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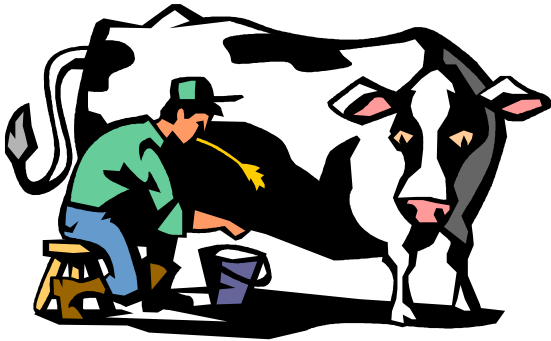
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**HIGHLIGHTS IN THIS REPORT**

Quarterly Milk Production

**Louisiana Milk Production**

Louisiana dairies produced an estimated 106 million pounds of milk during the January-March 2007 quarter, down 11 percent from the same period in 2006. The number of milk cows averaged 30,000 head during the quarter, down 9 percent from last year.



**United States Milk Production**

Milk production in the U.S. during the January-March quarter totaled 46.0 billion pounds, up 1.0 percent from the January-March quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.13 million head, 36,000 head more than the same period last year.

Milk production in the 23 major states during March totaled 14.8 billion pounds, up 1.1 percent from March 2006. February's revised production, at 13.1 billion pounds, was up 0.6 percent from February 2006. The February revision represented a decrease of 31 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,782 pounds for March, 7 pounds above March 2006.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.28 million head, 58,000 head more than March 2006, and 5,000 head more than February 2007.

**Milk Production: Selected States, January-March 2006– 2007**

Selected States	January-March Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		January-March Milk Production <sup>2</sup>	
	2006	2007	2006	2007
	-----Thousands-----		-----Million Pounds-----	
Alabama	14	13	60	58
Arkansas	21	18.5	71	63
<b>Louisiana</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>106</b>
Mississippi	23	22	100	91
Oklahoma	75	70	311	296
Tennessee	69	66	284	270
Texas	329	347	1,825	1,853
23 Major States <sup>3</sup>	8,210	8,278	41,644	42,134
<b>United States</b>	<b>9,092</b>	<b>9,128</b>	<b>45,547</b>	<b>45,979</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

<sup>3</sup> Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin.

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