



# Wisconsin Ag News – Milk Production

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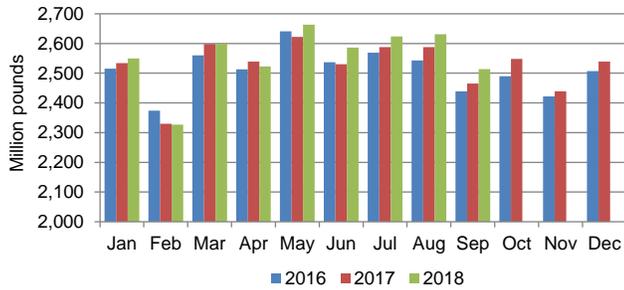
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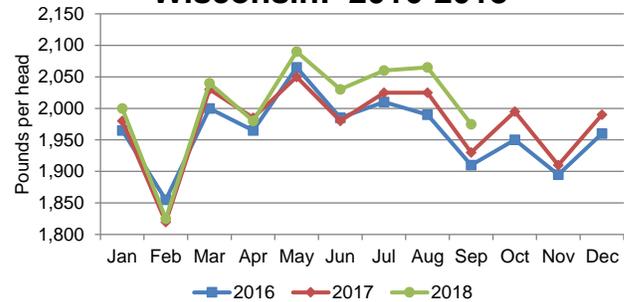
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**Milk production** in Wisconsin during September 2018 totaled 2.51 billion pounds, up 2 percent from the previous September, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during September, at 1.27 million head, was down 1,000 from last month and down 4,000 from last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,975 pounds, up 45 pounds from last September.

**Milk Production  
Wisconsin: 2016-2018**



**Milk Production per Cow  
Wisconsin: 2016-2018**



## Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: September 2017 and 2018

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		Change from 2017
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona .....	205	204	1,820	1,800	373	367	-1.6
California .....	1,745	1,734	1,760	1,855	3,071	3,217	4.8
Colorado .....	162	176	2,135	2,135	346	376	8.7
Florida .....	123	118	1,400	1,330	172	157	-8.7
Idaho .....	603	607	2,025	2,045	1,221	1,241	1.6
Illinois .....	93	90	1,600	1,540	149	139	-6.7
Indiana .....	187	183	1,820	1,760	340	322	-5.3
Iowa .....	219	220	1,915	1,895	419	417	-0.5
Kansas .....	152	160	1,880	1,870	286	299	4.5
Michigan .....	428	422	2,100	2,085	899	880	-2.1
Minnesota.....	457	451	1,740	1,790	795	807	1.5
New Mexico .....	331	327	1,965	2,005	650	656	0.9
New York .....	624	621	1,925	1,950	1,201	1,211	0.8
Ohio .....	264	255	1,710	1,660	451	423	-6.2
Oregon .....	123	122	1,675	1,690	206	206	0.0
Pennsylvania .....	525	517	1,655	1,610	869	832	-4.3
South Dakota.....	118	121	1,820	1,825	215	221	2.8
Texas .....	515	539	1,855	1,930	955	1,040	8.9
Utah .....	97	99	1,910	1,920	185	190	2.7
Vermont .....	128	126	1,710	1,720	219	217	-0.9
Virginia .....	87	82	1,580	1,505	137	123	-10.2
Washington .....	274	277	1,965	1,985	538	550	2.2
<b>Wisconsin .....</b>	<b>1,277</b>	<b>1,273</b>	<b>1,930</b>	<b>1,975</b>	<b>2,465</b>	<b>2,514</b>	<b>2.0</b>
23-State Total.....	8,737	8,724	1,850	1,880	16,162	16,405	1.5

<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 September totaled 16.4 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from September 2017. August revised production at 17.2 billion pounds, was up 1.3 percent from August 2017. The August revision represented a decrease of 10 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,880 pounds for September, 30 pounds above September 2017. This is the highest production per cow for the month of September since the 23 State series began in 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.72 million head, 13,000 head less than September 2017, and 12,000 head less than August 2018.

Milk production in the United States during the July - September quarter totaled 54.0 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent from the July - September quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.38 million head, 27,000 head less than the April - June quarter, and 27,000 head less than the same period last year.

## Monthly Milk Production – 23 Selected States

