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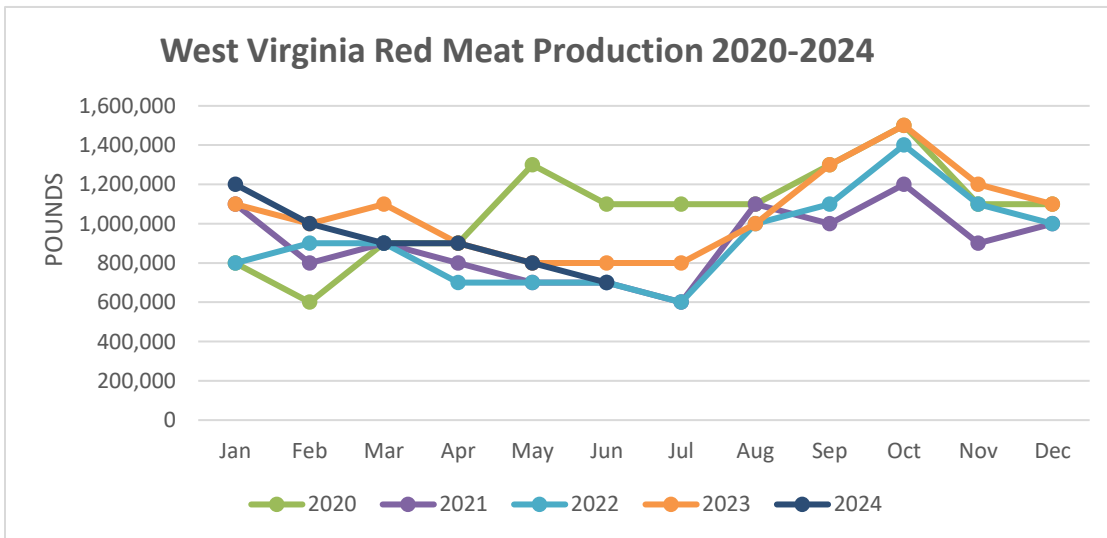
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## RED MEAT PRODUCTION

**Commercial red meat production** in West Virginia during June 2024 totaled 700,000 pounds. This was down 17 percent from June 2023. Commercial red meat production is the carcass weight after slaughter including beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton. Individual commodity production is total live weight of commercial slaughter. **Commercial cattle slaughter** totaled 881,000 pounds live weight, down 18 percent from June 2023. Cattle slaughter totaled 700 head, down 200 head from the previous year. The average live weight was up 42 pounds from the previous year, at 1,245 pounds. **Commercial hog slaughter** totaled 173,000 pounds live weight, down 9 percent from last year. Hog slaughter totaled 600 head, unchanged from the previous year. The average live weight was up 12 pounds from the previous year, at 306 pounds.

**Commercial red meat production** for the United States totaled 4.27 billion pounds in June, down 6 percent from the 4.55 billion pounds produced in June 2023. **Beef production**, at 2.14 billion pounds, was 9 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.54 million head, down 12 percent from June 2023. **Veal production** totaled 3.1 million pounds, 21 percent below June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 15,800 head, down 33 percent from June 2023. **Pork production** totaled 2.12 billion pounds, down 4 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.92 million head, down 5 percent from June 2023. **Lamb and mutton production**, at 10.4 million pounds, was down 6 percent from June 2023. Sheep slaughter totaled 176,700 head, 2 percent below last year.



## GRAIN STOCKS

**Corn** stocks in all positions on June 1, 2024 totaled 4.99 billion bushels, up 22 percent from June 1, 2023. Of the total stocks, 3.03 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 37 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 1.97 billion bushels, are up 4 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2024 indicated disappearance is 3.36 billion bushels, compared with 3.29 billion bushels during the same period last year.

**Soybeans** stored in all positions on June 1, 2024 totaled 970 million bushels, up 22 percent from June 1, 2023. On-farm stocks totaled 466 million bushels, up 44 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 504 million bushels, are up 6 percent from a year ago. Indicated disappearance for the March - May 2024 quarter totaled 875 million bushels, down 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Old crop all wheat** stored in all positions on June 1, 2024 totaled 702 million bushels, up 23 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 139 million bushels, up 12 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 563 million bushels, are up 27 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2024 indicated disappearance is 387 million bushels, up 4 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Old crop Durum wheat** stocks in all positions on June 1, 2024 totaled 21.1 million bushels, down 24 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 9.99 million bushels, are down 22 percent from June 1, 2023. Off-farm stocks totaled 11.1 million bushels, down 26 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2024 indicated disappearance of 15.3 million bushels is up 90 percent from the same period a year earlier.

## SECOND QUARTER MILK PRODUCTION

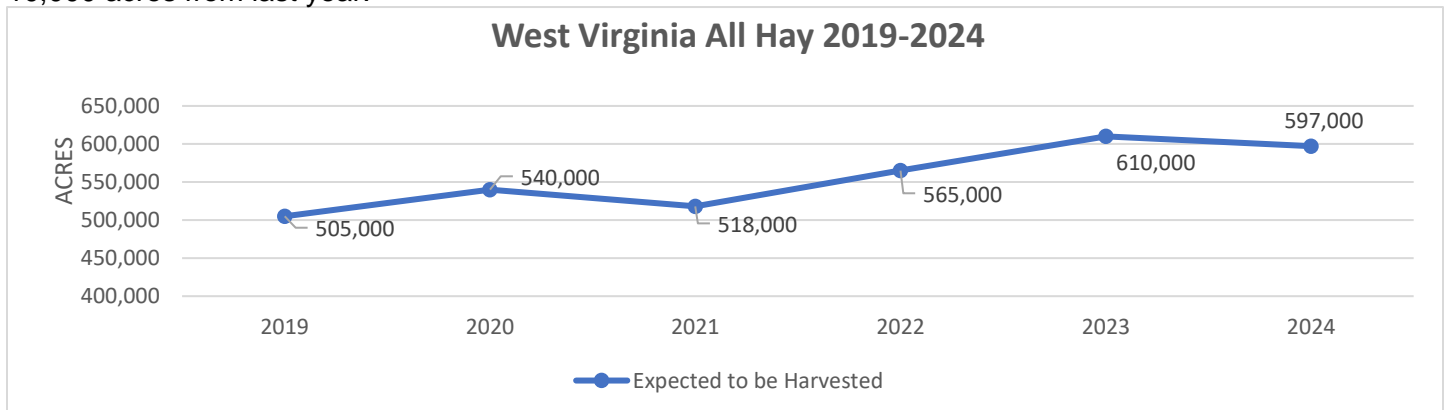
**Milk production** in West Virginia totaled 15 million pounds or 1.74 million gallons during the April - June quarter of 2024. This is down 2 million pounds from the same period in 2023, but unchanged from the January - March 2024 quarter. The number of dairy cows averaged 4,000 head, down 500 head from the same period in 2023, but unchanged from the previous quarter.

Milk Production: April-June							
State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>3</sup>		Percent Change
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	
	<i>Thousand Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		
Kentucky	45.0	43.0	5,422	5,302	244.0	228.0	-7
North Carolina	38.0	38.0	6,026	6,000	229.0	228.0	0
Tennessee	25.0	24.0	4,760	4,750	119.0	114.0	-4
Virginia	67.0	67.0	5,403	5,313	362.0	356.0	-2
<b>West Virginia</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>3,778</b>	<b>3,750</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>-12</b>
United States	9,410.0	9,334.0	6,164	6,162	58,004.0	57,517.0	-1

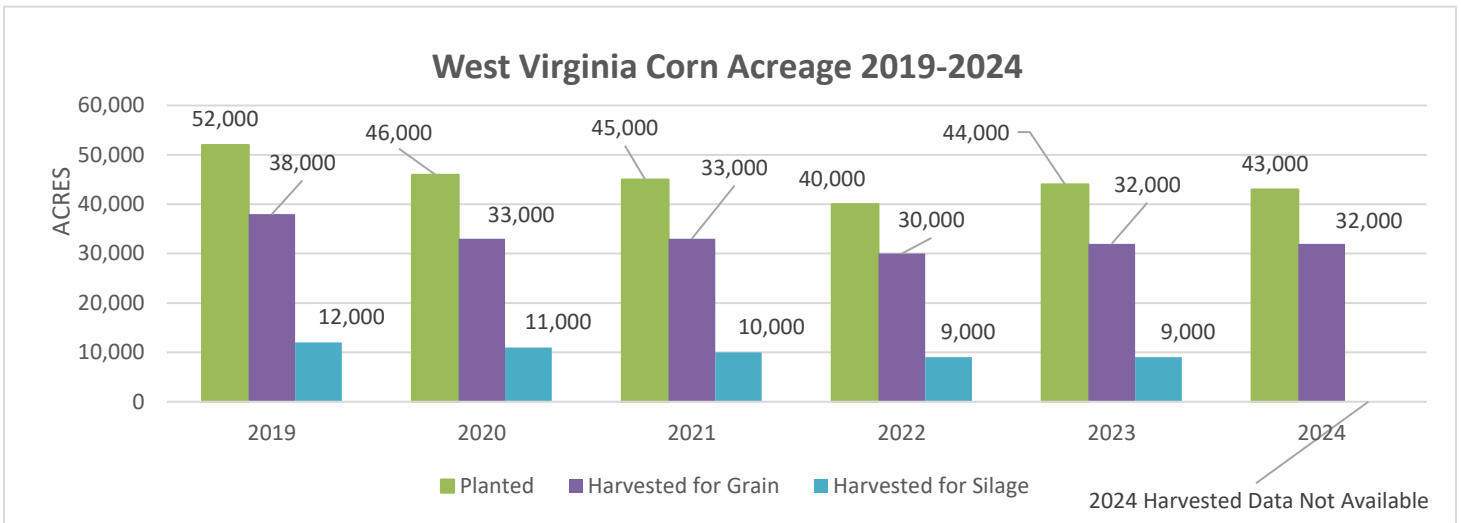
<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. <sup>2</sup> Milk per cow is derived. <sup>3</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

## CROP ACREAGE

**All hay** harvested is forecast at 597,000 acres, down 13,000 acres from last year. **Alfalfa hay** harvested is expected to total 7,000 acres, down 3,000 acres from last year. **Other hay** harvested is expected to be 590,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from last year.



Corn planted is estimated at 43,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from 2023. Growers expect to harvest 32,000 acres for grain, unchanged from last year.



*Note: These estimates were based on results from the June 1, 2024, Agricultural Survey. Forecasted estimates may change as the survey year and/or planting intentions by farmers are altered.*

## 2022 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE WEST VIRGINIA FARMS BY VALUE OF SALES AND FARM SIZE

### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
Less than \$2,500	10,093	44
\$2,500 to \$4,999	3,375	15
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3,456	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2,893	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1,530	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	587	3
\$100,000 or more	853	4

### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
1 to 9 acres	1,810	8
10 to 49 acres	6,193	27
50 to 179 acres	9,295	41
180 to 499 acres	4,218	19
500 to 999 acres	898	4
1,000+ acres	373	2

<sup>b</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding.



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