

NUMBER OF COWS OTHER THAN MILK COWS AND NUMBER OF MILK COWS, FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1920 TO 1959



Whole Milk and Cream Sold.—Data for whole milk and cream relate to the entire calendar year 1959. The data presented are estimates (except for Alaska and Hawaii) based upon tabulation of reports obtained for a sample of farms. All milk and cream sold from the farm (except quantities purchased from some other place and then resold) was to be included, regardless of who shared the receipts.

The questionnaire provided alternative units of measure for reporting the quantity of whole milk sold for all States except Hawaii. The units of measure specified were: Pounds, gallons, and pounds of butterfat for States in the conterminous United States; pounds and gallons for Alaska; and quarts for Hawaii.

The quantity of whole milk sold is published in pounds. Conversion from gallons to pounds was made by multiplying the number of gallons by 8.6. Pounds of butterfat in whole milk sold were converted into pounds of milk on the basis of the average butterfat content of milk in each State as furnished by the Agricultural Marketing Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Cream sold was enumerated in pounds of butterfat in 49 States. The inquiry regarding cream sold was not made in Hawaii. In tables showing total pounds of milk sold, cream was converted into equivalent pounds of whole milk sold. The conversion factors used are shown by States in table 28.