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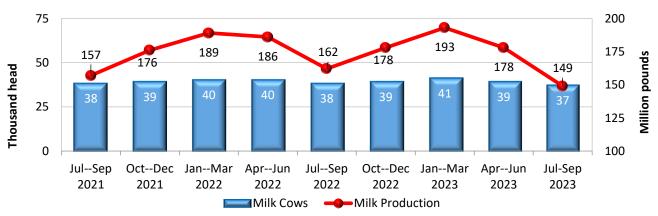
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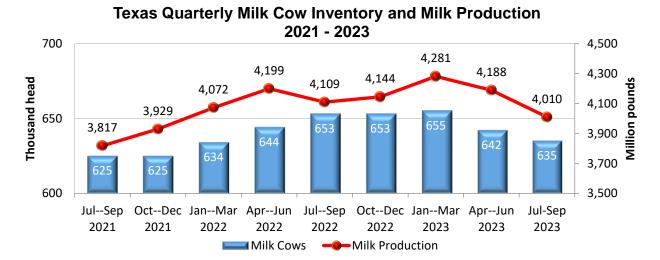
This report contains results from the October 2023 Milk Production Survey collected nationally during the first two weeks of October. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next quarterly survey will be made available on January 26, 2024.

Milk production in **Oklahoma** during the July-September quarter totaled 149 million pounds, down 16 percent from the April-June quarter, and down 8 percent from last year's quarter. The average number of milk cows in **Oklahoma** during the quarter totaled 37,000 head, down 1,000 head from the same quarter in 2022.

Oklahoma Quarterly Milk Cow Inventory and Milk Production 2021 - 2023



Milk production in **Texas** during the July-September quarter totaled 4,010 million pounds, down 4 percent from the April-June quarter, and down 2 percent from last year's quarter. The average number of milk cows in **Texas** during the guarter totaled 635,000 head, down 18,000 head from the same quarter in 2022.



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Milk Cow Inventory and Milk Production: Southern Plains Region and United States, 2022-2023

Quarter	Oklahoma ¹		Texas		United States	
	Cows	Production	Cows	Production	Cows	Production
	1,000 head	million pounds	1,000 head	million pounds	1,000 head	million pounds
Jul-Sep, 2023	37	149	635	4,010	9,375	56,066
Apr-Jun, 2023	39	178	642	4,188	9,416	58,054
Jan-Mar, 2023	41	193	655	4,281	9,427	56,855
Oct-Dec, 2022	39	178	653	4,144	9,404	55,897
Jul-Sep, 2022	38	162	653	4,109	9,408	56,438

¹ Current quarter is a preliminary estimate.

Milk production in the **United States** during the July-September quarter totaled 56.1 billion pounds, down 0.7 percent from the same quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the **United States** during the quarter was 9.38 million head, down 41,000 head from the April-June quarter, and down 33,000 head from the same period last year.