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On: TEXAS MILK PRODUCTION

UP 5 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . . Texas milk production totaled 568 million pounds during April, up 5 percent from last year's production of 540 million pounds. March 2005 revised production totaled 571 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during April averaged 319,000 head, up 2,000 from last year and up 1,000 head from the revised March 2005 number. Production per cow averaged 1,780 pounds during April, 75 pounds above last year but 15 pounds below March 2005.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 13.6 billion pounds, up 3 percent from production in these same states in April 2004. March revised production, at 13.8 billion pounds, was up 3 percent from March 2004.

Production per cow during April averaged 1,679 pounds, 43 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.11 million head, 44,000 head more than last year and 12,000 head more than March 2005.