



# News Release

## August Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 963 million pounds of milk during August, up 1.6 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 73.1 pounds, up 0.8 pounds from August 2018. The dairy herd was estimated at 425,000 head for August, up 2,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during August totaled 17.4 billion pounds, up 0.4 percent from August 2018. July revised production at 17.5 billion pounds, was up 0.4 percent from July 2018. The July revision represented an increase of 38 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,986 pounds for August, 18 pounds above August 2018. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.78 million head, 48,000 head less than August 2018, and 1,000 head less than July 2019.

### Milk Production – Michigan and 24 Selected States: August 2018 and 2019

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
Cows ..... 1,000 Hd	423	425	8,826	8,778
Daily rate per cow ..... Pounds	72.3	73.1	63.5	64.1
Production ..... Mil lbs	948	963	17,372	17,434