



2017 TEXAS DAIRY FACTS

Texas has approximately



400
dairy farms

that are home to approximately

475,000
milk cows



The average herd size

of those Texas dairy farms is approximately

1,188 milking cows

Which places Texas



5th in number of milk cows

The total amount of milk produced in Texas is about

10.7 billion pounds

That's equal to

1.24 billion gallons



There are **44** milk processing plants throughout the state of Texas

Each dairy cow in Texas provides an average of

2,733 gallons



That's equal to

7.5 gallons per day



Within the United States, Texas is



7th in milk production



15th in milk output per cow



In 2017, the cost of a Texas dairy cow was about **\$1,161**

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



\$11.37



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

\$1.9 billion

In 2017, Texas dairy exports totaled

\$247 million



All facts are based on 2017 USDA data.

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