



# News Release

## October Milk Production

Dairy herds in Indiana produced 377 million pounds of milk during October, up 2.4 percent from a year ago, according to Nathaniel Warenski, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Indiana Field Office. Production per cow in Indiana averaged 1,975 pounds for September, 5 pounds below October 2022. The dairy herd was estimated at 191,000 head for October, up 5,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during October totaled 17.9 billion pounds, down 0.4 percent from October 2022. September revised production, at 17.5 billion pounds, was up 0.1 percent from September 2022. The September revision represented an increase of 17 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,013 pounds for October, 3 pounds below October 2022. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.91 million head, 19,000 head less than October 2022, and 5,000 head less than September 2023.

### Milk Production – Indiana and 24 Selected States: October 2022 and 2023

Commodity	Indiana		24 Major States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
Cows ..... 1,000 Hd	186	191	8,931	8,912
Monthly rate per cow ..... Pounds	1,980	1,975	2,016	2,013
Production ..... Mil lbs	368	377	18,005	17,936

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