

2017 Tennessee Dairy Facts



TENNESSEE

is home to approximately
42,000
milk cows

who live on
300
dairy farms



A typical Tennessee dairy farm has a herd of about

140

milking cows



Each dairy cow in Tennessee provides an average of



1,927
gallons

of milk per year

That's an average of

6.3 gallons of milk per day

That's enough to make 5.4 pounds of cheese or 2.6 pounds of butter each day



The total amount of milk produced in the state amounted to

696 million pounds

That's equal to

81 million gallons



In 2016, a dairy cow in Tennessee cost about



\$1,760

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

\$8.94



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

\$114.6 million



98%

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

Tennessee has six commercial milk processing plants located in **Nashville (2), Murfreesboro, Memphis, Powell and Athens**

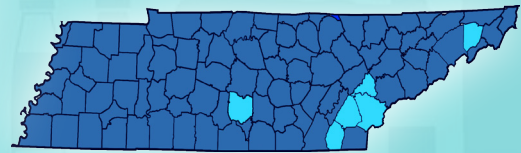
Tennessee is...

30th in milk production

30th in number of milk cows

42nd in milk output per cow

19th in the number of licensed dairy operations



Top milk producing counties:

- 1) Loudon (102.1 million pounds)
- 2) Monroe (53.8 million pounds)
- 3) Bradley (47.2 million pounds)
- 4) Bedford (42.1 million pounds)
- 5) McMinn (35.9 million pounds)
- 6) Washington (33.7 million pounds)

Brought to you by the dairy farm families of Tennessee.

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