



Minnesota Ag News – Milk Production

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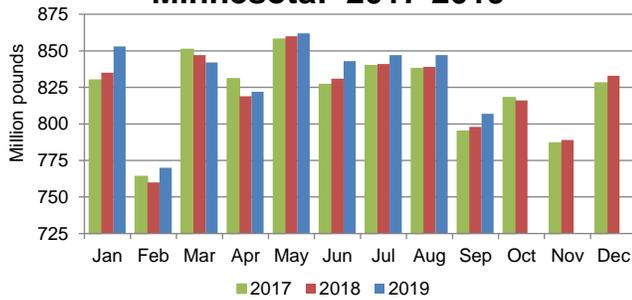
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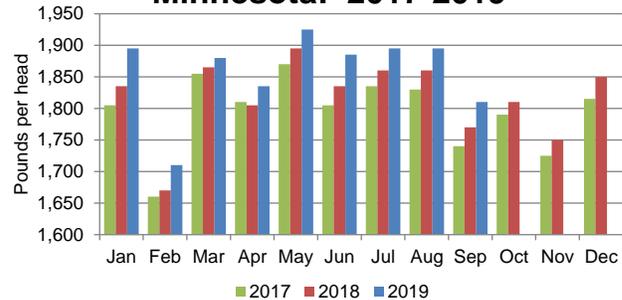
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Milk production in Minnesota during September 2019 totaled 807 million pounds, up 1 percent from the previous September according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during September, at 446,000 head, was down 1,000 from month and down 5,000 from last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,810 pounds, up 40 pounds from last September.

**Milk Production
Minnesota: 2017-2019**



**Milk Production per Cow
Minnesota: 2017-2019**



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: September 2018 and 2019

| State | Milk Cows ¹ | | Milk Per Cow ² | | Milk Production ² | | Change from 2018 |
|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 | 2019 | |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (pounds) | (pounds) | (million pounds) | (million pounds) | (percent) |
| Arizona | 206 | 195 | 1,795 | 1,805 | 370 | 352 | -4.9 |
| California | 1,732 | 1,727 | 1,860 | 1,895 | 3,222 | 3,273 | 1.6 |
| Colorado | 178 | 188 | 2,115 | 2,110 | 376 | 397 | 5.6 |
| Florida | 118 | 116 | 1,380 | 1,415 | 163 | 164 | 0.6 |
| Georgia | 80 | 79 | 1,610 | 1,595 | 129 | 126 | -2.3 |
| Idaho | 610 | 627 | 2,045 | 2,060 | 1,247 | 1,292 | 3.6 |
| Illinois | 88 | 83 | 1,570 | 1,600 | 138 | 133 | -3.6 |
| Indiana | 182 | 175 | 1,770 | 1,800 | 322 | 315 | -2.2 |
| Iowa | 220 | 217 | 1,920 | 1,950 | 422 | 423 | 0.2 |
| Kansas | 160 | 162 | 1,870 | 1,895 | 299 | 307 | 2.7 |
| Michigan | 422 | 428 | 2,115 | 2,165 | 893 | 927 | 3.8 |
| Minnesota..... | 451 | 446 | 1,770 | 1,810 | 798 | 807 | 1.1 |
| New Mexico | 327 | 327 | 2,005 | 2,045 | 656 | 669 | 2.0 |
| New York | 621 | 627 | 1,950 | 1,965 | 1,211 | 1,232 | 1.7 |
| Ohio | 255 | 251 | 1,680 | 1,725 | 428 | 433 | 1.2 |
| Oregon | 122 | 125 | 1,690 | 1,705 | 206 | 213 | 3.4 |
| Pennsylvania | 517 | 485 | 1,610 | 1,650 | 832 | 800 | -3.8 |
| South Dakota..... | 121 | 126 | 1,840 | 1,865 | 223 | 235 | 5.4 |
| Texas | 540 | 570 | 1,925 | 1,995 | 1,040 | 1,137 | 9.3 |
| Utah | 100 | 96 | 1,920 | 1,915 | 192 | 184 | -4.2 |
| Vermont | 126 | 125 | 1,720 | 1,745 | 217 | 218 | 0.5 |
| Virginia | 81 | 73 | 1,520 | 1,560 | 123 | 114 | -7.3 |
| Washington | 277 | 281 | 1,995 | 2,005 | 553 | 563 | 1.8 |
| Wisconsin | 1,273 | 1,267 | 1,965 | 1,985 | 2,501 | 2,515 | 0.6 |
| 24-State Total..... | 8,807 | 8,796 | 1,880 | 1,913 | 16,561 | 16,829 | 1.6 |

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 24 major States during September totaled 16.8 billion pounds, up 1.6 percent from September 2018. August revised production at 17.5 billion pounds, was up 0.5 percent from August 2018. The August revision represented an increase of 32 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,913 pounds for September, 33 pounds above September 2018.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.80 million head, 11,000 head less than September 2018, but 7,000 head more than August 2019.

Milk production in the United States during the July - September quarter totaled 54.3 billion pounds, up 0.5 percent from the July - September quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.32 million head, 10,000 head less than the April - June quarter, and 66,000 head less than the same period last year.

Monthly Milk Production – 24 Selected States

