



# Wisconsin Ag News – Milk Production

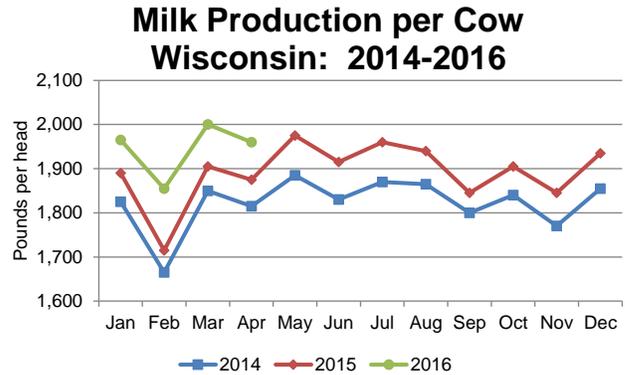
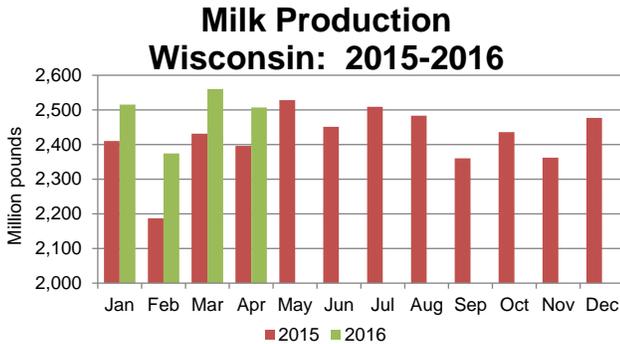
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**Milk production** in Wisconsin during April 2016 totaled 2.51 billion pounds, up 5 percent from the previous April, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during April, at 1.28 million head, was 1,000 fewer than last month, but 1,000 more than a year ago. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,960 pounds, up 85 pounds from last April.



## Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: April 2015 and 2016

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		Change from 2015
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona .....	195	198	2,200	2,190	429	434	1.2
California .....	1,779	1,773	2,025	1,965	3,602	3,484	-3.3
Colorado .....	145	149	2,170	2,155	315	321	1.9
Florida .....	125	124	1,895	1,855	237	230	-3.0
Idaho .....	585	591	2,005	2,025	1,173	1,197	2.0
Illinois .....	95	94	1,760	1,790	167	168	0.6
Indiana .....	181	184	1,875	1,900	339	350	3.2
Iowa .....	212	212	1,940	2,005	411	425	3.4
Kansas .....	144	144	1,945	1,940	280	279	-0.4
Michigan .....	404	417	2,100	2,165	848	903	6.5
Minnesota.....	460	460	1,720	1,765	791	812	2.7
New Mexico .....	323	311	2,105	2,110	680	656	-3.5
New York .....	617	620	1,875	1,965	1,157	1,218	5.3
Ohio .....	268	266	1,730	1,745	464	464	0.0
Oregon .....	125	126	1,735	1,745	217	220	1.4
Pennsylvania .....	530	530	1,745	1,755	925	930	0.5
South Dakota.....	103	114	1,840	1,840	190	210	10.5
Texas .....	462	463	1,940	1,965	896	910	1.6
Utah .....	96	95	1,950	1,945	187	185	-1.1
Vermont .....	131	131	1,695	1,740	222	228	2.7
Virginia .....	92	90	1,680	1,665	155	150	-3.2
Washington .....	277	277	2,020	2,030	560	562	0.4
<b>Wisconsin .....</b>	<b>1,278</b>	<b>1,279</b>	<b>1,875</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>2,396</b>	<b>2,507</b>	<b>4.6</b>
23-State Total.....	8,627	8,648	1,929	1,948	16,641	16,843	1.2

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

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

# United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 23 major States during April totaled 16.8 billion pounds, up 1.2 percent from April 2015. March revised production, at 17.2 billion pounds, was up 1.8 percent from March 2015. The March revision represented an increase of 7 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,948 pounds for April, 19 pounds above April 2015. This is the highest production per cow for the month of April since the 23 State series began in 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.65 million head, 21,000 head more than April 2015, and 4,000 head more than March 2016.

Milk production in the United States during April totaled 18.0 billion pounds, up 1.2 percent from April 2015.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 1,929 pounds for April, 20 pounds above April 2015.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.33 million head, 15,000 head more than April 2015, and 4,000 head more than March 2016.

## Monthly Milk Production – 23 Selected States

