



# Iowa Ag News – Milk Production

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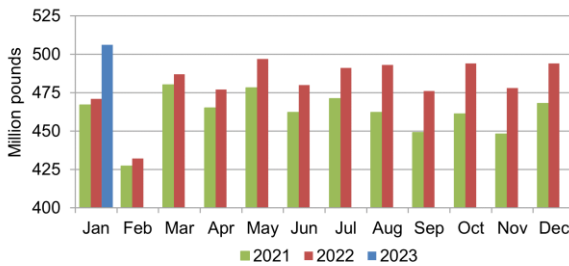
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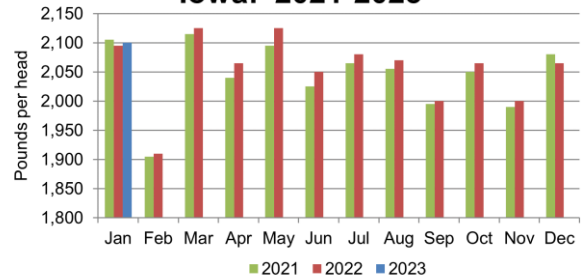
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**Milk production** in Iowa during January 2023 totaled 506 million pounds, up 7 percent from the previous January according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during January, at 241,000 head, was 2,000 above last month and up 16,000 from January 2022. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,100 pounds, up 5 pounds from last January.

**Milk Production  
Iowa: 2021-2023**



**Milk Production per Cow  
Iowa: 2021-2023**



## Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: January 2022 and 2023

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		Change from 2022 (Percent)
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	
Arizona .....	194	195	2,115	2,125	410	414	1.0
California .....	1,720	1,724	2,055	2,050	3,535	3,534	0.0
Colorado .....	202	201	2,205	2,205	445	443	-0.4
Florida .....	103	91	1,800	1,800	185	164	-11.4
Georgia .....	87	92	2,000	2,010	174	185	6.3
Idaho .....	652	664	2,095	2,110	1,366	1,401	2.6
Illinois .....	80	79	1,865	1,850	149	146	-2.0
Indiana .....	186	188	2,015	2,030	375	382	1.9
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>2,095</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>7.4</b>
Kansas .....	169	174	2,050	2,040	346	355	2.6
Michigan .....	430	432	2,285	2,325	983	1,004	2.1
Minnesota .....	456	455	1,935	1,960	882	892	1.1
New Mexico .....	295	282	2,150	2,155	634	608	-4.1
New York .....	620	630	2,090	2,130	1,296	1,342	3.5
Ohio .....	248	251	1,865	1,885	463	473	2.2
Oregon .....	125	123	1,750	1,755	219	216	-1.4
Pennsylvania .....	468	466	1,810	1,820	847	848	0.1
South Dakota .....	170	187	1,940	1,925	330	360	9.1
Texas .....	628	650	2,195	2,230	1,378	1,450	5.2
Utah .....	94	92	1,935	1,935	182	178	-2.2
Vermont .....	119	118	1,815	1,845	216	218	0.9
Virginia .....	71	68	1,760	1,790	125	122	-2.4
Washington .....	261	254	2,020	2,035	527	517	-1.9
Wisconsin .....	1,273	1,270	2,095	2,135	2,667	2,711	1.6
<b>24-State Total .....</b>	<b>8,876</b>	<b>8,927</b>	<b>2,051</b>	<b>2,069</b>	<b>18,205</b>	<b>18,469</b>	<b>1.5</b>

<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 24 major States during January totaled 18.5 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from January 2022. December revised production, at 18.1 billion pounds, was up 0.7 percent from December 2021. The December revision represented a decrease of 32 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,069 pounds for January, 18 pounds above January 2022.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.93 million head, 51,000 head more than January 2022, and 9,000 head more than December 2022.

The annual production of milk for the United States during 2022 was 226 billion pounds, 0.1 percent above 2021. Revisions to 2021 production increased the annual total 35 million pounds. Revised 2022 production was down 158 million pounds from last month's publication. Annual total milk production has increased 12.5 percent from 2013.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 24,087 pounds for 2022, 138 pounds above 2021. The average annual rate of milk production per cow has increased 10.4 percent from 2013.

The average number of milk cows on farms in the United States during 2022 was 9.40 million head, down 0.5 percent from 2021. The average number of milk cows was revised down 2,000 head for 2022. The average annual number of milk cows has increased 1.9 percent from 2013.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at [www.nass.usda.gov/Publications](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications).

## Monthly Milk Production – 24 Selected States

