



Iowa Ag News – Milk Production

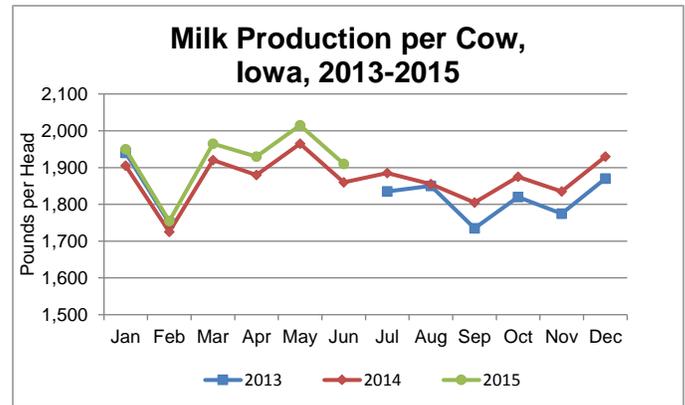
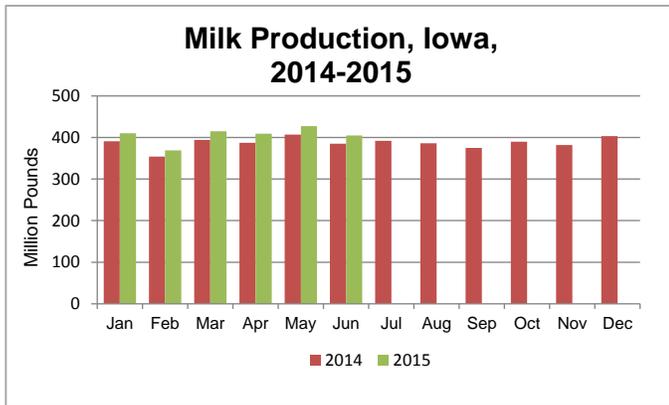
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Milk production in Iowa during June 2015 totaled 405 million pounds, up 5 percent from June 2014 according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. This is the highest June milk production for Iowa since 1972 when there were 455,000 milk cows in the state and monthly milk per cow was 915 pounds. The average number of milk cows during June, at 212,000 head, was unchanged from last month but 5,000 more than a year ago. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,910 pounds, up 50 pounds from last June.



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: June 2014 and 2015

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	Change from 2014
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	193	195	2,065	2,085	399	407	2.0
California	1,779	1,778	1,995	1,910	3,549	3,396	-4.3
Colorado	145	145	2,105	2,160	305	313	2.6
Florida	123	125	1,770	1,785	218	223	2.3
Idaho	577	586	2,065	2,055	1,192	1,204	1.0
Illinois	94	94	1,640	1,680	154	158	2.6
Indiana	178	181	1,840	1,860	328	337	2.7
Iowa	207	212	1,860	1,910	385	405	5.2
Kansas	142	143	1,830	1,835	260	262	0.8
Michigan	387	408	2,085	2,120	807	865	7.2
Minnesota	460	460	1,645	1,715	757	789	4.2
New Mexico	323	323	2,130	2,035	688	657	-4.5
New York	615	618	1,885	1,930	1,159	1,193	2.9
Ohio	266	266	1,720	1,710	458	455	-0.7
Oregon	125	123	1,735	1,705	217	210	-3.2
Pennsylvania	530	530	1,665	1,715	882	909	3.1
South Dakota	97	106	1,805	1,850	175	196	12.0
Texas	468	462	1,850	1,835	866	848	-2.1
Utah	95	96	1,945	1,990	185	191	3.2
Vermont	131	132	1,720	1,710	225	226	0.4
Virginia	93	91	1,570	1,620	146	147	0.7
Washington	274	276	2,050	2,030	562	560	-0.4
Wisconsin	1,270	1,278	1,830	1,880	2,324	2,403	3.4
23-State Total	8,572	8,628	1,895	1,895	16,241	16,354	0.7

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 23 major States during June totaled 16.4 billion pounds, up 0.7 percent from June 2014. May revised production at 17.2 billion pounds, was up 1.5 percent from May 2014. The May revision represented an increase of 12 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,895 pounds for June, no change from the record high of June 2014. The 23 State series began in 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.63 million head, 56,000 head more than June 2014, but 2,000 head fewer than May 2015.

Milk production in the United States during the April - June quarter totaled 53.6 billion pounds, up 1.4 percent from the April - June quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.32 million head, 14,000 head more than the January - March quarter, and 66,000 head more than the same period last year.

