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14 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . Texas milk production totaled 737 million pounds during December, up 14 percent from last year's production. November 2008 production totaled 688 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during December averaged 393,000 head, up 38,000 head from last year and up 3,000 head from the November 2008 number. Production per cow averaged 1,875 pounds during December, 50 pounds more than last year.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 14.6 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from production in these same states in December 2007. November revised production, at 14.0 billion pounds, was up 1.3 percent from November 2007.

Production per cow during December averaged 1,726 pounds, 8 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.48 million head, 90,000 head more than last year and 7,000 head more than November 2008.

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