



News Release

May Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 1,021 million pounds of milk during May, down 1.7 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Regional Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Production per cow in Michigan averaged 2,390 pounds for May, 55 pounds above May 2021. The dairy herd was estimated at 427,000 head for May, down 18,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during May totaled 18.8 billion pounds, down 0.6 percent from May 2021. April revised production, at 18.3 billion pounds, was down 0.9 percent from April 2021. The April revision represented a decrease of 3 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,114 pounds for May, 8 pounds above May 2021. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.91 million head, 84,000 head less than May 2021, but 2,000 head more than April 2022.

Milk Production – Michigan and 24 Selected States: May 2021 and 2022

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
Cows 1,000 Hd	445	427	8,996	8,912
Monthly rate per cow Pounds	2,335	2,390	2,106	2,114
Production Mil lbs	1,039	1,021	18,949	18,841