



# 2017 NEW MEXICO DAIRY FACTS

New Mexico has approximately



**150** dairy farms

that are home to approximately

**315,000** milk cows



The average herd size

of those New Mexico dairy farms is approximately

**2,100** milking cows

Which places New Mexico



**9th** in number of milk cows

The total amount of milk produced in New Mexico is about

**7.7** billion pounds

That's equal to

**895** million gallons



There are **6** milk processing plants throughout the state of New Mexico



Within the United States, New Mexico is



**9th** in milk production



**4th** in milk output per cow

Each dairy cow in New Mexico provides an average of

**2,949** gallons



That's equal to

**8.1** gallons per day



In 2017, the cost of a New Mexico dairy cow was about

**\$1,161**

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



**\$12.27**



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

**\$1.4** billion

In 2017, New Mexico dairy exports totaled

**\$176** million



All facts are based on 2017 USDA data.

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