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March Milk Production in California up 0.7 percent from last March

Milk production during March totaled 3.67 billion pounds, up 0.7 percent from March 2023 and up 8.9 percent February 2024. The number of milk cows on farms in California was 1.71 million head, down 8 thousand from March 2023 and unchanged from February 2024. Production per cow in California averaged 2,145 pounds, up 25 pounds from March 2023 and up 175 pounds from February 2024.

Milk Cows and Production by Month – 24 Selected States: March 2023 and 2024

[May not add due to rounding]

| State | Milk cows ¹ | | Milk per cow ² | | Milk production ² | | Change from 2023 |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| | 2023 | 2024 | 2023 | 2024 | 2023 | 2024 | |
| | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>pounds</i> | <i>pounds</i> | <i>million pounds</i> | <i>million pounds</i> | <i>(percent)</i> |
| Arizona..... | 194 | 193 | 2,270 | 2,275 | 440 | 439 | -0.2 |
| California | 1,717 | 1,709 | 2,120 | 2,145 | 3,640 | 3,666 | 0.7 |
| Colorado | 203 | 201 | 2,230 | 2,230 | 453 | 448 | -1.1 |
| Florida..... | 92 | 97 | 1,900 | 1,870 | 175 | 181 | 3.4 |
| Georgia..... | 92 | 87 | 2,040 | 2,000 | 188 | 174 | -7.4 |
| Idaho..... | 669 | 665 | 2,160 | 2,145 | 1,445 | 1,426 | -1.3 |
| Illinois..... | 79 | 79 | 1,930 | 1,940 | 152 | 153 | 0.7 |
| Indiana..... | 189 | 190 | 2,080 | 2,045 | 393 | 389 | -1.0 |
| Iowa..... | 240 | 242 | 2,130 | 2,150 | 511 | 520 | 1.8 |
| Kansas..... | 180 | 175 | 2,065 | 2,070 | 372 | 362 | -2.7 |
| Michigan..... | 435 | 439 | 2,380 | 2,350 | 1,035 | 1,032 | -0.3 |
| Minnesota..... | 454 | 446 | 1,990 | 1,995 | 903 | 890 | -1.4 |
| New Mexico..... | 281 | 240 | 2,220 | 2,200 | 624 | 528 | -15.4 |
| New York..... | 630 | 630 | 2,170 | 2,165 | 1,367 | 1,364 | -0.2 |
| Ohio..... | 252 | 254 | 1,945 | 1,920 | 490 | 488 | -0.4 |
| Oregon..... | 126 | 116 | 1,820 | 1,795 | 229 | 208 | -9.2 |
| Pennsylvania..... | 466 | 465 | 1,870 | 1,870 | 871 | 870 | -0.1 |
| South Dakota..... | 189 | 210 | 1,940 | 1,945 | 367 | 408 | 11.2 |
| Texas..... | 660 | 642 | 2,280 | 2,225 | 1,505 | 1,428 | -5.1 |
| Utah..... | 90 | 90 | 1,960 | 1,970 | 176 | 177 | 0.6 |
| Vermont..... | 118 | 116 | 1,860 | 1,845 | 219 | 214 | -2.3 |
| Virginia..... | 67 | 67 | 1,865 | 1,840 | 125 | 123 | -1.6 |
| Washington..... | 260 | 258 | 2,080 | 2,080 | 541 | 537 | -0.7 |
| Wisconsin..... | 1,269 | 1,270 | 2,155 | 2,175 | 2,735 | 2,762 | 1.0 |
| 24-State Total..... | 8,952 | 8,881 | 2,118 | 2,115 | 18,956 | 18,787 | -0.9 |

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Milk Cows and Production – Selected States and United States: Preliminary January - March 2023 and 2024

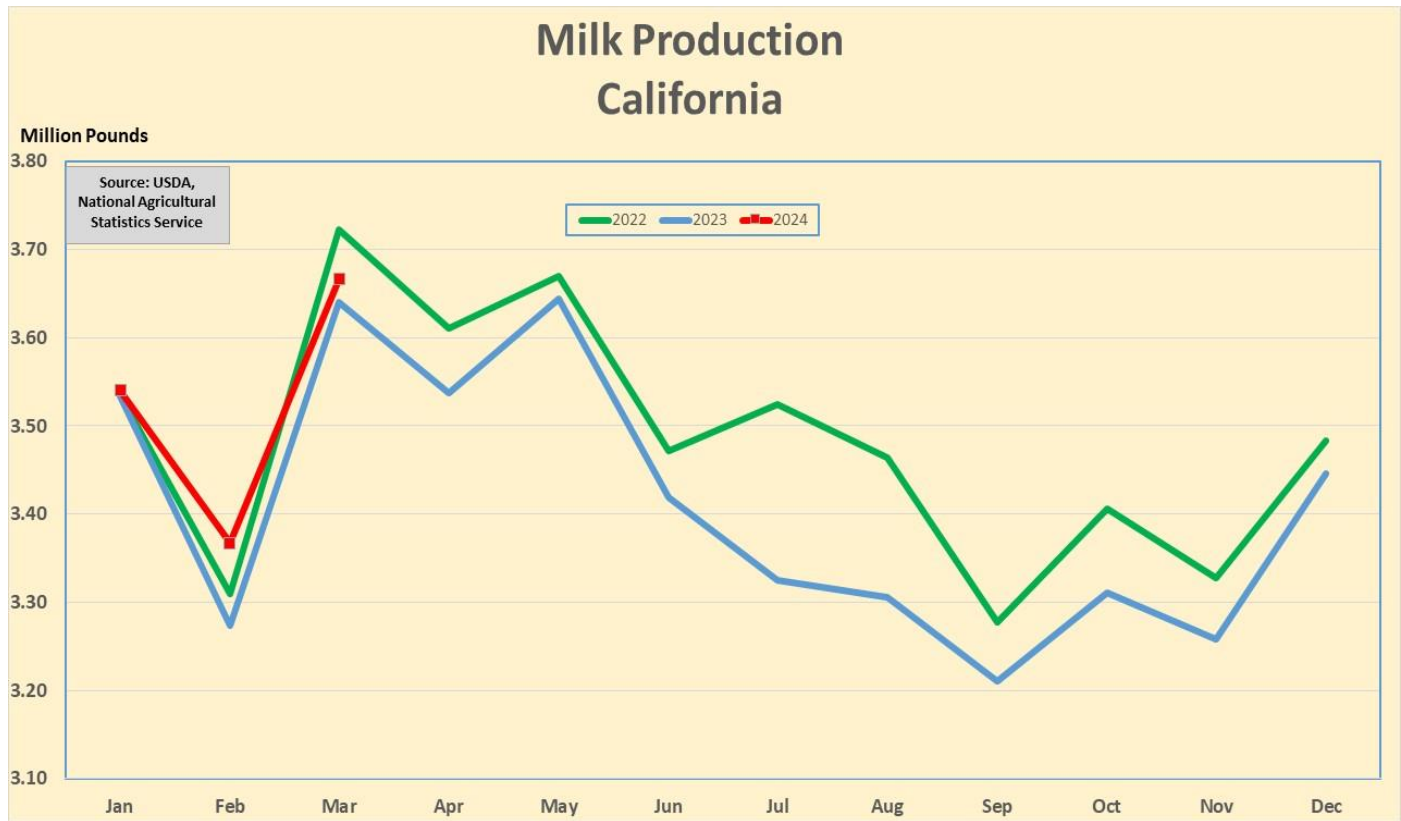
| State | January - March milk cows ¹ | | January - March milk production ² | | Change from 2023 |
|--------------------|--|-------------------|--|-----------------------|------------------|
| | 2023 | 2024 | 2023 | 2024 | |
| | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>1,000 head</i> | <i>million pounds</i> | <i>million pounds</i> | <i>percent</i> |
| California..... | 1,718.0 | 1,709.0 | 10,446.0 | 10,573.0 | 1.2 |
| Hawaii..... | (D) | (D) | (D) | (D) | (NA) |
| Nevada..... | 33.0 | 32.0 | 185.0 | 197.0 | 6.5 |
| United States..... | 9,418.0 | 9,333.0 | 56,837.0 | 56,886.0 | 0.1 |

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(NA) Not available.

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