**Milk production** in Minnesota during May 2020 totaled 846 million pounds, down 2% from the previous May according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during May, at 443,000 head, was down 2,000 from month and down 5,000 from last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,910 pounds, down 15 pounds from last May.

![Graph showing Milk Production and Milk Production per Cow in Minnesota from 2018 to 2020.](image)

### Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: May 2019 and 2020

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1. Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.
2. Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 24 major States during May totaled 18.0 billion pounds, down 1.0 percent from May 2019. April revised production, at 17.8 billion pounds, was up 1.3 percent from April 2019. The April revision represented a decrease of 47 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,031 pounds for May, 32 pounds below May 2019.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.84 million head, 50,000 head more than May 2019, but 12,000 head less than April 2020.

Milk production in the United States during May totaled 18.8 billion pounds, down 1.1 percent from May 2019.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 2,011 pounds for May, 31 pounds below May 2019.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.37 million head, 37,000 head more than May 2019, but 11,000 head less than April 2020.