

# 2018 LOUISIANA DAIRY FACTS

Your milk starts on one of

# 101

dairy farms in Louisiana



A typical Louisiana dairy farm has a herd of about

# 126

 milking cows

Louisiana is home to approximately



# 12,000

 milk cows

Each Louisiana dairy cow provides an average of

# 1,550

gallons of milk per year

That's about

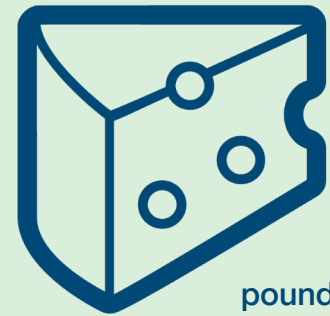
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 gallons of milk per day

Which is enough to make 

# 2.1

 pounds of butter



Or 

# 4.4

 pounds of cheese



The total amount of milk produced in the state amounted to

# 160

 million pounds

That's equal to

# 18.6

 million gallons

of all milk produced in 2017 was used and consumed in the form of fluid milk

In 2017, a dairy cow in Louisiana cost about

# \$1,615



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

# \$7.67



**2017** top milk producing counties were:

1. Tangipahoa (74.0 million pounds)
2. Washington (51.0 million pounds)
3. De Soto
4. St. Helena (7.2 million pounds)
5. Franklin

Louisiana is

# 40<sup>th</sup>

 in milk production

# 39<sup>th</sup>

 in number of dairy cows in the United States

# 48<sup>th</sup>

 in milk output per cow

# 36<sup>th</sup>

 in the number of licensed dairy operations

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