



News Release

August Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 1.02 billion pounds of milk during August, down 0.3 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Regional Director, USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Production per cow in Michigan averaged 2,345 pounds for August, 10 pounds above August 2023. The dairy herd was estimated at 436,000 head for August, down 3,000 from a year earlier.

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 – Michigan and 24 Selected States: August 2023 and 2024

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Cows 1,000 Hd	439	436	8,906	8,878
Monthly rate per cow Pounds	2,335	2,345	2,028	2,036
Production Mil lbs	1,025	1,022	18,065	18,076