

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS  
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MILK PRODUCTION:- Although the condition of pastures in dairy States was the lowest on record for August 1 and averaged 55.7 compared with the 69.5 reported last year, crop correspondents reporting to the Department were milking about 1 percent more of their cows than on the same date last year and were securing about the same quantity of milk per cow in production. Counting all milk cows in the herds milk production per cow, as reported, averaged 13.67 pounds compared with 13.51 pounds on August 1 last year, 13.91 pounds in 1931 and an August 1 average of 15.06 pounds per cow during the previous 5 years. With more cows on farms total daily milk production was apparently about 3 percent above production on August 1 last year.

The higher production per cow, in comparison with August 1 last year, occurred largely in the Corn Belt, where poorer pastures were, in most States, being offset by heavier feeding of grain and concentrates. In most areas dependent on purchased feed supplies, feed costs have risen more rapidly than dairy product prices and feeding continues light in spite of poor pastures, resulting in extremely low production per cow.

PASTURES:- Pastures were seriously hurt by the hot weather and drought, and the condition on August 1, as reported by crop correspondents was the lowest on record for that date. The average for the country as a whole was reported as 55.6 percent of normal compared with 56.4 in 1930, 63.7 in 1931, 62.7 in 1911, and 66.0 in 1894, the lowest August averages previously recorded. In the eastern half of the country south of New York, pastures averaged better on August 1 than on that date in 1930 and in most of the western half of the country (except Oklahoma and Texas) they were better than in August 1931 but there is no large area where pastures were above average. The pasture situation on August 1 was worst in an area that included western Oklahoma, the Panhandle of Texas and southwestern Kansas. Another area where conditions are serious includes the northeastern third of South Dakota and extends into Southwestern Minnesota. Other dry spots include east central Illinois and most of New York and Vermont where pastures are the poorest on record.

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**CROP REPORT**

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**MILK PRODUCED PER MILK COW IN HERDS KEPT BY CROP REPORTERS 1/**

S T A T E	August 1 (Avg.)	August 1	August 1	August 1
	1925-30	1931	1932	1933
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Me.	15.8	13.8	13.5	13.7
N. H.	15.5	13.2	14.2	14.3
Vt.	14.2	13.5	14.3	12.4
Mass.	17.2	16.2	16.3	15.5
R. I.	19.1	19.3	21.8	20.0
Conn.	16.9	17.0	16.9	17.1
N. Y.	18.1	17.5	17.0	15.3
N. J.	18.4	18.7	16.5	17.3
Pa.	17.3	16.4	15.8	16.2
<b>N. ATL.</b>	<b>17.30</b>	<b>16.55</b>	<b>16.16</b>	<b>15.44</b>
Ohio	16.7	16.2	15.8	14.8
Ind.	15.6	15.5	15.0	13.8
Ill.	14.8	15.1	13.9	14.5
Mich.	18.2	17.3	16.6	16.7
Wis.	18.6	15.5	14.3	16.4
<b>E. N. CENT.</b>	<b>17.17</b>	<b>15.58</b>	<b>14.91</b>	<b>15.46</b>
Minn.	16.1	14.1	13.5	14.3
Iowa	14.6	12.5	13.6	14.4
Mo.	11.5	10.2	11.0	10.5
N. Dak.	15.5	14.9	13.2	14.0
S. Dak.	14.5	12.4	10.5	12.7
Nebr.	14.3	14.1	13.4	15.4
Kans.	13.7	15.3	12.9	13.8
<b>W. N. CENT.</b>	<b>14.47</b>	<b>12.92</b>	<b>12.69</b>	<b>13.58</b>
Del.	12.1	14.2	12.7	13.1
Md.	15.6	14.9	14.3	15.4
Va.	13.5	13.7	12.8	12.0
W. Va.	14.5	14.5	14.6	12.6
N. C.	13.0	13.2	12.3	12.1
S. C.	10.6	11.1	10.1	10.7
Ga.	10.3	9.4	9.2	9.0
Fla.	7.3	7.3	7.6	6.7
<b>S. ATL.</b>	<b>12.53</b>	<b>11.84</b>	<b>11.35</b>	<b>11.22</b>
Ky.	14.2	13.2	12.8	12.4
Tenn.	12.4	11.8	11.2	10.6
Ala.	8.6	8.6	8.5	7.7
Miss.	9.0	9.0	8.3	8.0
Ark.	10.5	11.1	9.6	8.3
La.	6.7	6.4	7.2	7.1
Okla.	12.1	10.8	11.7	10.3
Tex.	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.2
<b>S. CENT.</b>	<b>10.61</b>	<b>10.36</b>	<b>10.25</b>	<b>9.62</b>
Mont.	15.1	13.8	15.5	14.9
Ida.	18.4	18.2	19.0	19.3
Wyo.	15.0	15.0	13.3	13.6
Colo.	15.0	14.3	13.3	14.4
N. Mex.	11.2	11.4	11.1	9.7
Ariz.	15.3	12.7	12.9	14.6
Utah	16.8	16.0	16.7	16.9
Nev.	16.1	16.3	13.1	13.6
Wash.	18.7	19.0	19.2	18.6
Oreg.	17.4	17.5	16.8	16.4
Calif.	17.4	18.5	19.0	17.8
<b>WEST.</b>	<b>16.27</b>	<b>16.35</b>	<b>15.82</b>	<b>15.80</b>
<b>U. S.</b>	<b>14.95</b>	<b>13.91</b>	<b>13.51</b>	<b>13.67</b>

1/ These are not estimates but averages obtained by dividing reported daily production of herds kept by reporters by number of milk cows in these herds.