up \$14.00 from the September price and \$26.00 above the October 2017 price.

The average price for **milk** was \$17.90 per cwt, up \$0.50 from the September price but \$0.70 below one year ago.



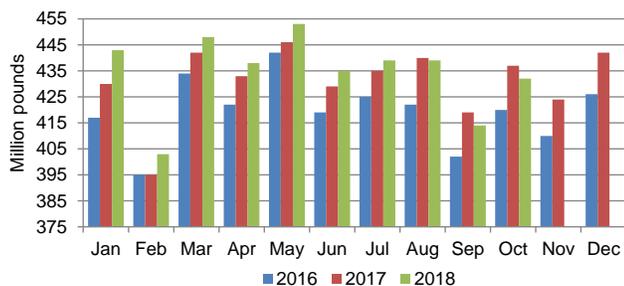
Prices Received by Farmers – Iowa and United States

	Iowa			United States		
	October 2017	September 2018	October 2018	October 2017	September 2018	October 2018
	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)
Cornbu	3.23	3.29	3.39	3.26	3.39	3.41
Hay, all, baledton	100.00	108.00	128.00	141.00	163.00	162.00
Alfalfaton	106.00	109.00	135.00	153.00	180.00	178.00
Otherton	91.00	103.00	117.00	120.00	130.00	132.00
Oatsbu	2.79	2.73	2.99	2.55	2.62	2.68
Soybeansbu	9.15	8.44	8.71	9.18	8.77	8.58
Milk, allcwt	18.60	17.40	17.90	18.10	16.70	17.40

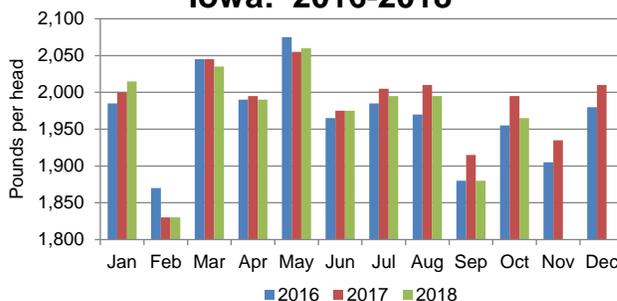
MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production in Iowa during October 2018 totaled 432 million pounds, down 1 percent from the previous October according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during October, at 220,000 head, was unchanged from last month but 1,000 more than last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,965 pounds, down 30 pounds from last October.

**Milk Production
Iowa: 2016-2018**



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



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: October 2017 and 2018

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	Change from 2017
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	205	204	1,910	1,905	392	389	-0.8
California	1,743	1,733	1,870	1,940	3,259	3,362	3.2
Colorado	163	179	2,175	2,185	355	391	10.1
Florida	124	118	1,460	1,450	181	171	-5.5
Idaho	600	607	2,045	2,065	1,227	1,253	2.1
Illinois	93	90	1,680	1,660	156	149	-4.5
Indiana	187	182	1,910	1,870	357	340	-4.8
Iowa	219	220	1,995	1,965	437	432	-1.1
Kansas	152	161	1,935	1,940	294	312	6.1
Michigan	428	422	2,185	2,195	935	926	-1.0
Minnesota	457	451	1,790	1,805	818	814	-0.5
New Mexico	329	327	2,000	2,015	658	659	0.2
New York	624	621	1,980	2,010	1,236	1,248	1.0
Ohio	264	254	1,745	1,740	461	442	-4.1
Oregon	123	122	1,700	1,715	209	209	0.0
Pennsylvania	525	516	1,700	1,665	893	859	-3.8
South Dakota	117	121	1,870	1,885	219	228	4.1
Texas	515	539	1,890	1,940	973	1,046	7.5
Utah	97	100	1,930	1,935	187	194	3.7
Vermont	128	126	1,765	1,760	226	222	-1.8
Virginia	87	80	1,630	1,590	142	127	-10.6
Washington	274	277	1,995	2,025	547	561	2.6
Wisconsin	1,277	1,273	1,995	1,995	2,548	2,540	-0.3
23-State Total	8,731	8,723	1,914	1,934	16,710	16,874	1.0

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² 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 700,000 head on November 1, 2018, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was up 1 percent from both October 1, 2018 and November 1, 2017. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 405,000 head on feed, up 1 percent from last month but down 17 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,105,000 head, up 1 percent from last month but down 6 percent from last year.

Placements of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during October totaled 107,000 head, up 20 percent from last month but down 25 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 52,000 head, up 93 percent from last month but down 55 percent from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 159,000 head, up 37 percent from last month but down 38 percent from last year.

Marketings of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during October totaled 93,000 head, up 24 percent from last month but down 6 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 45,000 head, down 10 percent from last month and down 36 percent from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 138,000 head, up 10 percent from last month but down 18 percent from last year. Other disappearance from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 6,000 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)	(1,000 head)
Cattle on feed ¹ , October 1, 2018	690	400	1,090
October placements	107	52	159
October marketings	93	45	138
October other disappearance ²	4	2	6
Cattle on feed, November 1, 2018	700	405	1,105

¹ Cattle and calves 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.

² 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 ¹ November 1			Placements during October			Marketings during October			Other disappearance ² during October		
	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.....	252	287	114	25	23	92	20	30	150	1	1	100
California.....	440	520	118	63	61	97	49	56	114	4	5	125
Colorado	980	1,020	104	195	195	100	150	150	100	5	5	100
Idaho.....	255	270	106	58	57	98	46	45	98	2	2	100
Iowa.....	690	700	101	142	107	75	99	93	94	3	4	133
Kansas.....	2,290	2,360	103	430	405	94	375	395	105	15	20	133
Minnesota	150	150	100	43	39	91	12	18	150	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,520	2,590	103	680	650	96	435	480	110	15	10	67
Oklahoma	320	325	102	59	54	92	57	52	91	2	2	100
South Dakota ...	260	240	92	87	74	85	45	48	107	2	1	50
Texas.....	2,640	2,680	102	505	465	92	445	430	97	20	15	75
Washington.....	210	230	110	50	51	102	38	40	105	2	1	50
Other States.....	325	320	98	56	67	120	30	50	167	1	2	200
United States ...	11,332	11,692	103	2,393	2,248	94	1,801	1,887	105	73	69	95

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