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November Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 975 million pounds of milk during November, up 0.5 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Regional Director, USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Production per cow in Michigan averaged 2,220 pounds for November, 10 pounds above November 2023. The dairy herd was estimated at 439,000 head for November, unchanged from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during November totaled 17.2 billion pounds, down 0.8 percent from November 2023. October revised production, at 18.0 billion pounds, was up 0.6 percent from October 2023. The October revision represented an increase of 32 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,925 pounds for November, 22 pounds below November 2023. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.92 million head, 32,000 head more than November 2023, but 2,000 head less than October 2024.

Milk Production – Michigan and 24 Selected States: November 2023 and 2024

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Cows	439	439	8,891	8,923
Monthly rate per cowPounds	2,210	2,220	1,947	1,925
Production	970	975	17,311	17,176