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MILK PRODUCTION ON OCTOBER 1, 1932

The following comments were prepared for the October issue of "Crops and Markets".

Milk production per cow on October 1 was still low on account of poor pastures and light feeding but, with more than the usual proportion of the cows freshening during the fall months, there was much less than the usual decline in milk production during September. On about October 1 crop correspondents were securing a daily average of 12.12 pounds of milk per cow in their herds, compared with 12.27 pounds on that date last year and an October 1 average of 12.73 during the previous 5 years.

With nearly four per cent more milk cows on the farms these reports indicate that daily production of milk was averaging between 2 and 3 per cent greater than at the same time last year. Reports from crop correspondents for previous months of this year have indicated a daily milk production ranging from nearly 2 per cent above last year on January 1 to 4 per cent below last year on May 1, and averaging a fraction of one per cent below last year for the nine months' period.

Dairymen reporting on October 1 were feeding about 8 per cent less grain per milk cow per day than at the same time last year, the average for the country as a whole being 3.13 pounds per day compared to 3.40 pounds reported on October 1 last year. The condition of pastures in dairy States was reported as 64.0 per cent of normal compared with 65.2 per cent on October 1 last year, 52.8 per cent in 1930 and an October average of 79.0 during the previous 10 years. Milk cows in the herds kept by Dairy correspondents were reported as securing 65 per cent of the feed from pastures which was about the same as was reported on October 1 last year.

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DAILY MILK PRODUCTION OF MILK COWS IN HERDS KEPT BY CROP CORRESPONDENTS  
October 1, 1932, with comparisons 1/

S T A T E	October 1, 1925-1929	Oct. 1, 1930	Oct. 1, 1931	Oct. 1, 1932
Me.	13.3	13.3	12.5	14.2
N. H.	14.3	13.6	13.6	14.9
Vt.	12.4	13.5	13.2	13.5
Mass.	17.5	18.1	18.6	17.8
R. I.	18.5	23.2	19.3	18.9
Conn.	16.9	15.9	15.2	17.2
N. Y.	15.5	15.1	16.1	16.6
N. J.	18.9	15.2	17.9	18.0
Pa.	15.6	15.4	15.0	14.9
N. Atl.	15.45	15.22	15.42	15.42
Ohio	14.8	14.6	14.4	14.3
Ind.	14.0	14.1	13.5	13.9
Ill.	12.5	13.4	12.0	12.5
Mich.	15.6	14.7	15.3	16.1
Wis.	14.4	13.2	13.4	13.1
E. N. CENT.	14.27	13.80	13.78	13.70
Minn.	12.5	11.7	11.6	11.4
Iowa	11.9	11.9	11.8	12.7
Mo.	10.6	11.0	10.0	9.7
N. Dak.	11.0	11.7	11.0	10.2
S. Dak.	9.8	10.6	9.3	9.5
Nebr.	10.6	12.1	11.2	11.1
Kans.	10.8	11.9	11.7	11.5
W. N. CENT.	11.28	11.58	11.07	11.06
Del.	12.6	14.1	14.3	11.9
Md.	15.7	12.3	14.1	13.9
Va.	12.6	11.0	11.8	10.6
W. Va.	13.2	12.1	11.7	11.4
N. C.	12.0	11.4	11.7	10.7
S. C.	9.5	9.8	9.6	9.8
Ga.	9.1	8.7	8.2	8.6
Fla.	7.2	5.6	8.0	6.7
S. ATL.	11.82	10.42	10.71	10.19
Ky.	12.4	11.4	11.4	11.5
Tenn.	10.8	10.6	10.0	9.0
Ala.	8.2	7.7	7.1	8.1
Miss.	7.8	8.2	7.2	6.6
Ark.	9.6	8.6	8.5	8.2
La.	6.1	6.9	6.1	6.5
Okla.	9.9	9.6	9.2	9.1
Tex.	9.3	9.0	8.9	8.6
S. CENT.	9.50	9.41	8.99	8.73
Mont.	12.0	13.6	11.9	11.8
Idaho	15.8	19.2	15.7	17.8
Wyo.	12.4	12.2	12.3	10.7
Colo.	12.0	12.5	11.7	11.3
N. Mex.	8.4	10.5	7.8	9.7
Ariz.	14.7	15.5	13.3	12.0
Utah	15.1	13.6	14.4	15.4
Nev.	13.5	15.6	15.9	12.3
Wash.	16.6	15.9	17.5	16.1
Oreg.	13.7	14.4	14.0	14.7
Calif.	16.3	16.6	16.1	16.6
WESTERN	13.81	14.70	14.04	13.57
UNITED STATES	12.62	12.51	12.27	12.12

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