

# TEXAS DAIRY FACTS



Texas has approximately

**320**  
**DAIRY FARMS**  
that are home to approximately  
**646,000**  
**MILK COWS**

The average herd size of those Texas dairy farms is approximately

**2,019** **MILKING COWS**

Which places Texas

**4<sup>TH</sup>** **IN NUMBER OF MILK COWS**

There are **33 DAIRY PROCESSING PLANTS\*** throughout the state of Texas



The total amount of milk produced in Texas is about  
**16.5 BILLION POUNDS**  
That's equal to  
**1.9 BILLION GALLONS**

Within the United States, Texas is

**4<sup>TH</sup>** **IN MILK PRODUCTION**

Each dairy cow in Texas provides an average of  
**2,974 GALLONS OF MILK PER YEAR**

That's equal to  
**8.15 GALLONS PER DAY**

**4<sup>TH</sup>**  
**IN MILK OUTPUT PER COW**



In 2022, the cost of a Texas dairy cow was about

**\$1,600**

The average value of the milk a Texas dairy cow produces in one day is about

**\$12.74**

Cash receipts for the sale of milk by dairy farmers amounted to

**\$2.8 BILLION\***



All facts are based on 2022 USDA data unless otherwise noted

\*Based on 2021 USDA data

Brought to you by the dairy farm families of Texas.

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