



# Iowa Ag News – Milk Production

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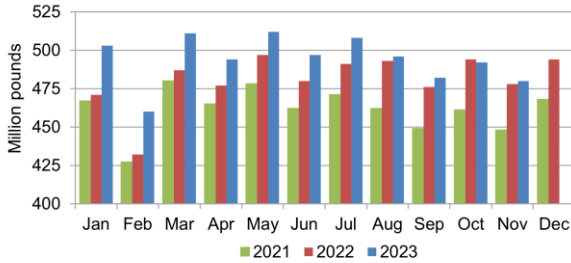
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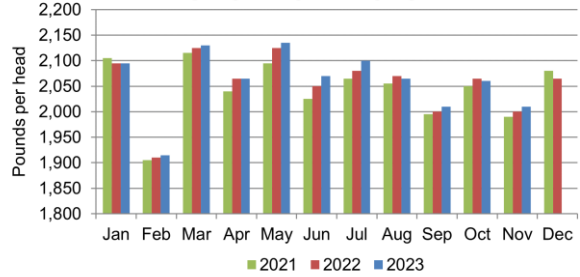
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**Milk production** in Iowa during November 2023 totaled 480 million pounds, up slightly from the previous November according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during November, at 239,000 head, was unchanged from last month and unchanged from November 2022. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,010 pounds, up 10 pounds from last November.

**Milk Production  
Iowa: 2021-2023**



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



**Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: November 2022 and 2023**

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	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	1,965	1,975	383	397	3.7
California .....	1,724	1,713	1,930	1,910	3,327	3,272	-1.7
Colorado .....	203	198	2,105	2,110	427	418	-2.1
Florida .....	92	98	1,575	1,575	145	154	6.2
Georgia .....	92	93	1,760	1,760	162	164	1.2
Idaho .....	661	663	2,000	2,000	1,322	1,326	0.3
Illinois .....	79	79	1,710	1,720	135	136	0.7
Indiana .....	186	190	1,920	1,915	357	364	2.0
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,010</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>0.4</b>
Kansas .....	175	173	1,950	1,945	341	336	-1.5
Michigan .....	431	439	2,220	2,220	957	975	1.9
Minnesota .....	454	451	1,870	1,870	849	843	-0.7
New Mexico .....	282	255	1,960	1,950	553	497	-10.1
New York .....	628	630	2,035	2,040	1,278	1,285	0.5
Ohio .....	250	255	1,790	1,800	448	459	2.5
Oregon .....	123	119	1,670	1,680	205	200	-2.4
Pennsylvania .....	467	466	1,700	1,680	794	783	-1.4
South Dakota .....	185	198	1,860	1,860	344	368	7.0
Texas .....	653	635	2,065	2,075	1,348	1,318	-2.2
Utah .....	92	92	1,850	1,850	170	170	0.0
Vermont .....	118	116	1,755	1,725	207	200	-3.4
Virginia .....	69	69	1,635	1,660	113	115	1.8
Washington .....	255	256	1,920	1,900	490	486	-0.8
Wisconsin .....	1,271	1,270	2,030	2,035	2,580	2,584	0.2
<b>24-State Total .....</b>	<b>8,924</b>	<b>8,898</b>	<b>1,951</b>	<b>1,948</b>	<b>17,413</b>	<b>17,330</b>	<b>-0.5</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 November totaled 17.3 billion pounds, down 0.5 percent from November 2022. October revised production, at 17.9 billion pounds, was down 0.6 percent from October 2022. The October revision represented a decrease of 37 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,948 pounds for November, 3 pounds below November 2022.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.90 million head, 26,000 head less than November 2022, and 9,000 head less than October 2023.

Milk production in the United States during November totaled 18.1 billion pounds, down 0.6 percent from November 2022.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 1,932 pounds for November, 2 pounds below November 2022.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.36 million head, 44,000 head less than November 2022, and 10,000 head less than October 2023.

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

Million pounds

