



News Release

January Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 1.004 billion pounds of milk during January, up 2.1 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 2,325 pounds for January, 40 pounds above January 2022. The dairy herd was estimated at 432,000 head for January, up 2,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during January totaled 18.5 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from January 2022. December revised production, at 18.1 billion pounds, was up 0.7 percent from December 2021. The December revision represented a decrease of 32 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 2,069 pounds for January, 18 pounds above January 2022. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.93 million head, 51,000 head more than January 2022, and 9,000 head more than December 2022.

Milk Production – Michigan and 24 Selected States: January 2022 and 2023

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
Cows 1,000 Hd	430	432	8,876	8,927
Monthly rate per cow Pounds	2,285	2,325	2,051	2,069
Production Mil lbs	983	1,004	18,205	18,469