

## 2024 DAIRY FACTS

# North Carolina



The **TOTAL** amount of milk produced in 2023 equaled **107 million gallons**



North Carolina is home to about **38,000 dairy cows** — producing an average of — **8.9 gallons of milk per day.**



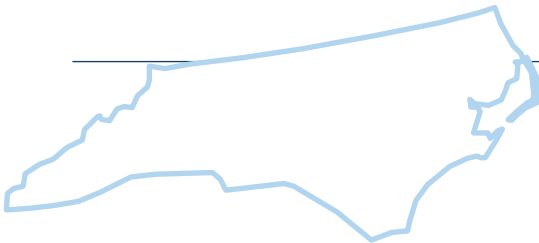
North Carolina has **120 dairy farms**

and a typical dairy farm has a herd of about **317 milking cows.**

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

**\$17**

In 2023, a dairy cow in North Carolina cost about **\$1,690.**



The **TOP THREE** milk-producing counties in North Carolina

1. Iredell
2. Randolph
3. Gaston



The most consumed dairy product in North Carolina is **cheese** followed closely by ice cream.



\*All facts are based on 2023 USDA and NASS Data  
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**MAKING  
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**THE DAIRY  
ALLIANCE**