Milk production in Iowa during August 2021 totaled 463 million pounds, up 3% 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 226,000 head, was 2,000 fewer than last month but 8,000 more than August 2020. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,050 pounds, down 20 pounds from last August.
United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 24 major States during August totaled 18.0 billion pounds, up 1.1% from August 2020. July revised production, at 18.3 billion pounds, was up 2.0% from July 2020. The July revision represented a decrease of 18 million pounds or 0.1% from last month’s preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,007 pounds for August, 3 pounds below August 2020.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.97 million head, 112,000 head more than August 2020, but 20,000 head less than July 2021.

August Milk Production in the United States up 1.1%

Milk production in the United States during August totaled 18.8 billion pounds, up 1.1% from August 2020.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 1,987 pounds for August, 1 pound below August 2020.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.48 million head, 106,000 head more than August 2020, but 19,000 head less than July 2021.