

2018 KENTUCKY DAIRY FACTS

Your milk starts on one of

600

dairy farms in Kentucky



A typical Kentucky dairy farm has a herd of about

93

milking cows



Kentucky is home to approximately



56,000 milk cows

Each Kentucky dairy cow provides an average of

2,162

gallons of milk per year

That's about

7.1

gallons of milk per day

Which is enough to make

2.9

pounds of butter



Or **6.1**

pounds of cheese



The total amount of milk produced in the state amounted to

1.00

billion pounds

That's equal to

121

million gallons



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

In 2017, a dairy cow in Kentucky cost about

\$1,615



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

\$11.03



2017 top milk producing counties were:

1. Barren (122.6 million pounds)
2. Logan
3. Adair (94.2 million pounds)
4. Christian (85.8 million pounds)
5. Warren

Kentucky is

27th

in milk production

27th

in number of dairy cows in the United States

37th

in milk output per cow



13th

in the number of licensed dairy operations

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