

MONTANA DAIRY FACTS



Montana has approximately

55
DAIRY FARMS
that are home to approximately
12,000
MILK COWS

The average herd size of those Montana dairy farms is approximately

218 **MILKING COWS**

Which places Montana

36TH **IN NUMBER**
OF MILK COWS

There are
7 DAIRY
PROCESSING PLANTS*
throughout the state
of Montana



The total amount of milk produced in Montana is about
254 MILLION POUNDS
That's equal to
30 MILLION GALLONS

Within the United States, Montana is

36th **IN MILK PRODUCTION**

Each dairy cow in Montana provides an average of

2,461 GALLONS
OF MILK PER YEAR

That's equal to
6.74 GALLONS PER DAY

31st
IN MILK OUTPUT PER COW



In 2020, the cost of a Montana dairy cow was about

\$1,288

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

\$10.61

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

\$46
MILLION*



All facts are based on 2020 USDA data unless otherwise noted

*Based on 2019 USDA data

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