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February Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 444 million pounds of milk during February, down 2.0 percent from a year ago, according to Ben Torrance, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Ohio Field Office. Production per cow in Ohio averaged 1,760 pounds for February, down 25 pounds from February 2024. The dairy herd was estimated at 252,000 head for February, down 2,000 from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during February totaled 17.0 billion pounds, down 2.6 percent from February 2024. However, production was 0.9 percent above last year after adjusting for the leap year. January revised production, at 18.4 billion pounds, was up 0.6 percent from January 2024. The January revision represented an increase of 72 million pounds or 0.4 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,895 pounds for February, 66 pounds below February 2024. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.96 million head, 75,000 head more than February 2024, and 13,000 head more than January 2025.

Milk Production – Ohio and 24 Selected States: February 2024 and 2025

Commodity	Ohio		24 Major States	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
Cows 1,000 Hd	254	252	8,888	8,963
Monthly rate per cow Pounds	1,785	1,760	1,961	1,895
Production Mil lbs	453	444	17,432	16,985

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