



# Iowa Ag News – Milk Production

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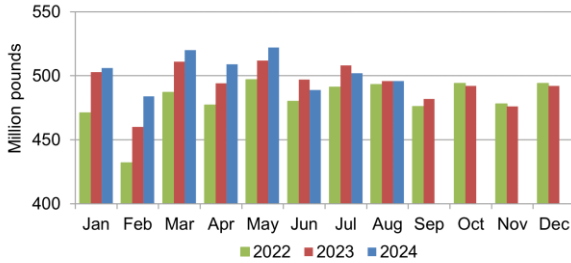
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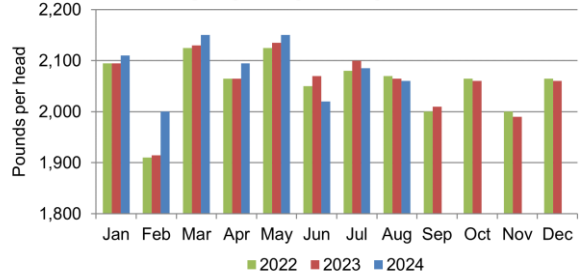
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**Milk production** in Iowa during August 2024 totaled 496 million pounds, unchanged from the previous August according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during August, at 241,000 head, was unchanged from last month but up 1,000 from August 2023. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,060 pounds, down 5 pounds from last August.

**Milk Production  
Iowa: 2022-2024**



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



**Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: August 2023 and 2024**

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona .....	201	189	1,850	1,840	372	348	-6.5
California .....	1,713	1,708	1,930	1,975	3,306	3,373	2.0
Colorado .....	198	200	2,200	2,180	436	436	0.0
Florida .....	99	99	1,605	1,620	159	160	0.6
Georgia .....	90	85	1,735	1,830	156	156	0.0
Idaho .....	666	667	2,175	2,180	1,449	1,454	0.3
Illinois .....	79	77	1,720	1,700	136	131	-3.7
Indiana .....	190	189	1,970	1,985	374	375	0.3
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>2,065</b>	<b>2,060</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Kansas .....	169	178	1,970	1,995	333	355	6.6
Michigan .....	439	436	2,335	2,345	1,025	1,022	-0.3
Minnesota .....	450	442	1,970	1,950	887	862	-2.8
New Mexico .....	270	239	2,005	2,010	541	480	-11.3
New York .....	630	630	2,195	2,170	1,383	1,367	-1.2
Ohio .....	253	252	1,890	1,910	478	481	0.6
Oregon .....	120	118	1,775	1,780	213	210	-1.4
Pennsylvania .....	466	465	1,755	1,725	818	802	-2.0
South Dakota .....	197	213	1,975	1,980	389	422	8.5
Texas .....	635	655	2,110	2,205	1,340	1,444	7.8
Utah .....	90	90	1,980	1,985	178	179	0.6
Vermont .....	117	113	1,845	1,815	216	205	-5.1
Virginia .....	68	66	1,730	1,715	118	113	-4.2
Washington .....	257	260	2,050	2,055	527	534	1.3
Wisconsin .....	1,269	1,266	2,155	2,110	2,735	2,671	-2.3
<b>24-State Total .....</b>	<b>8,906</b>	<b>8,878</b>	<b>2,028</b>	<b>2,036</b>	<b>18,065</b>	<b>18,076</b>	<b>0.1</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 August totaled 18.1 billion pounds, up 0.1 percent from August 2023. July revised production, at 18.2 billion pounds, was down 0.3 percent from July 2023. The July revision represented a decrease of 1 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,036 pounds for August, 8 pounds above August 2023.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.88 million head, 28,000 head less than August 2023, but unchanged from July 2024.

Milk production in the United States during August totaled 18.8 billion pounds, down 0.1 percent from August 2023.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 2,018 pounds for August, 8 pounds above August 2023.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.33 million head, 40,000 head less than August 2023, but unchanged from July 2024.

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**

