## MILK PRODUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

Pasture conditions throughout most of New York were rated good from May through September of 2009. Wet weather keep pastures growing steadily throughout the year. Overall milk production for 2009 was slightly below the 2008 level.

Total milk production in New York during 2009, at 12.4 billion pounds, was down slightly from 2008. The annual average number of milk cows, at 619,000 head, was down 1 percent from the previous year. Annual output per cow averaged 20,071 pounds, up 1 percent from 2008.

Value of sales of New York milk during 2009 totaled $\$ 1.7$ billion, down 3.0 percent from the previous year. The $\$ 13.60$ per hundredweight received for all milk sold by New York farmers was down $\$ 5.60$, or 29 percent, from the $\$ 19.20$ received in 2008. Marketing totals include whole milk and producerseparated cream sold to plants and dealers as well as milk sold directly to consumers.

New York dairymen used 32 million pounds of milk on their farms during 2009, unchanged from the previous year. About 93.7 percent of the milk used on farms was fed back to calves. The value of all milk produced, including milk fed back to calves, totaled $\$ 1.7$ billion, down 29 percent from 2008.

## DAIRY PRODUCTS

There were 112 plants producing one or more dairy products during 2009 in New York, 10 percent of the total plants in the nation. Cheese production, excluding cottage cheese, totaled 728 million pounds in 2009 , up 1.8 percent from 2008. New York ranks fourth in cheese production excluding cottage cheese, behind Wisconsin, California, and Idaho respectively, accounting for 7 percent of national production.

Table 40. MILK COW OPERATIONS: By Herd Size,
New York, 1998-2007 ́/

| Year | Number of milk cows in herd |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $1-29$ | $30-49$ | $50-99$ | $100-199$ | $200-499$ | 500 plus | Total |  |
|  | Number of operations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | 1,600 | 1,800 | 3,500 | 1,300 | 390 | 110 | 8,700 |  |
| 1999 | 1,400 | 1,600 | 3,200 | 1,400 | 480 | 120 | 8,200 |  |
| 2000 | 1,400 | 1,500 | 3,000 | 1,400 | 480 | 120 | 7,900 |  |
| 2001 | 1,300 | 1,300 | 2,800 | 1,300 | 470 | 130 | 7,300 |  |
| 2002 | 1,300 | 1,300 | 2,800 | 1,200 | 450 | 150 | 7,200 |  |
| 2003 | 1,400 | 1,300 | 2,700 | 1,100 | 430 | 170 | 7,100 |  |
| 2004 | 1,400 | 1,300 | 2,600 | 1,000 | 430 | 170 | 6,900 |  |
| 2005 | 1,400 | 1,300 | 2,500 | 890 | 440 | 170 | 6,700 |  |
| 2006 | 1,300 | 1,300 | 2,300 | 920 | 420 | 160 | 6,400 |  |
| 2007 | 1,250 | 1,100 | 1,900 | 870 | 370 | 210 | 5,700 |  |

1/ An operation is any place having one or more head of cattle on hand at any time during the year for 1999-2006. For 2007, an operation is any place having one or more head of cattle on hand December 31, 2007. Annual state level operations discontinued in 2008. Available from the Census of Agriculture every five years starting in 2007.

Table 41. MILK COWS: Percent of Inventory, by Herd Size,, New York, 1998-2007 1/

| Year | $1-29$ | $30-49$ | $50-99$ | $100-199$ | $200-499$ | 500 plus |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\frac{\text { Percent }}{}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1998 | 2.5 | 10.5 | 34.0 | 26.0 | 15.0 | 12.0 |
| 1999 | 2.0 | 10.0 | 31.0 | 27.0 | 17.0 | 13.0 |
| 2000 | 2.0 | 9.0 | 29.0 | 28.0 | 18.0 | 14.0 |
| 2001 | 2.0 | 7.5 | 28.5 | 26.5 | 18.5 | 17.0 |
| 2002 | 2.0 | 7.5 | 28.0 | 24.0 | 18.5 | 20.0 |
| 2003 | 2.0 | 7.5 | 27.5 | 22.0 | 18.5 | 22.5 |
| 2004 | 2.0 | 7.5 | 27.0 | 20.5 | 19.0 | 24.0 |
| 2005 | 2.0 | 7.5 | 25.5 | 18.5 | 20.5 | 26.0 |
| 2006 | 2.5 | 8.0 | 23.5 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 26.0 |
| 2007 | 2.0 | 7.0 | 20.0 | 19.0 | 18.0 | 34.0 |

1/ An operation is any place having one or more head of cattle on hand at any time during the year for 1999-2006. For 2007, an operation is any place having one or more head of cattle on hand December 31, 2007. Annual state level inventory by size group discontinued in 2008. Available from the Census of Agriculture every five years starting in 2007.

Italian cheese production of 381 million pounds, which accounted for 52 percent of New York's total cheese output, decreased 1.1 percent from 2008. New York ranks third in the nation in production of Italian cheese. New York continues to lead the nation in production of all three cottage cheese categories. Creamed cottage cheese production increased 24 percent from 2008, cottage cheese curd increased 16 percent, and low-fat cottage cheese increased 7 percent from the previous year. New York output accounted for 31 percent of all lowfat cottage cheese produced nationally in 2009. Yogurt production increased 12 percent to 252 million pounds. New York production of standard ice cream totaled 31 million gallons, down 2 percent from 2008. Low-fat ice cream production of 6 million gallons was up 2 percent from 2008. Production of milk sherbet decreased 6 percent, while water ice production decreased 27 percent.

Table 42. MILK: Cows and Production, by Months, New York, 2000 to Date

| Year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MILK COWS ON FARMS (Thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2000 | 700 | 700 | 698 | 695 | 690 | 688 | 685 | 682 | 678 | 674 | 673 | 670 |
| 2001 | 670 | 670 | 670 | 670 | 670 | 673 | 673 | 673 | 673 | 673 | 674 | 675 |
| 2002 | 674 | 672 | 675 | 680 | 680 | 680 | 678 | 673 | 672 | 672 | 673 | 675 |
| 2003 | 675 | 677 | 680 | 679 | 677 | 675 | 673 | 671 | 668 | 665 | 660 | 657 |
| 2004 | 658 | 660 | 660 | 658 | 655 | 656 | 656 | 654 | 654 | 653 | 651 | 650 |
| 2005 | 650 | 650 | 648 | 646 | 646 | 647 | 647 | 647 | 649 | 650 | 648 | 650 |
| 2006 | 647 | 645 | 645 | 644 | 643 | 640 | 638 | 634 | 631 | 630 | 626 | 628 |
| 2007 | 628 | 628 | 628 | 627 | 626 | 626 | 626 | 625 | 626 | 626 | 626 | 626 |
| 2008 | 626 | 626 | 626 | 626 | 626 | 626 | 626 | 626 | 626 | 625 | 624 | 625 |
| 2009 | 624 | 623 | 623 | 623 | 623 | 623 | 621 | 618 | 617 | 614 | 611 | 610 |
| 2010 | 610 | 610 | 610 | 610 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MILK PRODUCTION PER COW (Pounds) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2000 | 1,460 | 1,380 | 1,510 | 1,470 | 1,530 | 1,460 | 1,490 | 1,470 | 1,400 | 1,430 | 1,360 | 1,410 |
| 2001 | 1,460 | 1,315 | 1,480 | 1,450 | 1,540 | 1,485 | 1,510 | 1,470 | 1,425 | 1,460 | 1,425 | 1,510 |
| 2002 | 1,530 | 1,405 | 1,565 | 1,520 | 1,605 | 1,535 | 1,540 | 1,510 | 1,465 | 1,495 | 1,420 | 1,500 |
| 2003 | 1,515 | 1,400 | 1,540 | 1,505 | 1,570 | 1,500 | 1,515 | 1,475 | 1,430 | 1,455 | 1,410 | 1,480 |
| 2004 | 1,490 | 1,400 | 1,510 | 1,500 | 1,580 | 1,490 | 1,520 | 1,500 | 1,420 | 1,470 | 1,410 | 1,485 |
| 2005 | 1,535 | 1,415 | 1,570 | 1,565 | 1,665 | 1,590 | 1,600 | 1,600 | 1,515 | 1,550 | 1,485 | 1,545 |
| 2006 | 1,595 | 1,475 | 1,630 | 1,590 | 1,660 | 1,595 | 1,605 | 1,580 | 1,515 | 1,550 | 1,515 | 1,580 |
| 2007 | 1,610 | 1,480 | 1,630 | 1,605 | 1,690 | 1,620 | 1,650 | 1,640 | 1,570 | 1,630 | 1,575 | 1,620 |
| 2008 | 1,660 | 1,590 | 1,690 | 1,670 | 1,770 | 1,680 | 1,690 | 1,690 | 1,590 | 1,620 | 1,580 | 1,640 |
| 2009 | 1,670 | 1,540 | 1,700 | 1,670 | 1,820 | 1,700 | 1,735 | 1,690 | 1,620 | 1,640 | 1,605 | 1,675 |
| 2010 | 1,700 | 1,560 | 1,755 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL MILK PRODUCTION (Million pounds) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2000 | 1,022 | 966 | 1,054 | 1,022 | 1,056 | 1,004 | 1,021 | 1,003 | 949 | 964 | 915 | 945 |
| 2001 | 978 | 881 | 992 | 972 | 1,032 | 999 | 1,016 | 989 | 959 | 983 | 960 | 1,019 |
| 2002 | 1,031 | 944 | 1,056 | 1,034 | 1,091 | 1,044 | 1,044 | 1,016 | 984 | 1,005 | 956 | 1,013 |
| 2003 | 1,023 | 948 | 1,047 | 1,022 | 1,063 | 1,013 | 1,020 | 990 | 955 | 968 | 931 | 972 |
| 2004 | 980 | 924 | 997 | 987 | 1,035 | 977 | 997 | 981 | 929 | 960 | 918 | 965 |
| 2005 | 998 | 920 | 1,017 | 1,011 | 1,076 | 1,029 | 1,035 | 1,035 | 983 | 1,008 | 962 | 1,004 |
| 2006 | 1,032 | 951 | 1,051 | 1,024 | 1,067 | 1,021 | 1,024 | 1,002 | 956 | 977 | 948 | 992 |
| 2007 | 1,011 | 933 | 1,024 | 1,006 | 1,058 | 1,014 | 1,033 | 1,025 | 983 | 1,020 | 986 | 1,014 |
| 2008 | 1,039 | 995 | 1,058 | 1,045 | 1,108 | 1,052 | 1,058 | 1,058 | 995 | 1,013 | 986 | 1,025 |
| 2009 | 1,042 | 959 | 1,059 | 1,040 | 1,134 | 1,059 | 1,077 | 1,044 | 1,000 | 1,007 | 981 | 1,022 |
| 2010 | 1,037 | 952 | 1,071 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



Table 43. MILK: Production, Disposition, and Income, New York, 2000-2009

| Year | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Milk } \\ & \text { cows 1/ } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Milk } \\ \text { per } \\ \text { cow } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { milk } \\ \text { production } \end{gathered}$ | Disposition of milk produced |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prices } \\ \text { received } \underline{2} / \end{gathered}$ | Gross income ${ }^{3 /}$ | Value <br> of milk produced ${ }^{4 /}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Fed } \\ \text { to } \\ \text { calves } \end{gathered}$ | Used for milk, cream and butter | Sold |  |  |  |
|  | 1,000 head | Lbs. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Dollars | Mil. dol. | Mil. dol. |
| 2000 | 686 | 17,378 | 11,921 | 125 | 10 | 11,786 | 13.10 | 1,545.3 | 1,561.7 |
| 2001 | 672 | 17,530 | 11,780 | 80 | 5 | 11,695 | 15.80 | 1,848.6 | 1,861.2 |
| 2002 | 675 | 18,101 | 12,218 | 45 | 2 | 12,180 | 12.80 | 1,558.0 | 1,563.8 |
| 2003 | 671 | 17,812 | 11,952 | 45 | 2 | 11,905 | 13.10 | 1,560.0 | 1,566.0 |
| 2004 | 655 | 17,786 | 11,650 | 40 | 2 | 11,608 | 16.80 | 1,950.1 | 1,957.2 |
| 2005 | 648 | 18,639 | 12,078 | 40 | 2 | 12,036 | 15.90 | 1,914.0 | 1,920.4 |
| 2006 | 638 | 18,879 | 12,045 | 30 | 2 | 12,013 | 13.40 | 1,610.0 | 1,614.0 |
| 2007 | 627 | 19,303 | 12,103 | 30 | 2 | 12,071 | 19.70 | 2,378.4 | 2,384.3 |
| 2008 | 626 | 19,859 | 12,432 | 30 | 2 | 12,400 | 19.20 | 2,381.1 | 2,386.9 |
| 2009 | 619 | 20,071 | 12,424 | 30 | 2 | 12,392 | 13.60 | 1,685.6 | 1,689.7 |

1/ Average number on farms during the year. 2/ Prices received for all milk sold wholesale per cwt.
3/ Includes value of milk used for home consumption. 4/ Includes value of milk fed to calves.

Table 44. MILKFAT: Average Test of Milk Sold by Dairy Farmers, by Months, New York, 2000 to Date

| Year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Avg. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2000 | 3.76 | 3.75 | 3.74 | 3.70 | 3.69 | 3.59 | 3.56 | 3.58 | 3.62 | 3.69 | 3.75 | 3.78 | 3.68 |
| 2001 | 3.74 | 3.72 | 3.72 | 3.69 | 3.61 | 3.56 | 3.53 | 3.52 | 3.60 | 3.69 | 3.73 | 3.71 | 3.65 |
| 2002 | 3.73 | 3.72 | 3.73 | 3.71 | 3.67 | 3.60 | 3.54 | 3.54 | 3.60 | 3.70 | 3.78 | 3.76 | 3.67 |
| 2003 | 3.80 | 3.80 | 3.75 | 3.71 | 3.65 | 3.63 | 3.57 | 3.57 | 3.64 | 3.70 | 3.78 | 3.76 | 3.70 |
| 2004 | 3.74 | 3.72 | 3.69 | 3.65 | 3.58 | 3.53 | 3.54 | 3.56 | 3.58 | 3.71 | 3.75 | 3.73 | 3.65 |
| 2005 | 3.73 | 3.70 | 3.71 | 3.66 | 3.61 | 3.53 | 3.48 | 3.51 | 3.60 | 3.72 | 3.80 | 3.81 | 3.65 |
| 2006 | 3.79 | 3.78 | 3.77 | 3.71 | 3.67 | 3.62 | 3.58 | 3.58 | 3.68 | 3.78 | 3.79 | 3.77 | 3.71 |
| 2007 | 3.76 | 3.79 | 3.76 | 3.72 | 3.63 | 3.58 | 3.57 | 3.58 | 3.63 | 3.70 | 3.80 | 3.84 | 3.70 |
| 2008 | 3.79 | 3.77 | 3.78 | 3.73 | 3.67 | 3.61 | 3.58 | 3.62 | 3.69 | 3.79 | 3.83 | 3.84 | 3.73 |
| 2009 | 3.83 | 3.80 | 3.76 | 3.72 | 3.68 | 3.63 | 3.61 | 3.61 | 3.68 | 3.79 | 3.82 | 3.81 | 3.73 |
| 2010 | 3.78 | 3.77 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

