

Vermont Dairy Data – August 6, 2020

Category	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 1 st Q	2020 2 nd Q	2020 3 rd Q
Ave. Milk Price	\$19.99	\$17.98	\$19.60	\$23.63	\$16.49	\$15.25	\$16.78	\$15.44	\$17.46	\$17.56	\$14.03	n/a
Class III price	\$18.37	\$17.44	\$17.99	\$22.34	\$15.80	\$14.87	\$15.92	\$14.61	\$16.96	\$16.77	\$15.41	\$24.54
MILC Payment – USDA	\$0.00	\$0.728	\$0.258	\$0.00	MPP/MC P Margin level	\$8.01	\$9.68	\$7.53	\$9.60	\$9.98	\$7.13	n/a
# of VT Cow Dairy Farms	996	972	939	880	853	838	796	725	677	646	647	634
Milk Production USDA	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	2.695 Billion	224 mil./mo	219 mil./mo	n/a
Ave. # of cows in VT USDA	134,000	133,000	133,000	132,000	132,000	130,000	128,667	126,833	125,583	124,000	123,333	n/a
Ave. # of cows/ farm	135	138	142	150	155	155	162	175	185	192	191	n/a
Certified Organic Cow Dairy Farms	204	205	198	184	184	203	199	190	187	187	187	187
Off-Farm Dairy Processors	27	29	36	58	64	78	79	83	88	88	88	87
On-Farm Dairy Processors	53	54	59	62	71	67	68	63	66	66	66	64
Total Dairy Processors	80	83	95	120	135	145	147	146	154	154	154	151

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

Vermont Dairy Cow Operations by County – 2020

County	Jan.	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	% change prior month	% change since Jan.	Ave. #
Addison	98	97	97	99	99	99	99	97					-2.02%	-1.02%	98
Bennington	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	9					0.00%	-10.00%	10
Caledonia	51	51	51	51	52	51	51	49					-3.92%	-3.92%	51
Chittenden	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40					0.00%	0.00%	40
Essex	12	12	12	12	12	12	11	11					0.00%	-8.33%	12
Franklin	115	115	115	116	116	114	114	114					0.00%	-0.87%	115
Grand Isle	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10					0.00%	0.00%	10
Lamoille	25	25	25	25	25	24	24	24					0.00%	-4.00%	25
Orange	56	56	56	56	57	56	56	55					-1.79%	-1.79%	56
Orleans	107	106	106	105	104	100	102	102					0.00%	-4.67%	104
Rutland	45	44	44	44	44	43	44	41					-6.82%	-8.89%	44
Washington	28	27	27	29	30	30	29	28					-3.45%	0.00%	29
Windham	23	23	23	23	23	22	22	21					-4.55%	-8.70%	23
Windsor	29	29	29	29	29	29	28	28					0.00%	-3.45%	29
TOTAL	649	645	645	649	651	640	639	629					-1.56%	-3.08%	643

Ave. # dairy farms- 2011 – 996, 2012 – 972, 2013 -939, 2014 -880, 2015 – 853, 2016 -838, 2017 – 796, 2018 – 725 & 2019 - 677

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
2019	33	105	268 CSFO - 539	677

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