

2017 South Carolina Dairy Facts



SOUTH CAROLINA
is home to approximately
15,000
milk cows

who live on
52
dairy farms



A typical South Carolina dairy farm has a herd of about

250
milking cows



Each dairy cow in South Carolina provides an average of



1,938
gallons
of milk per year

That's an average of

6.4 gallons of milk per day

That's enough to make
5.5 pounds of cheese or
2.6 pounds of butter each day



Brought to you by the dairy farm families of South Carolina.

The total amount of milk produced in the state amounted to

250 million pounds

That's equal to

29 million gallons



In 2016, a dairy cow in South Carolina cost about



\$1,760

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

\$8.99



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

\$41 million



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99%

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

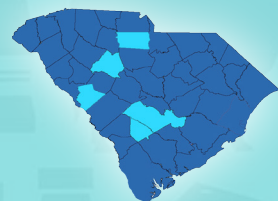
South Carolina has four commercial milk processing plants located in **North Charleston, Spartanburg, Edgefield and Walterboro**

South Carolina is...
38th in milk production

36th in number of milk cows

41st in milk output per cow

43rd in the number of licensed dairy operations



Top milk producing counties:

- 1) Newberry
- 2) Orangeburg
- 3) Bamberg
- 4) Chester
- 5) Edgefield

