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July Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 1.03 billion pounds of milk during July, down 0.9 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Regional Director, USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Production per cow in Michigan averaged 2,355 pounds for July, 5 pounds below July 2023. The dairy herd was estimated at 436,000 head for July, down 3,000 from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during July totaled 18.2 billion pounds, down 0.2 percent from July 2023. June revised production, at 17.9 billion pounds, was down 1.5 percent from June 2023. The June revision represented a decrease of 137 million pounds or 0.8 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,047 pounds for July, 2 pounds above July 2023. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.88 million head, 31,000 head less than July 2023, but 3,000 head more than June 2024.

Milk Production - Michigan and 24 Selected States: July 2023 and 2024

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Cows	439	436	8,909	8,878
Monthly rate per cowPounds	2,360	2,355	2,045	2,047
Production Mil lbs	1,036	1,027	18,216	18,171