



Minnesota Ag News – Milk Production

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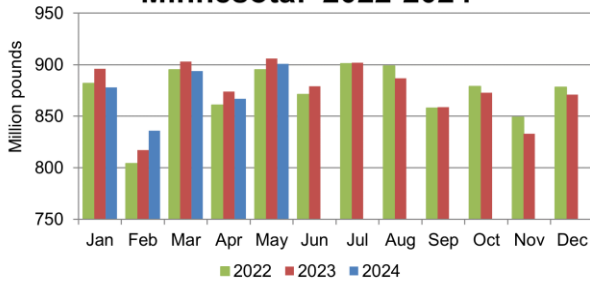
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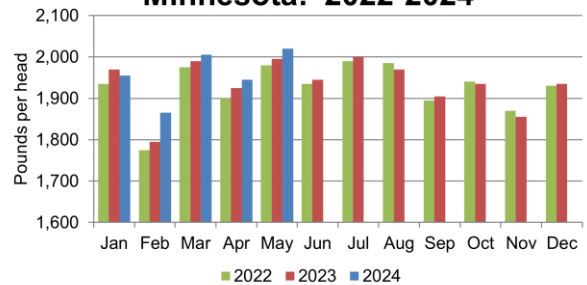
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Milk production in Minnesota during May 2024 totaled 901 million pounds, down 1 percent from the previous May according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during May, at 446,000 head, was unchanged from last month but down 8,000 from May 2023. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,020 pounds, up 25 pounds from last May.

**Milk Production
Minnesota: 2022-2024**



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



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

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		Change from 2023
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona	198	193	2,190	2,190	434	423	-2.5
California	1,715	1,709	2,125	2,100	3,644	3,589	-1.5
Colorado	206	203	2,235	2,235	460	454	-1.3
Florida	94	102	1,820	1,850	171	189	10.5
Georgia	93	85	1,950	1,950	181	166	-8.3
Idaho	670	669	2,215	2,205	1,484	1,475	-0.6
Illinois	79	78	1,915	1,930	151	151	0.0
Indiana	189	189	2,070	2,055	391	388	-0.8
Iowa	240	243	2,135	2,150	512	522	2.0
Kansas	179	173	2,055	2,070	368	358	-2.7
Michigan	436	438	2,400	2,390	1,046	1,047	0.1
Minnesota	454	446	1,995	2,020	906	901	-0.6
New Mexico	280	238	2,160	2,170	605	516	-14.7
New York	630	630	2,225	2,220	1,402	1,399	-0.2
Ohio	252	255	1,945	1,935	490	493	0.6
Oregon	122	118	1,830	1,830	223	216	-3.1
Pennsylvania	466	465	1,855	1,840	864	856	-0.9
South Dakota	193	212	1,975	1,980	381	420	10.2
Texas	645	643	2,240	2,240	1,445	1,440	-0.3
Utah	91	90	2,030	2,035	185	183	-1.1
Vermont	118	115	1,890	1,870	223	215	-3.6
Virginia	67	67	1,845	1,840	124	123	-0.8
Washington	258	260	2,095	2,100	541	546	0.9
Wisconsin	1,270	1,272	2,185	2,205	2,775	2,805	1.1
24-State Total	8,945	8,893	2,125	2,122	19,006	18,875	-0.7

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 May totaled 18.9 billion pounds, down 0.7 percent from May 2023. April revised production, at 18.3 billion pounds, was down 0.4 percent from April 2023. The April revision represented a decrease of 27 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,122 pounds for May, 3 pounds below May 2023.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.89 million head, 52,000 head less than May 2023, but 5,000 head more than April 2024.

Milk production in the United States during May totaled 19.7 billion pounds, down 0.9 percent from May 2023.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 2,105 pounds for May, 3 pounds below May 2023.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.35 million head, 68,000 head less than May 2023, but 5,000 head more than April 2024.

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

Monthly Milk Production - 24 Selected States

