



Iowa Ag News – Milk Production

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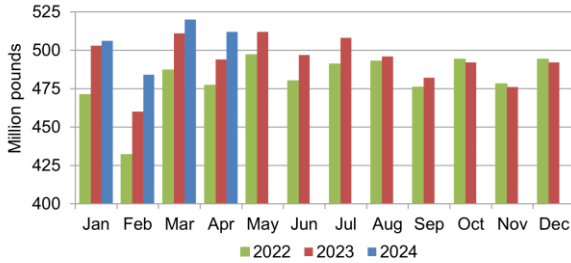
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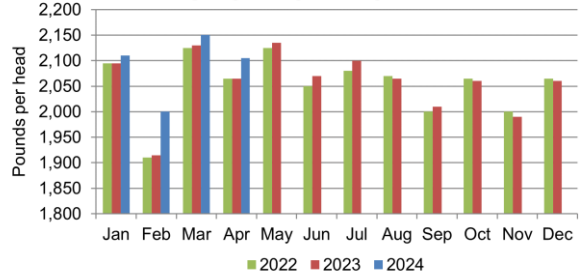
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Milk production in Iowa during April 2024 totaled 512 million pounds, up 4 percent from the previous April according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during April, at 243,000 head, was 1,000 above last month and up 4,000 from April 2023. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,105 pounds, up 40 pounds from last April.

**Milk Production
Iowa: 2022-2024**



**Milk Production per Cow
Iowa: 2022-2024**



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: April 2023 and 2024

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona	196	193	2,185	2,185	428	422	-1.4
California	1,717	1,708	2,060	2,075	3,537	3,544	0.2
Colorado	205	203	2,165	2,175	444	442	-0.5
Florida	92	100	1,805	1,845	166	185	11.4
Georgia	92	85	1,960	1,965	180	167	-7.2
Idaho	669	668	2,105	2,105	1,408	1,406	-0.1
Illinois	79	79	1,860	1,880	147	149	1.4
Indiana	189	190	2,010	2,005	380	381	0.3
Iowa	239	243	2,065	2,105	494	512	3.6
Kansas	180	174	2,000	1,990	360	346	-3.9
Michigan	436	439	2,310	2,305	1,007	1,012	0.5
Minnesota	454	446	1,925	1,955	874	872	-0.2
New Mexico	282	235	2,135	2,120	602	498	-17.3
New York	630	630	2,130	2,130	1,342	1,342	0.0
Ohio	252	255	1,875	1,885	473	481	1.7
Oregon	125	117	1,770	1,770	221	207	-6.3
Pennsylvania	466	465	1,835	1,830	855	851	-0.5
South Dakota	189	212	1,895	1,895	358	402	12.3
Texas	645	640	2,190	2,135	1,413	1,366	-3.3
Utah	90	90	1,930	1,940	174	175	0.6
Vermont	118	115	1,820	1,800	215	207	-3.7
Virginia	67	67	1,800	1,830	121	123	1.7
Washington	261	260	2,035	2,035	531	529	-0.4
Wisconsin	1,268	1,272	2,095	2,140	2,656	2,722	2.5
24-State Total	8,941	8,886	2,056	2,064	18,386	18,341	-0.2

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 April totaled 18.3 billion pounds, down 0.2 percent from April 2023. March revised production, at 18.9 billion pounds, was down 0.5 percent from March 2023. The March revision represented an increase of 78 million pounds or 0.4 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,064 pounds for April, 8 pounds above April 2023.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.89 million head, 55,000 head less than April 2023, and 6,000 head less than March 2024.

Milk production in the United States during April totaled 19.1 billion pounds, down 0.4 percent from April 2023.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 2,049 pounds for April, 9 pounds above April 2023.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.34 million head, 74,000 head less than April 2023, and 8,000 head less than March 2024.

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

Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States

