



# News Release

## October Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 954 million pounds of milk during October, up 3.0 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 71.9 pounds, up 1.1 pounds from October 2018. The dairy herd was estimated at 428,000 head for October, up 6,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during October totaled 17.3 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from October 2018. September revised production, at 16.8 billion pounds, was up 1.7 percent from September 2018. The September revision represented an increase of 7 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,964 pounds for October, 33 pounds above October 2018. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.81 million head, 1,000 head less than October 2018, but 5,000 head more than September 2019.

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

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
Cows ..... 1,000 Hd	422	428	8,807	8,806
Daily rate per cow ..... Pounds	70.8	71.9	62.3	63.4
Production ..... Mil lbs	926	954	17,005	17,299