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This report contains the results from the **2023 January Milk Production Report**. These data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/la> and in a more detailed report at <https://www.nass.usda.gov>. Thanks to all who responded to this survey.

Milk Production Up 14 Percent from Previous Quarter

Louisiana **milk production** during the October - December 2022 quarter was 25.0 million pounds, down 11 percent from the same period in 2021 but up 14 percent from the July - September quarter. The average number of milk cows on farms during the quarter was 8,000 head, 1,000 head lower than the same period last year but unchanged from the previous quarter.

Milk Production in the United States during the October - December quarter totaled 56.0 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the October - December quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.41 million head, 4,000 head lower than the July - September quarter, but 27,000 head higher than the same period last year.

Milk Cows and Production by Quarter - Louisiana and United States: 2021 and 2022

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Quarter	Louisiana			United States		
	2021	2022	Change from 2021	2021	2022	Change from 2021
Milk cows ¹	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
January - March	10.0	9.0	-10.0	9,466	9,384	-0.9
April - June	9.5	9.0	-5.3	9,503	9,413	-0.9
July - September	9.0	8.0	-11.1	9,442	9,412	-0.3
October - December ...	9.0	8.0	-11.1	9,381	9,408	0.3
Milk production ²	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
January - March	38.0	33.0	-13.2	56,847	56,305	-1.0
April - June	35.0	32.0	-8.6	58,147	57,845	-0.5
July - September	25.0	22.0	-12.0	55,836	56,492	1.2
October - December ...	28.0	25.0	-10.7	55,428	55,978	1.0

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

**Milk Production: Louisiana and United States
October - December, 2012 - 2022**

