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September Milk Production in California up slightly from last September

Milk production during September totaled 3.21 billion pounds, up slightly from September 2023 and down 5.1 percent August 2024. The number of milk cows on farms in California was 1.71 million head, down 4,000 from September 2023 and unchanged from August 2024. Production per cow in California averaged 1,880 pounds, up 5 pounds from September 2023 and down 100 pounds from August 2024.

Milk Cows and Production by Month – 24 Selected States: September 2023 and 2024

[May not add due to rounding]

State	Milk cows ¹		Milk per cow ²		Milk production ²		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>(percent)</i>
Arizona	201	192	1,835	1,835	369	352	-4.6
California	1,712	1,708	1,875	1,880	3,210	3,211	(Z)
Colorado	198	200	2,125	2,135	421	427	1.4
Florida	100	100	1,510	1,510	151	151	-
Georgia	90	85	1,680	1,800	151	153	1.3
Idaho	665	672	2,065	2,080	1,373	1,398	1.8
Illinois	79	77	1,705	1,680	135	129	-4.4
Indiana	191	189	1,910	1,930	365	365	-
Iowa	240	241	2,010	1,985	482	478	-0.8
Kansas	172	178	1,955	1,945	336	346	3.0
Michigan	439	436	2,240	2,235	983	974	-0.9
Minnesota	451	442	1,905	1,905	859	842	-2.0
New Mexico	265	239	1,960	1,975	519	472	-9.1
New York	630	630	2,070	2,095	1,304	1,320	1.2
Ohio	255	252	1,795	1,820	458	459	0.2
Oregon	120	118	1,715	1,715	206	202	-1.9
Pennsylvania	466	465	1,670	1,675	778	779	0.1
South Dakota	198	214	1,925	1,920	381	411	7.9
Texas	635	655	2,095	2,130	1,330	1,395	4.9
Utah	88	90	1,910	1,915	168	172	2.4
Vermont	116	113	1,750	1,750	203	198	-2.5
Virginia	69	66	1,650	1,640	114	108	-5.3
Washington	257	259	1,995	1,975	513	512	-0.2
Wisconsin	1,270	1,266	2,075	2,070	2,635	2,621	-0.5
24-State Total	8,907	8,887	1,958	1,966	17,444	17,475	0.2

- Represents zero.

(Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Milk Cows and Production – Selected States and United States: Preliminary July - September 2023 and 2024

State	July - September milk cows ¹		July - September milk production ²		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>percent</i>
California	1,713.0	1,708.0	9,841.0	9,907.0	0.7
Hawaii	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(NA)
Nevada	32.0	31.0	192.0	196.0	2.1
United States	9,366.0	9,325.0	55,994.0	56,009.0	(Z)

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(NA) Not available.

(Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

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