

Vermont Dairy Data – October 14, 2019

Category	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	1 st Q 2019	2 nd Q 2019	3 rd Q 2109	4 th Q 2019
Ave. Milk Price	\$16.07	\$19.99	\$17.98	\$19.60	\$23.63	\$16.49	\$15.25	\$16.78	\$15.44	\$16.10	\$17.16	\$18.21	
Class III price	\$14.41	\$18.37	\$17.44	\$17.99	\$22.34	\$15.80	\$14.87	\$15.92	\$14.61	\$14.30	\$16.20	\$17.82	
MILC Payment – USDA	\$0.02	\$0.00	\$0.7281	\$0.2586	\$0.00	MPP/MC P Margin level	\$8.01	\$9.68	\$7.53	\$8.09	\$8.82	\$9.56	
# of VT Cow Dairy Farms	1,015	996	972	939	880	853	838	796	725	697	681	673	662
Milk Production USDA	2.52b lbs.	2.54b lbs.	2.56 b lbs.	2.615 b lbs.	2.672 billion	2.666 Billion	2.724 billion	2.728 Billion	2.680 Billion	225 mil. lb. ave./mo	229 mil. Lb. ave./mo	228 mil. Lb. ave./mo	
Ave. # of cows in VT USDA	137,000	134,000	133,000	133,000	132,000	132,000	130,000	128,667	126,833	126,000	126,000	126,000	
Ave. # of cows/ farm	133	135	138	142	150	155	155	162	175	181	185	187	
Certified Organic Cow Dairy Farms	203	204	205	198	184	184	203	199	190	190	190	190	
Off-Farm Dairy Processors	26	27	29	36	58	64	78	79	83	83	85	86	
On-Farm Dairy Processors	40	53	54	59	62	71	67	68	63	63	65	66	
Total Dairy Processors	66	80	83	95	120	135	145	147	146	146	150	152	

Greatest Cow numbers 154,000 in 2002. Total Dairy Processors in 2002= 58

Vermont Dairy Cow Operations by County – 2019

County	Jan.	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	% change prior month	% change since Jan.	Ave. #
Addison	107	107	106	104	102	102	101	103	102	99			-2.9%	-7.5%	103
Bennington	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12			0.0%	0.0%	12
Caledonia	54	54	54	53	53	53	53	53	53	53			0.0%	-1.9%	53
Chittenden	37	37	37	37	39	40	40	40	40	41			2.5%	10.8%	39
Essex	14	14	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	12			0.0%	-14.3%	13
Franklin	125	124	124	121	118	118	118	116	116	115			-0.9%	-8.0%	120
Grand Isle	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	12			0.0%	-7.7%	12
Lamoille	25	25	25	25	25	26	26	26	26	26			0.0%	4.0%	26
Orange	63	63	63	64	64	62	62	60	60	60			0.0%	-4.8%	62
Orleans	116	116	115	115	112	111	111	111	111	107			-3.6%	-7.8%	113
Rutland	51	49	49	49	48	48	48	48	48	47			-2.1%	-7.8%	49
Washington	32	32	32	30	30	30	29	29	29	29			0.0%	-9.4%	30
Windham	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23			0.0%	0.0%	23
Windsor	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28			0.0%	0.0%	28
TOTAL	700	697	694	687	678	677	675	673	672	664			-1.2%	-5.1%	682

Ave. # of dairy farms- 2011 – 996, 2012 – 972, 2013 -939, 2014 -880, 2015 – 853, 2016 -838, 2017 – 796 & 2018 - 725

Dairy Cow Farms By Size – Milking cows

	LFO – over 700	MFO – 200 – 699	SFO –under 200	Total
2011	18	148	830	996 yr ave.
2012	17	145	810	972
2013	17	142	780	939
2014	25	129	726	880
2015	26	127	700	853
2016	27	138	673	838
2017	32	117	250 CSFO -647	796
2018	34	104	273 CSFO - 587	725

CSFO as of January 31, 2018. Certified Small Farms have 50 - milking cows to 199 cows.