



# News Release

## February Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 869 million pounds of milk during February, up 1.0 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 73.2 pounds, up 1.2 pounds from February 2018. The dairy herd was estimated at 424,000 head for February, down 3,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 16.0 billion pounds, up 0.6 percent from February 2018. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 65.6 pounds for February, up 0.7 pounds from February 2018. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.72 million head, 47,000 head less than February 2018, but unchanged from January 2019.

### Milk production, February

| Commodity                     | Michigan |      |      | 23 Major States |        |        |
|-------------------------------|----------|------|------|-----------------|--------|--------|
|                               | 2017     | 2018 | 2019 | 2017            | 2018   | 2019   |
| Cows .....1,000 Hd            | 425      | 427  | 424  | 8,710           | 8,770  | 8,723  |
| Daily rate per cow.....Pounds | 72.5     | 72.0 | 73.2 | 64.2            | 64.9   | 65.6   |
| Production .....Mil lbs       | 863      | 860  | 869  | 15,649          | 15,936 | 16,037 |