



Iowa Ag News – Milk Production

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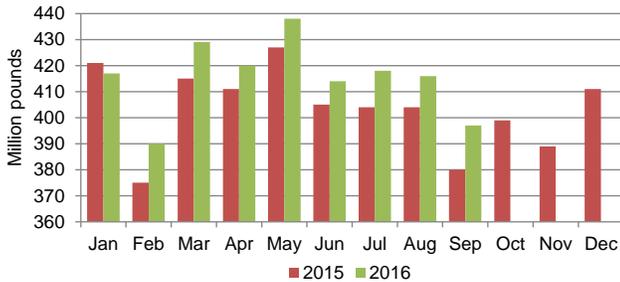
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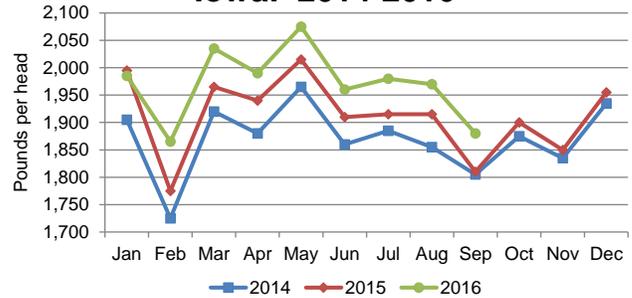
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Milk production in Iowa during September 2016 totaled 397 million pounds, up 4 percent from the previous September according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during September, at 211,000 head, was the same as last month, but 1,000 more than last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,880 pounds, up 70 pounds from last September.

**Milk Production
Iowa: 2015-2016**



**Milk Production per Cow
Iowa: 2014-2016**



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: September 2015 and 2016

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		Change from 2015
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	195	198	1,795	1,790	350	354	1.1
California	1,777	1,766	1,785	1,795	3,172	3,170	-0.1
Colorado	145	152	2,145	2,140	311	325	4.5
Florida	125	120	1,450	1,465	181	176	-2.8
Idaho	587	599	1,995	2,050	1,171	1,228	4.9
Illinois	94	93	1,520	1,530	143	142	-0.7
Indiana	183	184	1,780	1,805	326	332	1.8
Iowa	210	211	1,810	1,880	380	397	4.5
Kansas	143	146	1,760	1,835	252	268	6.3
Michigan	410	422	2,015	2,070	826	874	5.8
Minnesota	460	461	1,635	1,670	752	770	2.4
New Mexico	323	318	1,960	1,965	633	625	-1.3
New York	620	620	1,860	1,950	1,153	1,209	4.9
Ohio	266	264	1,660	1,675	442	442	0.0
Oregon	125	125	1,685	1,680	211	210	-0.5
Pennsylvania	530	527	1,615	1,645	856	867	1.3
South Dakota	108	115	1,825	1,800	197	207	5.1
Texas	462	488	1,785	1,780	825	869	5.3
Utah	96	92	1,875	1,890	180	174	-3.3
Vermont	131	130	1,625	1,690	213	220	3.3
Virginia	90	89	1,545	1,510	139	134	-3.6
Washington	277	275	1,935	1,975	536	543	1.3
Wisconsin	1,279	1,277	1,845	1,910	2,360	2,439	3.3
23-State Total	8,636	8,672	1,807	1,842	15,609	15,975	2.3

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 September totaled 16.0 billion pounds, up 2.3 percent from September 2015. August revised production at 16.7 billion pounds, was up 1.9 percent from August 2015. The August revision represented a decrease of 3 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,842 pounds for September, 35 pounds above September 2015. This is the highest production per cow for the month of September since the 23 State series began in 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.67 million head, 36,000 head more than September 2015, but 2,000 head less than August 2016.

Milk production in the United States during the July - September quarter totaled 52.6 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from the July - September quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.34 million head, 9,000 head more than the April - June quarter, and 21,000 head more than the same period last year.

Monthly Milk Production – 23 Selected States

Million pounds

