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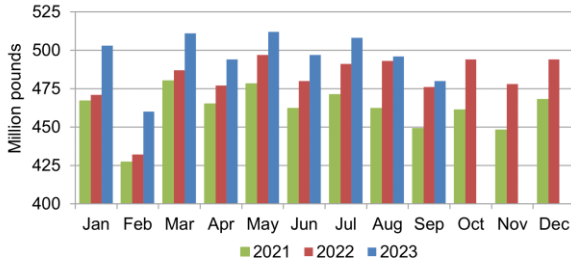
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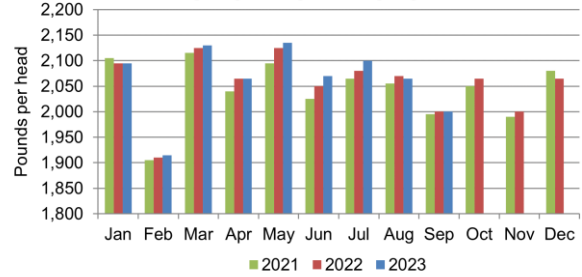
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Milk production in Iowa during September 2023 totaled 480 million pounds, up 1 percent from the previous September according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during September, at 240,000 head, was unchanged from last month but up 2,000 from September 2022. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,000 pounds, unchanged from last September.

**Milk Production
Iowa: 2021-2023**



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



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: September 2022 and 2023

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	195	201	1,790	1,800	349	362	3.7
California	1,723	1,714	1,900	1,875	3,274	3,214	-1.8
Colorado	206	198	2,130	2,130	439	422	-3.9
Florida	93	100	1,430	1,485	133	149	12.0
Georgia	92	94	1,695	1,745	156	164	5.1
Idaho	660	665	2,105	2,075	1,389	1,380	-0.6
Illinois	80	79	1,650	1,660	132	131	-0.8
Indiana	186	191	1,900	1,910	353	365	3.4
Iowa	238	240	2,000	2,000	476	480	0.8
Kansas	175	169	1,955	1,945	342	329	-3.8
Michigan	428	439	2,235	2,240	957	983	2.7
Minnesota	453	450	1,895	1,895	858	853	-0.6
New Mexico	284	265	1,970	1,960	559	519	-7.2
New York	625	630	2,055	2,080	1,284	1,310	2.0
Ohio	250	255	1,770	1,795	443	458	3.4
Oregon	125	120	1,710	1,710	214	205	-4.2
Pennsylvania	468	466	1,680	1,685	786	785	-0.1
South Dakota	185	197	1,920	1,910	355	376	5.9
Texas	655	635	2,050	2,095	1,343	1,330	-1.0
Utah	92	92	1,905	1,905	175	175	0.0
Vermont	117	116	1,770	1,750	207	203	-1.9
Virginia	69	68	1,615	1,660	111	113	1.8
Washington	257	257	2,010	1,990	517	511	-1.2
Wisconsin	1,271	1,270	2,060	2,085	2,618	2,648	1.1
24-State Total	8,927	8,911	1,957	1,960	17,470	17,465	0.0

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 September totaled 17.5 billion pounds, up slightly from September 2022. August revised production, at 18.1 billion pounds, was down 0.7 percent from August 2022. The August revision represented a decrease of 73 million pounds or 0.4 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,960 pounds for September, 3 pounds above September 2022.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.91 million head, 16,000 head less than September 2022, and 2,000 head less than August 2023.

Milk production in the United States during the July - September quarter totaled 56.1 billion pounds, down 0.7 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, 43,000 head less than the April - June quarter, and 33,000 head less than the same period last year.

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

Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States

