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On: TEXAS MILK PRODUCTION
UP 8 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN Texas milk production totaled 586 million pounds during May, up 8 percent from last year's production of 545 million pounds. April 2005 production totaled 568 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during May averaged 320,000 head, up 3,000 from last year and up 1,000 head from the April 2005 number. Production per cow averaged 1,830 pounds during May, 110 pounds above last year and 50 pounds above April 2005.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 14.2 billion pounds, up 4.4 percent from production in these same states in May 2004. April revised production, at 13.6 billion pounds, was up 3.4 percent from April 2004.

Production per cow during May averaged 1,754 pounds, 62 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.12 million head, 54,000 head more than last year and 9,000 head more than April 2005.