



# Minnesota Ag News – Milk Production

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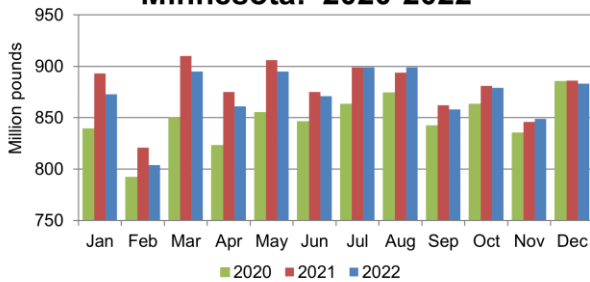
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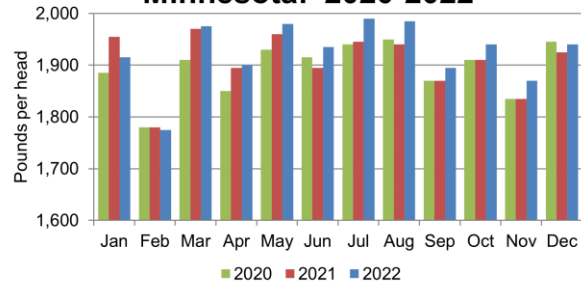
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**Milk production** in Minnesota during December 2022 totaled 883 million pounds, down slightly from the previous December according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during December, at 455,000 head, was 1,000 above last month but down 5,000 from December 2021. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,940 pounds, up 15 pounds from last December.

**Milk Production  
Minnesota: 2020-2022**



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



## Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: December 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 .....	194	195	2,090	2,090	405	408	0.7
California .....	1,719	1,724	2,030	2,030	3,490	3,500	0.3
Colorado .....	202	203	2,195	2,190	443	445	0.5
Florida .....	105	92	1,725	1,720	181	158	-12.7
Georgia .....	83	92	1,900	1,900	158	175	10.8
Idaho .....	652	661	2,065	2,070	1,346	1,368	1.6
Illinois .....	81	79	1,820	1,820	147	144	-2.0
Indiana .....	186	187	1,980	2,000	368	374	1.6
Iowa .....	225	239	2,080	2,075	468	496	6.0
Kansas .....	168	175	2,030	2,025	341	354	3.8
Michigan .....	434	432	2,270	2,305	985	996	1.1
<b>Minnesota .....</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>1,925</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>883</b>	<b>-0.3</b>
New Mexico .....	292	279	2,060	2,055	602	573	-4.8
New York .....	620	630	2,075	2,100	1,287	1,323	2.8
Ohio .....	248	250	1,860	1,865	461	466	1.1
Oregon .....	125	123	1,715	1,730	214	213	-0.5
Pennsylvania .....	470	465	1,775	1,795	834	835	0.1
South Dakota .....	170	186	1,925	1,915	327	356	8.9
Texas .....	625	650	2,150	2,135	1,344	1,388	3.3
Utah .....	94	92	1,935	1,935	182	178	-2.2
Vermont .....	120	118	1,785	1,815	214	214	0.0
Virginia .....	71	67	1,735	1,710	123	115	-6.5
Washington .....	261	254	1,990	1,975	519	502	-3.3
Wisconsin .....	1,275	1,270	2,075	2,095	2,646	2,661	0.6
<b>24-State Total .....</b>	<b>8,880</b>	<b>8,918</b>	<b>2,024</b>	<b>2,032</b>	<b>17,971</b>	<b>18,125</b>	<b>0.9</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 December totaled 18.1 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent from December 2021. November revised production, at 17.4 billion pounds, was up 1.1 percent from November 2021. The November revision represented a decrease of 49 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,032 pounds for December, 8 pounds above December 2021.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.92 million head, 38,000 head more than December 2021, but 9,000 head less than November 2022.

Milk production in the United States during the October - December quarter totaled 56.0 billion pounds, up 1.0 percent from the October - December quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.41 million head, 4,000 head less than the July - September quarter, but 27,000 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](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications).

## Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States

