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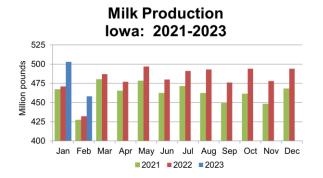
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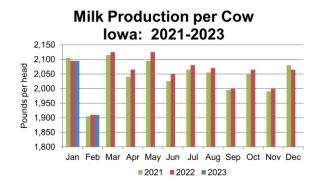
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Milk production in Iowa during February 2023 totaled 458 million pounds, up 6 percent from the previous February according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during February, at 240,000 head, was unchanged from last month but up 14,000 from February 2022. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,910 pounds, unchanged from last February.





Milk Cows and Production - Selected States: February 2022 and 2023

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State	Milk Cows 1		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	Change from 2022
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona	196	194	2,010	2,010	394	390	-1.0
California	1,720	1,723	1,925	1,905	3,311	3,282	-0.9
Colorado	202	200	1,990	1,990	402	398	-1.0
Florida	99	88	1,675	1,675	166	147	-11.4
Georgia	89	94	1,820	1,840	162	173	6.8
Idaho	652	667	1,905	1,925	1,242	1,284	3.4
Illinois	80	79	1,720	1,710	138	135	-2.2
Indiana	187	189	1,830	1,845	342	349	2.0
lowa	226	240	1,910	1,910	432	458	6.0
Kansas	170	176	1,850	1,845	315	325	3.2
Michigan	428	435	2,100	2,130	899	927	3.1
Minnesota	453	455	1,775	1,785	804	812	1.0
New Mexico	292	280	1,955	1,955	571	547	-4.2
New York	620	630	1,915	1,940	1,187	1,222	2.9
Ohio	248	252	1,720	1,730	427	436	2.1
Oregon	127	124	1,620	1,620	206	201	-2.4
Pennsylvania	468	466	1,670	1,675	782	781	-0.1
South Dakota	175	187	1,750	1,740	306	325	6.2
Texas	633	655	1,985	2,025	1,257	1,326	5.5
Utah	94	92	1,770	1,770	166	163	-1.8
Vermont	119	118	1,660	1,665	198	196	-1.0
Virginia	71	68	1,615	1,610	115	109	-5.2
Washington	263	257	1,865	1,865	490	479	-2.2
Wisconsin	1,273	1,270	1,915	1,925	2,438	2,445	0.3
24-State Total	8,885	8,939	1,885	1,892	16,750	16,910	1.0

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 24 major States during February totaled 16.9 billion pounds, up 1.0 percent from February 2022. January revised production, at 18.5 billion pounds, was up 1.5 percent from January 2022. The January revision represented an increase of 5 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,892 pounds for February, 7 pounds above February 2022.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.94 million head, 54,000 head more than February 2022, and 12,000 head more than January 2023.

Milk production in the United States during February totaled 17.7 billion pounds, up 0.8 percent from February 2022.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 1,877 pounds for February, 7 pounds above February 2022.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.42 million head, 37,000 head more than February 2022, and 12,000 head more than January 2023.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States

