

# COLORADO DAIRY FACTS

All facts are based on  
2022 USDA data unless  
otherwise noted

\*Based on 2021 USDA data



Colorado has  
approximately

**110**  
**DAIRY FARMS**  
that are home to  
approximately  
**205,000**  
**MILK COWS**

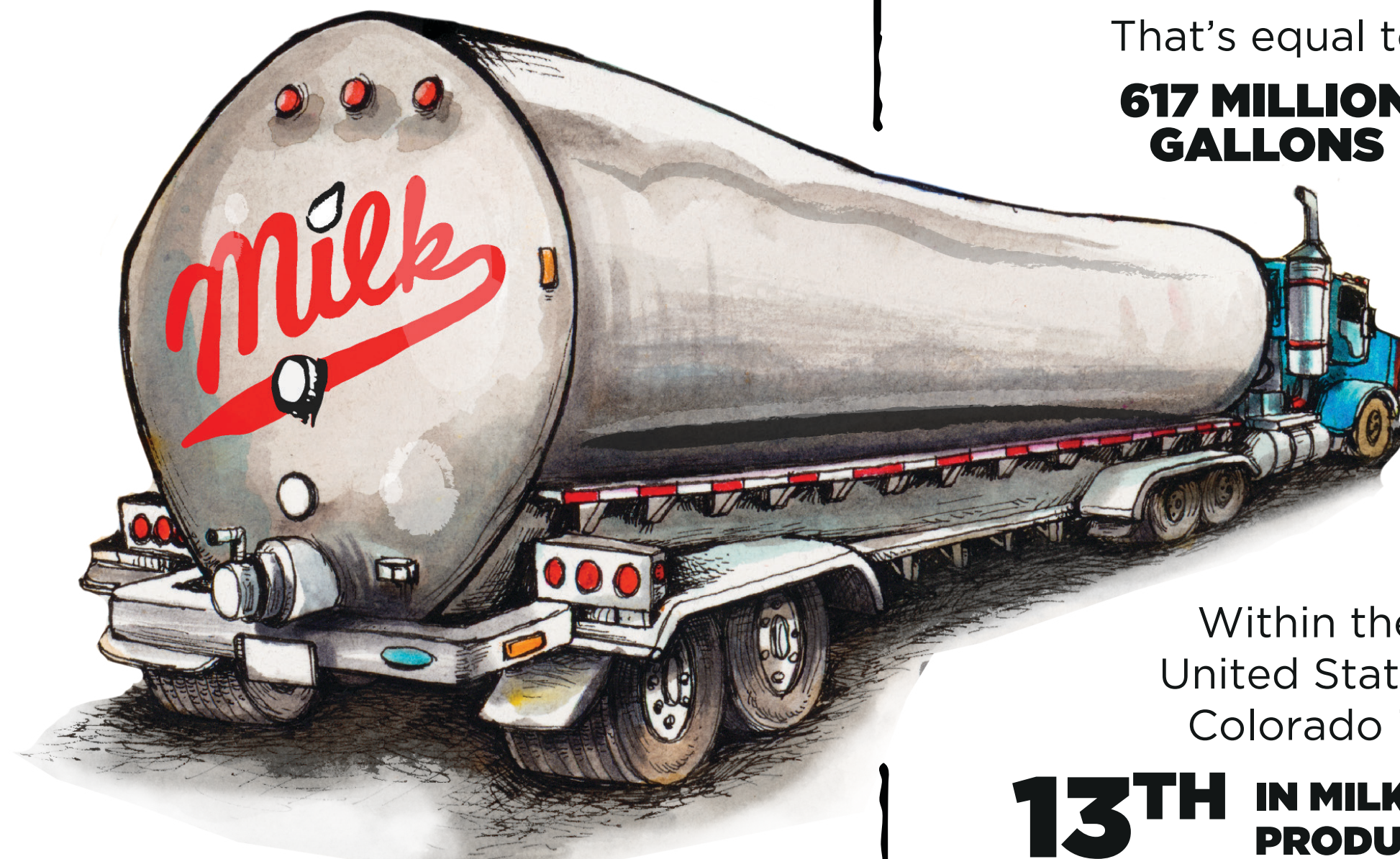
The average  
herd size of those  
Colorado dairy farms is  
approximately

**1,864** **MILKING**  
**COWS**

Which places Colorado

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

There are  
**7 DAIRY**  
**PROCESSING PLANTS\***  
throughout the state  
of Colorado



The total amount of  
milk produced in  
Colorado is about

**5.3 BILLION**  
**POUNDS**

That's equal to

**617 MILLION**  
**GALLONS**

Within the  
United States,  
Colorado is

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

Each dairy cow in Colorado  
provides an average of

**3,014 GALLONS**  
**OF MILK PER YEAR**

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

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



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

**\$1,625**

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

**\$13.28**

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

**\$982**  
**MILLION\***

