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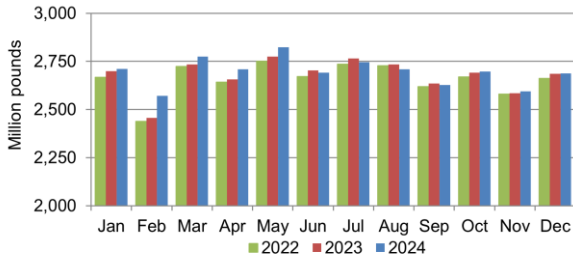
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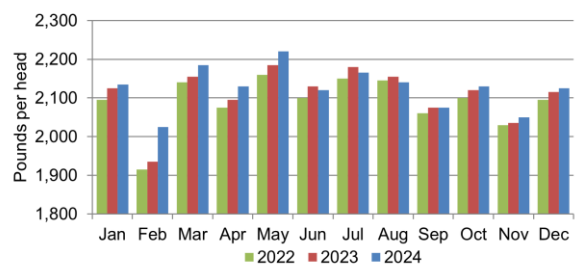
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Milk production in Wisconsin during December 2024 totaled 2.69 billion pounds, up slightly from the previous December according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during December, at 1.27 million head, was 1,000 below last month and down 5,000 from December 2023. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,125 pounds, up 10 pounds from last December.

**Milk Production
Wisconsin: 2022-2024**



**Milk Production per Cow
Wisconsin: 2022-2024**



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: December 2023 and 2024

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona	199	189	2,085	2,085	415	394	-5.1
California	1,710	1,709	2,015	1,880	3,446	3,213	-6.8
Colorado	197	205	2,190	2,185	431	448	3.9
Florida	98	95	1,705	1,720	167	163	-2.4
Georgia	91	85	1,870	1,980	170	168	-1.2
Idaho	663	680	2,060	2,080	1,366	1,414	3.5
Illinois	79	77	1,820	1,830	144	141	-2.1
Indiana	190	190	1,995	2,010	379	382	0.8
Iowa	239	245	2,060	2,080	492	510	3.7
Kansas	176	180	1,990	1,995	350	359	2.6
Michigan	439	440	2,290	2,315	1,005	1,019	1.4
Minnesota	450	440	1,935	1,965	871	865	-0.7
New Mexico	250	240	2,045	2,060	511	494	-3.3
New York	630	630	2,120	2,135	1,336	1,345	0.7
Ohio	255	250	1,870	1,910	477	478	0.2
Oregon	120	111	1,725	1,710	207	190	-8.2
Pennsylvania	465	465	1,765	1,765	821	821	0.0
South Dakota	207	215	1,895	1,940	392	417	6.4
Texas	635	675	2,170	2,195	1,378	1,482	7.5
Utah	90	91	1,930	1,935	174	176	1.1
Vermont	116	113	1,800	1,840	209	208	-0.5
Virginia	68	66	1,750	1,780	119	117	-1.7
Washington	257	255	2,005	1,975	515	504	-2.1
Wisconsin	1,270	1,265	2,115	2,125	2,686	2,688	0.1
24-State Total	8,894	8,911	2,031	2,020	18,061	17,996	-0.4

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 24 major States during December totaled 18.0 billion pounds, down 0.4 percent from December 2023. November revised production, at 17.3 billion pounds, was down 0.3 percent from November 2023. The November revision represented an increase of 89 million pounds or 0.5 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,020 pounds for December, 11 pounds below December 2023.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.91 million head, 17,000 head more than December 2023, but 8,000 head less than November 2024.

Milk production in the United States during the October - December quarter totaled 55.5 billion pounds, down 0.1 percent from the October - December quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.36 million head, 29,000 head more than the July - September quarter, and 10,000 head more than the same period last year.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States

Million pounds

