

## **Idaho Dairy Facts (sidebar)**

The four regions of the state that produce milk are: (production and dollar value based on statewide averages):

Northern Idaho Area: (10 producers)

696 cows

14.977 million pounds of milk production

\$2.13 million value at the farm

Magic Valley Area: (347 producers)

341,468 cows

7.35 billion pounds of milk production

\$1.043 billion value at the farm

Treasure Valley Area: (145 producers)

92,909 cows

2.00 billion pounds of milk production

\$283.9 million value at the farm

Eastern Idaho Area: (217 producers)

35,657 cows

767.3 million pounds of milk production

\$108.96 million value at the farm

- Idaho's dairy industry is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest manufacturer of natural cheese in the U.S. making more than 620 million pounds annually in the state.
- Idaho's dairy industry is also the 4<sup>th</sup> largest manufacturer of American style cheese in the U.S. making more than 482 million pounds annually in the state.
- Approximately 40.1 million gallons of Idaho produced milk is processed into fluid milk for drinking.
- Idaho's manufacturing and distribution plants are some of the most modern and efficient in the U. S. with sales estimated at approximately \$2.5 billion.
- Livestock cash receipts totaled and estimated \$2.6 billion dollars.

Sources:

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