



# News Release

## December Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 942 million pounds of milk during December, up 1.2 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 71.1 pounds, unchanged from December 2018. The dairy herd was estimated at 427,000 head for December, up 5,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during December totaled 17.4 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent from December 2018. November revised production, at 16.7 billion pounds, was up 0.9 percent from November 2018. The November revision represented an increase of 4 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,978 pounds for December, 14 pounds above December 2018. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.81 million head, 16,000 head more than December 2018, but unchanged from November 2019.

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

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
Cows ..... 1,000 Hd	422	427	8,798	8,814
Daily rate per cow ..... Pounds	71.1	71.1	63.4	63.8
Production ..... Mil lbs	931	942	17,282	17,435