

2017 Mississippi Dairy Facts



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is home to approximately
10,000
milk cows

who live on
75
dairy farms



A typical Mississippi dairy farm has a herd of about

133

milking cows



Each dairy cow in Mississippi provides an average of



1,674
gallons

of milk per year

That's an average of

5.5 gallons of milk per day

That's enough to make 4.7 pounds of cheese or 2.2 pounds of butter each day



Brought to you by the dairy farm families of Mississippi.

The total amount of milk produced in the state amounted to

144 million pounds

That's equal to

17 million gallons



In 2016, a dairy cow in Mississippi cost about



\$1,760

The average value of a day's milk per cow was about

\$7.68



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

\$23.4 million



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97%

of all milk produced in 2016 was used and consumed in the form of fluid milk

Mississippi has two commercial milk processing plants located in **Hattiesburg** and **Kosciusko** and **eight on-farm bottling plants**

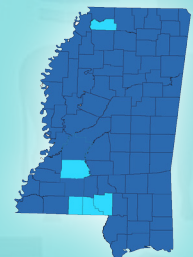
Mississippi is...

41st in milk production

41st in number of milk cows

46th in milk output per cow

38th in the number of licensed dairy operations



Top milk producing counties:

- 1) Marion
- 2) Tate
- 3) Walthall
- 4) Pike
- 5) Copiah

