



News Release

December Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 463 million pounds of milk during December, up 0.9 percent from a year ago, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. The daily rate per cow was 56.6 pounds, up 0.1 pound from December 2016. The dairy herd was estimated at 264,000 head for December, up 2,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during December totaled 17.0 billion pounds, up 1.2 percent from December 2016. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 62.7 pounds for December, 0.4 pounds above December 2016. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.74 million head, 54,000 head more than December 2016, and 3,000 more than November 2017.

Milk production, December

Commodity	Ohio			23 Major States		
	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
Cows1,000 Hd	266	262	264	8,632	8,683	8,737
Daily rate per cowPounds	55.5	56.5	56.6	61.1	62.3	62.7
ProductionMil lbs	458	459	463	16,348	16,777	16,974

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