Table 23.–COWS AND MILK COWS–FARMS REPORTING, 1900 TO

[Data for 1959, 1954, and 1950 in Table 20. See

	Region, division, and State	Cows, including heifers that have calved										Milk cows	
		Farms reporting			Number							Farms reporting	
		1945	1940	1935	1945 (Jan. 1)	1940 (Apr. 1)	1935 (Jan. 1)	1930 (Apr. 1)	1925 (Jan. 1)	1920 (Jan. 1)	1900 (June 1)	1940	1930
1	U. S.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	32,352,964	28,731,816	4,644,987	4,453,624
2	Conterminous U. S.	4,542,821	4,725,285	5,376,930	44,156,337	33,523,185	36,930,584	28,335,949	32,553,845	32,300,293	28,694,827	4,644,317	4,452,936
3	The North	1,999,448	2,134,533	2,409,500	22,396,024	18,372,406	19,715,332	15,821,608	17,963,128	17,698,332	15,494,483	2,099,794	2,115,659
4	The South	2,213,477	2,256,602	2,583,120	14,799,931	10,146,078	11,596,280	8,124,405	9,156,304	9,515,712	9,537,033	2,227,789	2,047,665
5	The West	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	5,138,920	3,700,300	317,404	290,300
6	Conterminous area	329,896	334,150	384,310	6,960,382	5,004,701	5,618,972	4,389,936	5,434,413	5,086,249	3,663,311	316,734	289,612
	Geographic Divisions:												
7	New England	82,953	86,987	110,399	819,892	770,805	820,116	692,280	808,291	865,365	960,097	86,620	92,506
8	Middle Atlantic	236,632	252,896	298,997	2,672,538	2,380,775	2,379,470	2,069,333	2,415,732	2,558,033	2,758,038	251,276	277,660
9	East North Central	777,275	841,748	939,285	7,526,136	6,382,175	6,558,255	5,168,887	5,921,311	5,845,492	4,482,370	832,353	824,819
10	West North Central	902,588	952,902	1,060,819	11,377,458	8,838,651	9,957,491	7,891,108	8,817,794	8,429,442	7,293,978	929,545	920,674
11	South Atlantic	715,857	706,929	812,411	3,049,067	2,273,737	2,563,107	1,798,115	2,357,178	2,403,146	2,025,399	698,364	632,985
12	East South Central	764,481	776,315	878,066	3,285,024	2,360,722	2,691,894	1,873,808	2,038,640	2,185,652	1,527,776	770,473	710,526
13	West South Central	733,139	773,358	892,643	8,465,840	5,511,619	6,341,279	4,452,482	4,760,486	4,926,914	5,983,858	758,952	704,154
14	Mountain	164,234	173,777	208,700	4,379,750	3,000,996	3,628,727	2,848,823	3,698,386	3,433,411	2,580,442	160,994	152,278
15	Pacific	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,705,509	1,119,858	156,410	138,022
16	Conterminous area	165,662	160,373	175,610	2,580,632	2,003,705	1,990,245	1,541,113	1,736,027	1,652,838	1,082,869	155,740	137,334
	New England:												
17	Maine	25,898	27,153	34,380	140,255	138,206	158,444	129,906	158,260	182,517	186,075	26,988	28,951
18	New Hampshire	9,733	10,630	13,469	76,849	73,888	87,239	70,187	84,319	99,628	128,138	10,572	11,018
19	Vermont	17,503	18,726	22,653	312,217	284,918	291,872	256,302	281,583	293,341	291,909	18,676	21,171
20	Massachusetts	16,227	15,864	19,782	144,153	138,555	137,884	121,247	146,835	151,864	194,508	15,806	16,473
21	Rhode Island	1,901	1,801	2,620	22,115	19,691	21,762	19,442	22,104	22,268	25,039	1,801	2,249
22	Connecticut	11,691	12,813	17,495	124,303	115,547	122,915	95,196	115,190	115,747	134,428	12,777	12,644
	Middle Atlantic:												
23	New York	104,245	115,138	135,054	1,504,469	1,374,140	1,325,966	1,185,769	1,387,710	1,502,325	1,600,074	114,738	127,103
24	New Jersey	12,204	12,472	15,622	156,216	139,699	133,206	106,644	124,750	133,153	165,384	12,409	13,890
25	Pennsylvania	120,183	125,286	148,321	1,011,853	866,936	920,298	776,920	903,272	922,555	992,580	124,129	136,667
	East North Central:												
26	Ohio	171,788	187,866	213,390	1,215,679	1,052,340	1,127,423	857,719	1,016,937	1,025,472	905,279	185,725	183,748
27	Indiana	143,654	154,995	176,035	1,011,693	853,528	910,951	687,055	762,021	779,382	662,895	152,575	152,118
28	Illinois	172,452	186,335	207,720	1,585,950	1,279,154	1,428,558	1,048,229	1,236,994	1,319,222	1,236,595	183,069	183,435
29	Michigan	131,739	144,973	161,946	1,105,602	968,736	934,739	737,796	876,090	852,712	610,110	143,931	138,522
30	Wisconsin	157,642	167,579	180,194	2,607,212	2,228,417	2,156,584	1,838,088	2,029,269	1,868,704	1,067,491	167,053	166,996
	West North Central:												
31	Minnesota	163,385	174,622	185,214	1,972,149	1,797,165	1,869,146	1,500,676	1,657,560	1,481,362	822,197	173,454	167,057
32	Iowa	187,455	195,903	206,248	2,115,753	1,940,347	2,030,527	1,561,104	1,825,209	1,746,582	1,884,679	192,364	184,660
33	Missouri	209,383	219,891	245,328	1,792,316	1,332,814	1,419,605	1,171,652	1,149,641	1,195,634	1,089,584	210,437	197,822
34	North Dakota	59,930	63,030	73,903	899,211	611,503	709,049	579,276	640,462	581,791	233,649	62,096	66,459
35	South Dakota	61,322	62,601	73,647	1,155,259	737,415	848,436	765,312	885,964	910,481	540,919	60,530	66,827
36	Nebraska	99,857	106,051	121,753	1,685,683	1,256,484	1,521,202	1,157,200	1,355,660	1,267,312	1,186,569	103,857	106,790
37	Kansas	121,256	130,804	154,726	1,757,087	1,162,923	1,559,526	1,155,888	1,303,298	1,246,280	1,536,381	126,807	131,059
	South Atlantic:												
38	Delaware	5,262	5,598	7,060	40,354	33,950	36,036	30,777	36,253	33,775	34,457	5,564	6,248
39	Maryland	26,589	27,477	32,454	241,147	192,916	197,792	168,632	191,741	172,368	156,774	27,154	29,943
40	District of Columbia	5	15	25	568	560	505	456	592	714	1,289	15	38
41	Virginia	130,059	131,902	150,845	592,649	450,747	467,118	364,173	425,617	419,010	322,611	130,689	124,552
42	West Virginia	74,435	79,487	89,768	309,592	254,727	299,170	211,868	266,945	252,870	242,471	78,338	65,782
43	North Carolina	185,434	180,926	202,063	426,579	356,175	404,275	279,522	337,284	348,359	294,260	179,816	150,333
44	South Carolina	95,361	91,062	106,657	217,232	177,202	214,532	147,264	206,947	237,512	168,919	90,485	83,096
45	Georgia	165,517	160,971	189,988	598,796	428,354	567,157	388,152	529,638	604,966	440,076	159,144	151,294
46	Florida	33,195	29,491	33,551	622,150	379,106	376,522	207,271	362,161	333,572	364,542	27,159	21,699
	East South Central:												
47	Kentucky	195,108	203,410	228,128	796,548	612,423	676,782	510,212	521,650	520,664	415,770	201,709	185,406
48	Tennessee	191,317	195,664	219,642	806,354	606,154	677,593	464,534	518,750	510,501	371,236	194,221	177,119
49	Alabama	184,685	183,855	215,147	710,653	494,809	585,543	400,984	469,725	522,462	355,823	182,729	177,402
50	Mississippi	193,371	193,386	215,149	971,469	647,336	751,976	498,078	528,515	632,025	384,947	191,814	170,599
	West South Central:												
51	Arkansas	152,845	162,348	192,150	733,811	529,189	616,247	372,483	440,187	535,350	392,134	161,156	142,861
52	Louisiana	103,099	106,542	114,838	891,099	545,585	579,385	355,433	394,815	429,598	309,584	105,352	83,280
53	Oklahoma	145,401	157,520	187,933	1,668,921	1,104,262	1,311,183	856,020	843,725	947,021	1,051,237	155,020	152,843
54	Texas	331,794	346,948	397,722	5,172,009	3,332,583	3,834,464	2,868,546	3,081,759	3,014,945	4,230,903	337,424	325,170
	Mountain:												
55	Montana	30,139	31,842	40,373	902,110	514,482	725,139	511,226	590,432	511,729	356,549	29,054	29,196
56	Idaho	34,535	36,469	38,221	464,902	342,875	374,526	248,675	291,636	302,342	152,535	35,710	31,396
57	Wyoming	11,231	12,615	14,451	519,709	389,970	418,464	347,907	346,025	334,123	263,131	11,656	10,064
58	Colorado	36,849	39,261	49,246	866,789	584,638	761,662	603,205	683,133	721,420	583,155	37,583	40,025
59	New Mexico	20,083	20,935	27,718	673,437	454,651	581,563	504,338	731,055	702,134	519,640	18,439	13,905
60	Arizona	8,128	9,798	12,033	382,235	351,688	397,321	318,077	613,460	461,099	375,684	6,649	5,545
61	Utah	20,619	20,156	23,781	304,409	195,043	211,708	192,922	251,570	241,852	162,754	19,621	20,174
62	Nevada	2,650	2,701	2,877	266,159	167,649	158,344	122,473	191,075	158,712	166,994	2,282	1,973
	Pacific:												
63	Washington	57,832	58,610	62,128	509,086	417,645	412,903	287,719	337,793	303,194	165,627	57,648	47,013
64	Oregon	47,902	47,271	50,159	599,224	457,852	487,442	352,637	413,174	406,170	305,547	46,203	39,224
65	California	59,928	54,492	63,323	1,472,322	1,128,208	1,089,900	900,757	985,060	943,474	611,695	51,889	51,097
66	Alaska	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	304	13	244	103
67	Hawaii	NA	709	NA	NA	69,013	NA	NA	NA	52,367	36,976	426	585

NA Not available.
[1]Estimated on the basis of age distribution of dairy cows and heifers reported in the 1920 Census.

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Tables 2, 3, and 5, and text for comparability of statistics]

Milk cows—Continued															
Farms reporting—Continued				Number											
1925	1920	1910	1900	1940 (Apr. 1)	1930 (Apr. 1)	1925 (Jan. 1)	1920 (Jan. 1)	1910[1] (Apr. 15)	1900 (June 1)	1890 (June 1)	1880 (June 1)	1870 (June 1)	1860 (June 1)	1850 (June 1)	
NA	4,461,773	5,141,397	4,514,210	24,086,593	20,510,073	NA	19,680,188	17,132,563	17,139,674	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1
3,728,587	4,461,296	5,140,869	4,513,895	24,074,424	20,498,955	17,644,867	19,675,297	17,125,471	17,135,633	16,511,950	12,443,120	8,935,332	8,585,735	6,385,094	2
1,810,935	2,097,596	2,546,115	2,503,655	15,316,110	13,312,884	11,855,009	12,901,117	11,326,051	11,986,550	11,592,060	8,592,826	6,127,029	5,172,465	3,752,722	3
1,660,131	2,077,950	2,334,605	1,835,841	6,627,892	5,372,390	4,167,242	5,233,388	4,697,263	4,282,555	4,199,123	3,428,201	2,495,528	3,097,750	2,603,169	4
NA	286,227	260,677	174,714	2,142,591	1,824,799	NA	1,545,683	1,109,249	870,569	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	5
257,521	285,750	260,149	174,399	2,130,422	1,813,681	1,622,616	1,540,792	1,102,157	866,528	720,767	422,093	312,775	315,520	29,203	6
119,943	124,024	147,028	154,663	756,570	680,621	791,711	842,928	699,421	893,478	822,001	746,656	642,593	679,930	608,219	7
327,894	349,196	400,473	423,579	2,341,362	2,039,150	2,352,155	2,498,270	2,216,954	2,602,788	2,529,060	2,444,089	2,190,429	1,935,999	1,580,284	8
813,181	889,353	1,009,479	1,000,503	5,933,190	4,902,359	5,027,084	5,050,798	4,013,904	3,962,481	3,752,237	2,990,852	2,247,683	1,945,316	1,287,739	9
549,917	735,023	989,135	924,910	6,284,988	5,690,754	3,684,059	4,509,121	4,395,772	4,527,803	4,488,762	2,411,229	1,046,324	611,220	276,480	10
576,245	741,269	794,716	644,320	1,757,530	1,492,041	1,335,669	1,673,035	1,506,947	1,383,319	1,369,466	1,280,761	1,001,094	1,238,633	1,246,678	11
599,154	744,076	815,423	662,664	1,986,531	1,652,975	1,370,837	1,677,992	1,344,914	1,264,282	1,312,074	1,145,403	835,351	956,912	939,953	12
484,732	592,605	724,466	528,857	2,883,831	2,227,374	1,460,736	1,882,361	1,845,402	1,634,954	1,517,583	1,002,037	659,083	902,205	416,538	13
110,088	135,769	120,328	69,754	859,800	789,561	594,075	619,645	422,678	329,604	218,689	124,844	83,419	47,283	15,496	14
NA	150,458	140,349	104,960	1,282,791	1,035,238	NA	926,038	686,571	540,965	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	15
147,433	149,981	139,821	104,645	1,270,622	1,024,120	1,028,541	921,147	679,479	536,924	502,078	297,249	229,356	268,237	13,707	16
37,671	39,346	46,944	49,161	132,160	124,952	151,277	175,425	126,762	173,592	157,278	150,845	139,259	147,314	133,556	17
14,798	15,925	20,168	22,519	72,399	68,792	81,504	95,997	81,561	115,036	109,423	90,564	90,583	94,880	94,277	18
23,573	25,336	27,947	29,277	281,883	254,520	279,448	290,122	222,838	270,194	231,419	217,033	180,285	174,667	146,128	19
23,196	22,551	27,193	28,162	136,249	119,158	144,898	147,331	145,714	184,562	172,046	150,435	114,771	144,492	130,099	20
2,993	3,126	3,932	4,047	19,543	19,171	21,961	21,431	20,068	23,660	23,943	21,460	18,806	19,700	18,698	21
17,712	17,740	20,844	21,497	114,336	94,028	112,623	112,622	102,478	126,434	127,892	116,319	98,889	98,877	85,461	22
151,371	162,367	184,024	196,366	1,361,600	1,172,546	1,370,060	1,481,918	1,293,058	1,501,608	1,440,230	1,437,855	1,350,661	1,123,634	931,324	23
18,792	20,291	25,275	27,177	138,764	105,331	122,384	130,497	136,035	157,407	161,576	152,078	133,331	138,818	118,736	24
157,731	166,538	191,174	200,036	840,998	761,273	859,711	885,855	787,861	943,773	927,254	854,156	706,437	673,547	530,224	25
182,479	206,669	241,736	244,405	992,864	818,417	839,880	888,057	758,676	818,239	794,833	767,043	654,390	676,585	544,499	26
150,634	160,561	191,828	193,417	746,643	632,735	596,379	608,211	530,157	574,276	579,287	494,944	393,736	363,553	284,554	27
155,568	183,501	228,267	230,625	1,080,669	921,107	833,097	957,313	875,644	1,007,664	1,087,886	865,913	640,321	522,634	294,671	28
153,365	167,274	183,098	175,920	923,779	715,105	806,201	802,095	635,966	563,905	497,611	384,578	250,859	179,543	99,676	29
171,135	171,348	164,550	156,136	2,189,235	1,814,995	1,951,527	1,795,122	1,213,461	998,397	792,620	478,374	308,377	203,001	64,339	30
140,763	144,948	145,584	139,438	1,699,849	1,442,031	1,311,879	1,229,179	870,590	753,632	593,908	275,545	121,467	40,344	607	31
95,431	135,204	202,539	210,276	1,430,279	1,218,663	690,411	897,668	1,153,935	1,423,648	1,498,418	854,187	369,811	189,802	45,704	32
132,097	169,002	245,403	240,140	900,433	819,006	516,787	661,959	714,657	765,386	851,076	661,405	398,515	345,243	230,169	33
39,266	53,745	62,977	35,044	497,664	479,224	312,035	370,707	208,367	125,503	88,289	5,697	4,151	286	...	34
29,880	43,406	61,046	44,197	456,214	487,651	243,336	336,892	306,767	270,634	210,240	34,875				35
42,138	80,470	114,467	105,913	609,459	575,639	229,461	438,459	520,969	512,544	505,045	161,187	28,940	6,995	...	36
70,342	108,248	157,119	149,902	691,090	668,540	380,150	574,257	620,487	676,456	741,786	418,333	123,440	28,550	...	37
7,342	7,521	8,259	7,689	32,424	30,201	33,793	33,026	31,134	32,591	32,574	27,284	24,082	22,595	19,248	38
33,272	35,113	38,826	36,009	184,703	164,434	172,581	161,972	143,349	147,284	142,198	122,907	94,794	99,463	86,856	39
46	94	108	169	558	451	589	704	755	1,251	863	1,292	657	639	813	40
117,341	140,368	148,565	126,792	386,633	334,533	291,651	357,969	305,321	281,876	273,634	243,061	188,471	330,713	317,619	41
49,579	65,621	87,004	80,477	218,769	183,263	137,323	181,206	206,878	205,601	188,492	156,956	104,434			42
143,581	163,866	173,635	144,553	333,101	265,808	252,387	290,223	252,862	233,178	223,416	232,133	196,731	228,623	221,799	43
88,019	115,159	109,179	81,483	159,264	135,283	146,556	187,846	148,621	126,684	107,184	139,881	98,693	163,938	193,244	44
126,181	195,259	202,650	146,044	337,723	302,231	257,151	388,448	325,534	276,024	287,717	315,073	231,310	299,688	334,223	45
10,884	18,268	26,490	21,104	104,355	75,837	43,638	71,641	92,493	78,830	113,388	42,174	61,922	92,974	72,876	46
168,463	206,048	216,181	189,905	547,151	474,298	387,592	441,346	351,277	364,025	364,516	301,882	247,615	269,215	247,475	47
155,648	193,509	205,360	179,025	549,397	428,440	358,530	415,128	333,214	321,676	345,311	303,900	243,197	249,514	250,456	48
151,110	185,481	203,939	154,427	367,241	332,045	304,660	394,112	314,172	279,263	292,088	271,443	170,640	230,537	227,791	49
123,933	159,038	189,943	139,307	522,742	418,192	320,055	427,406	346,251	299,318	310,159	268,178	173,899	207,646	214,231	50
111,916	150,174	163,643	126,235	455,851	338,701	271,157	415,507	342,410	312,577	330,165	249,407	128,959	171,003	93,151	51
30,008	56,544	82,147	63,967	329,894	223,429	97,791	176,936	226,847	184,815	167,223	146,454	102,076	129,662	105,576	52
103,212	119,044	153,693	78,218	748,310	588,957	360,297	456,332	432,445	276,539	16,756	...	...	...	...	53
239,596	266,843	324,983	260,437	1,349,776	1,076,287	731,491	833,586	843,700	861,023	1,003,439	606,176	428,048	601,540	217,811	54
17,586	29,393	16,774	9,526	143,229	151,014	102,769	127,581	64,468	45,036	24,143	11,308	12,432	...	...	55
26,902	29,461	23,116	12,928	211,180	157,580	138,768	115,336	69,628	51,929	27,278	12,838	4,171	...	...	56
5,079	6,818	7,407	3,869	67,459	58,318	32,882	34,997	27,499	18,272	11,684	3,730	707	...	...	57
28,008	36,102	32,660	18,669	207,143	218,933	159,226	192,234	119,029	100,116	76,948	28,770	25,017	...	...	58
8,465	8,799	15,869	4,044	72,397	57,391	39,383	37,805	42,445	16,775	18,507	12,955	16,417	34,369	10,635	59
5,267	5,433	4,000	2,453	40,788	32,978	32,337	31,619	23,170	17,965	4,874	9,156	938	...	...	60
16,914	17,880	18,524	16,581	97,884	95,689	71,330	66,724	62,602	65,905	45,982	32,768	17,563	11,967	4,861	61
1,867	1,883	1,978	1,684	19,720	17,658	17,380	13,349	13,837	13,606	9,273	13,319	6,174	947	...	62
50,057	49,439	42,036	26,042	330,173	243,869	266,216	238,270	153,206	107,232	70,721	27,622	16,938	9,660	...	63
38,258	36,925	36,684	29,414	256,795	206,404	205,057	180,462	143,846	122,447	114,156	59,549	48,325	53,170	9,427	64
59,118	63,617	61,101	49,189	683,654	573,847	557,268	502,415	382,427	307,245	317,201	210,078	164,093	205,407	4,280	65
NA	59	49	3	1,217	653	NA	304	231	13	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	66
NA	418	479	312	10,952	10,465	NA	4,587	6,861	4,028	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	67