



# Minnesota Ag News – Milk Production

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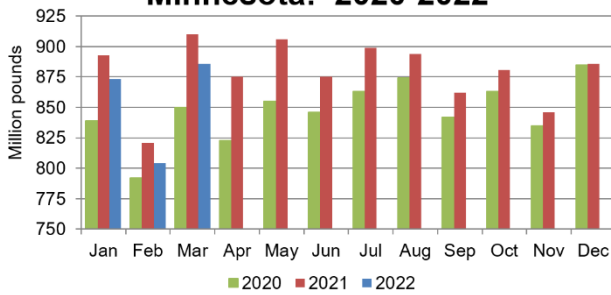
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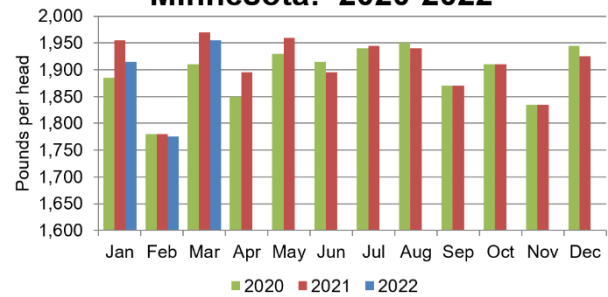
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**Milk production** in Minnesota during March 2022 totaled 886 million pounds, down 3 percent from the previous March according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during March, at 453,000 head, was unchanged from last month but down 9,000 from March 2021. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,955 pounds, down 15 pounds from last March.

**Milk Production  
Minnesota: 2020-2022**



**Milk Production per Cow  
Minnesota: 2020-2022**



**Milk Cows and Production - Selected States: March 2021 and 2022**

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		Change from 2021
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona .....	200	198	2,260	2,250	452	446	-1.3
California .....	1,720	1,721	2,165	2,175	3,724	3,743	0.5
Colorado .....	204	202	2,230	2,230	455	450	-1.1
Florida .....	109	98	1,880	1,870	205	183	-10.7
Georgia .....	81	88	2,010	2,010	163	177	8.6
Idaho .....	652	652	2,135	2,135	1,392	1,392	0.0
Illinois .....	83	81	1,940	1,940	161	157	-2.5
Indiana .....	194	187	2,065	2,065	401	386	-3.7
Iowa .....	227	227	2,115	2,130	480	484	0.8
Kansas .....	175	170	2,080	2,060	364	350	-3.8
Michigan .....	442	427	2,345	2,355	1,036	1,006	-2.9
<b>Minnesota .....</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>1,970</b>	<b>1,955</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>-2.6</b>
New Mexico .....	333	296	2,165	2,210	721	654	-9.3
New York .....	626	620	2,140	2,140	1,340	1,327	-1.0
Ohio .....	260	250	1,910	1,920	497	480	-3.4
Oregon .....	126	127	1,795	1,805	226	229	1.3
Pennsylvania .....	475	467	1,880	1,870	893	873	-2.2
South Dakota .....	147	177	1,940	1,930	285	342	20.0
Texas .....	618	640	2,180	2,245	1,347	1,437	6.7
Utah .....	96	94	1,970	1,965	189	185	-2.1
Vermont .....	119	119	1,870	1,855	223	221	-0.9
Virginia .....	73	71	1,820	1,830	133	130	-2.3
Washington .....	278	264	2,060	2,085	573	550	-4.0
Wisconsin .....	1,270	1,273	2,140	2,140	2,718	2,724	0.2
<b>24-State Total .....</b>	<b>8,970</b>	<b>8,902</b>	<b>2,106</b>	<b>2,113</b>	<b>18,888</b>	<b>18,812</b>	<b>-0.4</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

# United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 24 major States during March totaled 18.8 billion pounds, down 0.4 percent from March 2021. February revised production, at 16.8 billion pounds, was down 0.7 percent from February 2021. The February revision represented an increase of 8 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,113 pounds for March, 7 pounds above March 2021.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.90 million head, 68,000 head less than March 2021, but 15,000 head more than February 2022.

Milk production in the United States during the January - March quarter totaled 56.3 billion pounds, down 1.0 percent from the January - March quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.38 million head, unchanged from the October - December quarter, but 85,000 head less than the same period last year.

## Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States

