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## New England 2015 Annual Milk Production Down 0.2 Percent from 2014

Milk production in the New England States declined slightly in 2015 according to Gary Keough, State Statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New England Field Office. Production decreased in Maine, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island. Production increased in Connecticut, while production in New Hampshire and Vermont remained unchanged from 2014.

### State Highlights

**Connecticut** milk production during 2015 was 396 million pounds, 3.4 percent above 2014. Production per cow averaged 20,842 pounds for 2015, 684 pounds above 2014. The average number of milk cows on farms during 2015 was 19 thousand head, unchanged from 2014.

**Maine** milk production during 2015 was 594 million pounds, 0.8 percent below 2014. Production per cow averaged 19,800 pounds for 2015, 167 pounds below 2014. The average number of milk cows on farms during 2015 was 30 thousand head, unchanged from 2014.

**Massachusetts** milk production during 2015 was 217 million pounds, 6.9 percent below 2014. Production per cow averaged 18,083 pounds for 2015, 160 pounds above 2014. The average number of milk cows on farms during 2015 was 12 thousand head, 1,000 head below 2014.

**New Hampshire** milk production during 2015 was 282 million pounds, unchanged from 2014. Production per cow averaged 20,143 pounds for 2015, unchanged from 2014. The average number of milk cows on farms during 2015 was 14 thousand head, unchanged from 2014.

**Rhode Island** milk production during 2015 was 15.9 million pounds, 7.0 percent below 2014. Production per cow averaged 17,667 pounds for 2015, 1,333 pounds below 2014. The average number of milk cows on farms during 2015 was 900 head, unchanged from 2014.

**Vermont** milk production during 2015 was 2.67 billion pounds, unchanged from 2014. Production per cow averaged 20,197 pounds for 2015, unchanged from 2014. The average number of milk cows on farms during 2015 was 132 thousand head, unchanged from 2014.

The complete Annual Milk Production report and all other NASS reports are available online at [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).

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