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**U.S. January – March Milk Production up 1.0 Percent**

Milk production in the United States during the January - March quarter totaled 51.1 billion pounds, up 1.0 percent from the January - March quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.22 million head.

**Milk Cows and Production — States and United States: Preliminary January - March 2013 and 2014**

State	Milk cows <sup>1</sup>			Milk production <sup>2</sup>		
	2013 <sup>3</sup>	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Alabama .....		9.0		33.0	31.0	94
Florida .....		123.0		642.0	668.0	104
Georgia .....		81.0		414.0	435.0	105
South Carolina..		16.0		72.0	71.0	99
United States ....		9,215.0		50,545.0	51,056.0	101

-Represents zero.

<sup>1</sup>Excludes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup>Excludes milk sucked by calves.

<sup>3</sup>Survey was not conducted in April and July, resulting in no milk cow and milk per cow data for March through June.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Milk Production*, April 2014

For additional information, the full report can be viewed at: <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/MilkProd//2010s/2014/MilkProd-04-21-2014.pdf>

**Million pounds United States Quarterly Milk Production**

