



News Release

August Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 935 million pounds of milk during August, up 6.6 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 71.5 pounds, up 2.5 pounds from August 2015. The dairy herd was estimated at 422,000 head for August, up 12,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 16.7 billion pounds, up 1.9 percent from August 2015. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 61.9 pounds in August, 0.8 pounds above August 2015. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.68 million head, 43,000 head more than August 2015, and 15,000 head more than July 2016.

Milk production, August

| Commodity | Michigan | | | 23 Major States | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|------|------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
| Cows1,000 Hd | 394 | 410 | 422 | 8,586 | 8,633 | 8,676 |
| Daily rate per cow.....Pounds | 68.2 | 69.0 | 71.5 | 60.8 | 61.1 | 61.9 |
| ProductionMil lbs | 833 | 877 | 935 | 16,184 | 16,349 | 16,661 |