



Iowa Ag News – Milk Production

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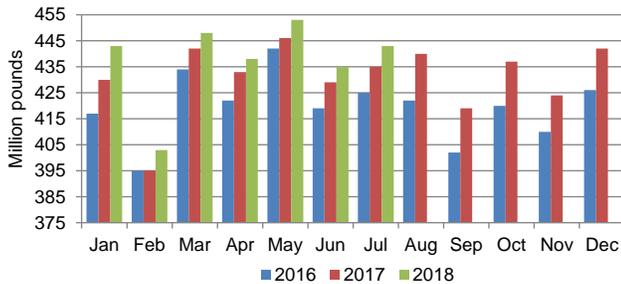
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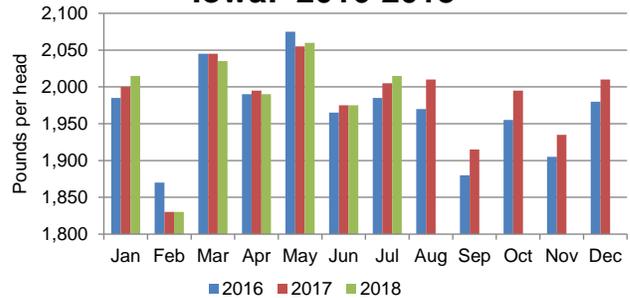
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Milk production in Iowa during July 2018 totaled 443 million pounds, up 2 percent from the previous July according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during July, at 220,000 head, was unchanged from last month but 3,000 more than last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,015 pounds, up 10 pounds from last July.

**Milk Production
Iowa: 2016-2018**



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



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

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		Change from 2017
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	204	206	1,975	1,955	403	403	0.0
California	1,747	1,735	1,930	1,895	3,372	3,288	-2.5
Colorado	160	175	2,255	2,245	361	393	8.9
Florida	124	120	1,645	1,600	204	192	-5.9
Idaho	601	607	2,160	2,155	1,298	1,308	0.8
Illinois	93	93	1,690	1,680	157	156	-0.6
Indiana	187	185	1,870	1,890	350	350	0.0
Iowa	217	220	2,005	2,015	435	443	1.8
Kansas	151	159	1,920	1,960	290	312	7.6
Michigan	427	423	2,255	2,255	963	954	-0.9
Minnesota	458	452	1,835	1,855	840	838	-0.2
New Mexico	332	328	2,125	2,135	706	700	-0.8
New York	624	622	2,045	2,065	1,276	1,284	0.6
Ohio	262	257	1,790	1,820	469	468	-0.2
Oregon	124	121	1,755	1,775	218	215	-1.4
Pennsylvania	525	520	1,730	1,735	908	902	-0.7
South Dakota	118	122	1,905	1,910	225	233	3.6
Texas	515	530	1,990	2,075	1,025	1,100	7.3
Utah	96	100	2,030	2,045	195	205	5.1
Vermont	129	126	1,800	1,785	232	225	-3.0
Virginia	87	83	1,605	1,600	140	133	-5.0
Washington	275	277	2,070	2,090	569	579	1.8
Wisconsin	1,278	1,274	2,025	2,055	2,588	2,618	1.2
23-State Total	8,734	8,735	1,972	1,980	17,224	17,299	0.4

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 July totaled 17.3 billion pounds, up 0.4 percent from July 2017. June revised production, at 17.2 billion pounds, was up 1.6 percent from June 2017. The June revision represented an increase of 40 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,980 pounds for July, 8 pounds above July 2017. This is the highest production per cow for the month of July since the 23 State series began in 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.74 million head, 1,000 head more than July 2017, but 8,000 head less than June 2018.

Milk production in the United States during July totaled 18.4 billion pounds, up 0.4 percent from July 2017.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 1,953 pounds for July, 10 pounds above July 2017.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.40 million head, 8,000 head less than July 2017, and 8,000 head less than June 2018.

Monthly Milk Production – 23 Selected States

Million pounds

