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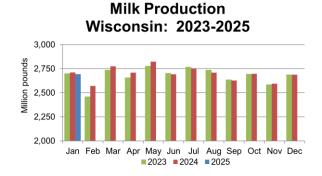
Wisconsin Ag News – Milk Production

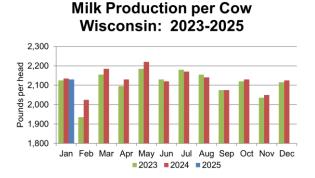


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Milk production in Wisconsin during January 2025 totaled 2.69 billion pounds, down 1 percent from the previous January according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during January, at 1.27 million head, was unchanged from last month but down 5,000 from January 2024. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,130 pounds, down 5 pounds from last January.





Milk Cows and Production - Selected States: January 2024 and 2025

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	Milk Cows 1		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
State	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	Change from 2024
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona	196	188	2,125	2,125	417	400	-4.1
California	1,709	1,710	2,070	1,950	3,538	3,335	-5.7
Colorado	198	205	2,205	2,205	437	452	3.4
Florida	98	95	1,835	1,870	180	178	-1.1
Georgia	87	85	1,925	2,030	167	173	3.6
Idaho	663	690	2,085	2,130	1,382	1,470	6.4
Illinois	79	77	1,855	1,860	147	143	- 2.7
Indiana	190	190	2,000	2,025	380	385	1.3
lowa	240	245	2,110	2,110	506	517	2.2
Kansas	174	180	2,020	2,035	351	366	4.3
Michigan	439	440	2,320	2,330	1,018	1,025	0.7
Minnesota	449	440	1,955	1,990	878	876	-0.2
New Mexico	240	237	2,130	2,130	511	505	-1.2
New York	630	630	2,115	2,155	1,332	1,358	2.0
Ohio	255	251	1,885	1,925	481	483	0.4
Oregon	115	116	1,730	1,750	199	203	2.0
Pennsylvania	465	465	1,795	1,810	835	842	0.8
South Dakota	210	217	1,905	1,965	400	426	6.5
Texas	635	675	2,195	2,200	1,394	1,485	6.5
Utah	89	91	1,950	1,950	174	177	1.7
Vermont	116	113	1,820	1,865	211	211	0.0
Virginia	67	66	1,800	1,780	121	117	-3.3
Washington	257	254	2,035	2,000	523	508	-2.9
Wisconsin	1,270	1,265	2,135	2,130	2,711	2,694	-0.6
24-State Total	8,871	8,925	2,062	2,054	18,293	18,329	0.2

 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 January totaled 18.3 billion pounds, up 0.2 percent from January 2024. December revised production, at 18.0 billion pounds, was down 0.2 percent from December 2023. The December revision represented no change from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,054 pounds for January, 8 pounds below January 2024.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.93 million head, up 54,000 head from January 2024, and up 9,000 head from December 2024.

The annual production of milk for the United States during 2024 was 226 billion pounds, down 0.2 percent from 2023. Revisions to 2023 production decreased the annual total 53 million pounds. Revised 2024 production was up 14 million pounds from last month's publication. Annual total milk production has increased 8.3 percent from 2015.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 24,178 pounds for 2024, 61 pounds above 2023. The average annual rate of milk production per cow has increased 8.1 percent from 2015.

The average number of milk cows on farms in the United States during 2024 was 9.34 million head, down 42,000 head from 2023. The average number of milk cows was revised up 3,000 head for 2024. The average annual number of milk cows has increased 0.2 percent from 2015.

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

