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(Publication of "Milk Production Trends" has been suspended until February 1934, when the next quarterly report from dairy correspondents will be available. This separate from the December Crop Report is sent as a substitute.)

MILK PRODUCTION ON DECEMBER 1, 1933.

Milk production per cow continues low. On December 1 the milk cows kept by crop correspondents were producing 11.21 pounds of milk compared with 11.59 pounds last year and a December 1 average of 11.98 pounds per cow during the 5 years 1927 to 1931. In all groups of States, excepting the North Atlantic group, production per cow was reported lower than on December 1 last year. This low production per cow, in comparison with last year, appears to have been due chiefly to lighter feeding of grains and concentrates, but in some areas the smaller proportion of the cows freshening in the late fall months was also a factor. On October 1 and November 1, reports received indicated that dairymen were feeding 13 to 14 percent less grain and concentrates per cow than on those dates last year. Such reports as were received on December 1 indicate that this light feeding has continued. Crop correspondents were milking 66.5 percent of the milk cows in their herds compared with 67.1 percent on December 1 last year, 63.0 percent in 1931 and an average of 66.5 percent on December 1 during the 5 years 1927 to 1931. In comparison with last year, the lower production per cow on December 1 about offset the increased number of milk cows on farms, and total milk production appears to have been about the same as on December 1 last year. Sales of milk and cream by farmers have been maintained at relatively high levels.

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MILK PRODUCED PER MILK COW IN HERDS KEPT BY CROP REPORTERS <sup>1/</sup>				
S T A T E	: December 1 : (Avg.) 1925-30 :	December 1 1931 :	December 1 1932 :	December 1 1933
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Me.	12.6	12.6	11.8	11.4
N. H.	15.0	14.4	14.0	13.5
Vt.	12.4	13.7	13.1	12.5
Mass.	16.4	15.8	15.8	16.8
R. I.	16.7	18.6	17.0	19.2
Conn.	15.9	15.5	16.4	16.3
N. Y.	14.1	14.2	14.3	14.7
N. J.	17.6	18.4	16.7	17.1
Pa.	15.1	15.2	14.9	14.4
<b>N. ATL.</b>	<b>14.58</b>	<b>14.72</b>	<b>14.55</b>	<b>14.55</b>
Ohio	13.5	13.9	12.9	12.6
Ind.	12.4	12.8	12.3	11.5
Ill.	11.9	12.5	12.7	12.5
Mich.	14.2	15.0	14.7	14.3
Wis.	13.4	13.7	13.1	12.3
<b>E. N. CENT.</b>	<b>13.14</b>	<b>13.62</b>	<b>13.16</b>	<b>12.50</b>
Minn.	13.0	13.8	13.1	12.8
Iowa	11.0	12.5	11.9	12.3
Mo.	8.4	8.9	8.5	8.1
N. Dak.	9.6	10.0	8.9	8.2
S. Dak.	9.0	9.4	10.3	7.9
Nebr.	10.5	12.0	10.6	11.6
Kans.	11.3	11.9	12.3	12.3
<b>W. N. CENT.</b>	<b>10.70</b>	<b>11.37</b>	<b>10.95</b>	<b>10.68</b>
Del.	13.2	15.0	9.4	13.1
Md.	14.1	13.1	12.5	13.5
Va.	10.7	10.1	9.5	8.6
W. Va.	10.1	10.1	9.5	8.8
N. Car.	10.7	10.5	10.2	9.4
S. Car.	9.2	9.8	9.6	8.7
Ga.	8.9	8.6	8.0	7.7
Fla.	7.0	7.4	6.0	6.5
<b>S. ATL.</b>	<b>10.48</b>	<b>10.14</b>	<b>9.48</b>	<b>9.21</b>
Ky.	10.4	10.0	9.5	8.9
Tenn.	9.3	9.4	7.8	7.3
Ala.	7.8	7.3	6.7	6.1
Miss.	7.2	6.9	6.8	6.2
Ark.	8.1	8.0	7.3	6.4
La.	6.6	6.6	5.4	6.0
Okla.	9.4	9.7	8.5	9.0
Tex.	8.3	8.5	7.9	7.1
<b>S CENT.</b>	<b>8.65</b>	<b>8.77</b>	<b>7.84</b>	<b>7.53</b>
Mont.	10.4	11.3	11.2	9.0
Ida.	14.3	15.2	15.6	14.6
Wyo.	10.4	10.2	9.9	10.9
Colo.	11.5	11.4	11.0	11.2
N. Mex.	9.0	10.5	10.2	8.7
Ariz.	14.8	16.1	12.1	14.7
Utah.	14.6	14.1	15.6	14.1
New.	12.8	14.7	15.2	14.3
Wash.	15.7	15.0	14.0	13.2
Oreg.	14.2	13.8	14.3	13.2
Calif.	14.4	16.4	17.1	15.2
<b>WEST.</b>	<b>13.19</b>	<b>13.58</b>	<b>13.21</b>	<b>12.41</b>
<b>U. S.</b>	<b>11.76</b>	<b>12.08</b>	<b>11.59</b>	<b>11.21</b>

<sup>1/</sup> 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.  
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