



News Release

March Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 481 million pounds of milk during March, up 1.1 percent from a year ago, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. The daily rate per cow was 59.2 pounds, up 1.5 pounds from March 2016. The dairy herd was estimated at 262,000 head for March, down 4,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during March totaled 17.5 billion pounds, down 1.8 percent from March 2016. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 64.9 pounds for March, 0.6 pounds above March 2016. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.71 million head, 72,000 head more than March 2016, and 15,000 head more than February 2017.

Milk production, March

Commodity	Ohio			23 Major States		
	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
Cows1,000 Hd	268	266	262	8,622	8,637	8,709
Daily rate per cowPounds	56.3	57.7	59.2	63.3	64.3	64.9
ProductionMil lbs	468	476	481	16,916	17,222	17,524

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