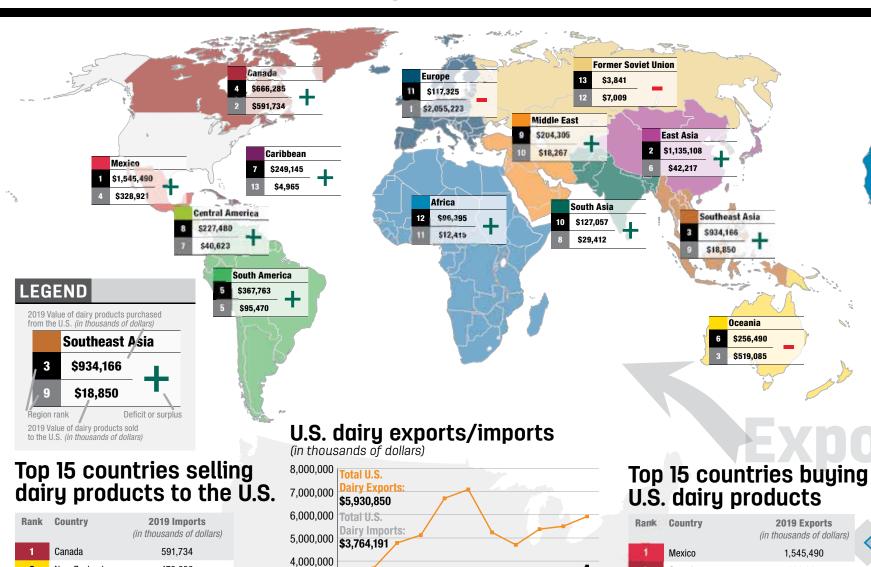
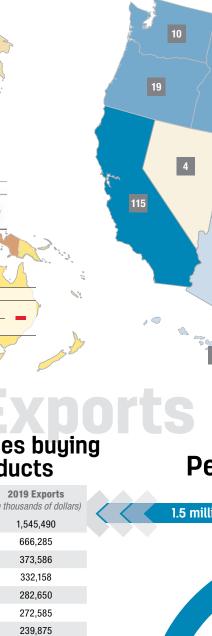
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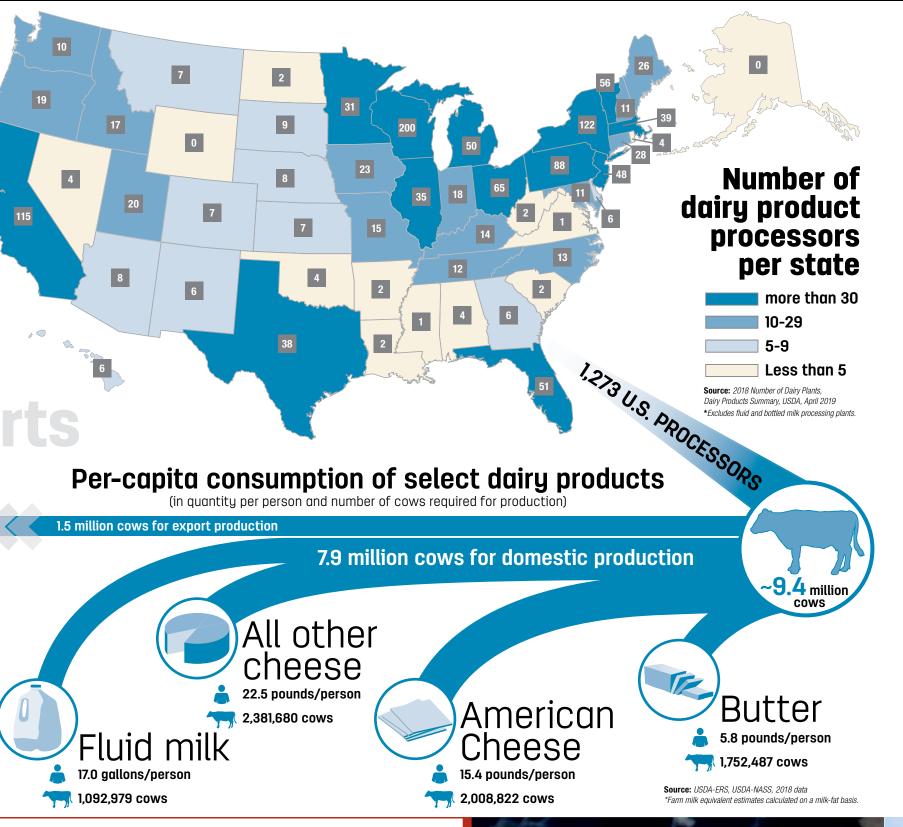
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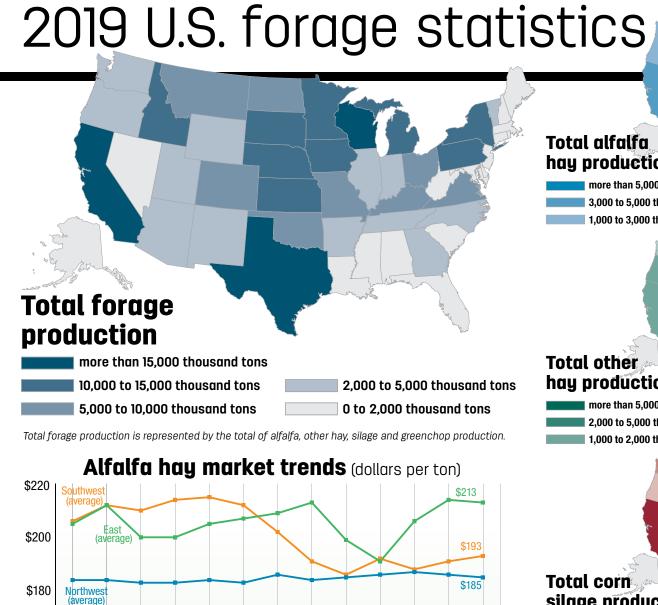
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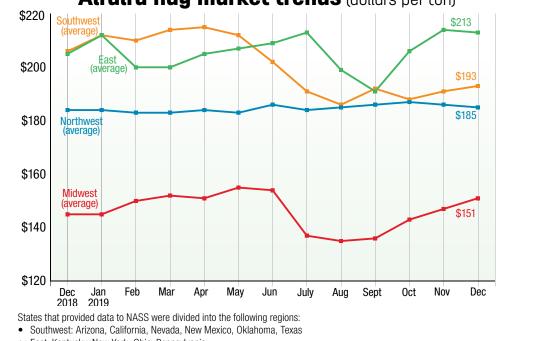
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- Northwest: Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming
- Midwest: Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin

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# DAIRY 2019 U.S. dairy statistics

## Consolidation and attrition pick up speed

Despite the highest milk prices consolidation and attrition picked up speed in 2019. In terms of numbers and percentages, the decline of U.S. dairy herds was the sharpest in at least 15 years.

### U.S. milk production

U.S. milk production hit nearly 218.4 billion pounds in 2019, up about 814 million pounds (0.37%) from 2018. It was the smallest percentage annual growth since 2012-13. Milk production has exceeded year-earlier totals in 21 of the last 23 years (only 2001 and 2009 were exceptions).

production increases during 2019, up a combined 2.83 billion pounds. States posting the largest increases (volume basis) were Texas, Idaho, Colorado and New York. On a percentage basis, the largest increases were in Texas, Colorado, South Dakota and Nevada.

Offsetting those gains, 28 states posted combined production falling 1.98 billion year-to-year declines (volume basis) were in Pennsylvania and Virginia.

Based on annual milk production, there were only minor changes in dairy state rankings in 2019. The top five states are California, Wisconsin, Idaho, New York

### Licensed herds

20,755 (37.7%) since 2009. Year-over-year declines were largest in the Midwest and East, where 3,065 herds either left the industry or were absorbed into other herd Based on annual averages, Wisconsin lost 780 herds during the year, followed by Pennsylvania (-470), New York (-310), Ohio (-260) and Minnesota (-235). Wisconsin remains the nation's leader in the number of herds, at 7,720. The USDA data provides

annual averages; according to data from

had 7,292 dairy farms as of Jan. 1, 2020,

The U.S. cow herd averaged 9.336

million cows in 2019, down 62,000 head

from 2018. Compared to a year earlier, the

largest growth in cow numbers was in Texas

(+10,000). Eleven states had more cows than

(+28,000), Idaho (+16,000) and Colorado

Pennsylvania (-29,000), Arizona

(-11,000), Virginia, Ohio and California

(each -8,000 head) led decliners. In all, 31

states had fewer cows than the year before,

leader in cow numbers, with 1.726 million

head, followed by Wisconsin, with 1.267

The national average dairy herd size

Southwest region showed the largest growth

grew to 273 cows in 2019, up 22 cows

in cows per herd, up 89 head, to 1,426.

Within that region, largest herds were in

New Mexico, which averaged 2,329 cows, a

129-cow jump from 2018. Texas posted the

largest gain from a year earlier, up 144 cows

Dairy herds now average more than

8.9%) from 2018. The seven-state

with just a handful unchanged. California remains the national

down 818 from the year before.

the year before.

the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture

Trade and Consumer Protection, Wisconsi

Twenty states registered annual milk

production decreases during 2019, with pounds compared with 2018. Largest

Among the top 25 states, Colorado moved ahead of Arizona into 13th place; Georgia moved ahead of Illinois into

The annual average number of dair farms commercially licensed to sell milk fell to 34,187 in 2019, a decline of 3,281 (8.8%) from the year before and down

### U.S. dairy industry 15-year overview Total milk Number of Milk per Licen

	Year	(in millions of lbs)	<b>cows</b> (in thousands)	<b>COW</b> (lbs per year)	dairy herds	herd siz	
	2005	176,931	9,050	19,550	64,540	140	
	2006	181,782	9,137	19,895	62,070	147	
	2007	185,654	9,189	20,204	59,130	155	
	2008	189,982	9,315	20,395	57,127	163	
	2009	189,334	9,203	20,573	54,942	168	
	2010	192,848	9,119	21,148	53,132	172	
	2011	196,164	9,194	21,336	51,291	179	
	2012	200,537	9,233	21,720	49,281	187	
	2013	201,231	9,224	21,816	46,975	196	
	2014	206,054	9,257	22,259	44,809	207	
	2015	208,597	9,314	22,396	43,534	214	
	2016	212,405	9,325	22,778	41,819	223	
	2017	215,466	9,392	22,941	40,219	234	
	2018	217,568	9,398	23,150	37,468	251	
	2019	218,382	9,336	23,391	34,187	273	

Milk pe		Numbe licensed		as a % of state's total farm receipts				
p 10		Top 10		Top 10				
ichigan	26,725	Wisconsin	7,720	Vermont	62%			
olorado	25,844	Pennsylvania	5,730	New York	49%			
ew Mexico	25,113	New York	3,880	Wisconsin	46%			
aho	25,010	Minnesota	2,730	New Mexico	41%			
exas	24,513	Ohio	1,940	Louisiana	36%			
yoming	24,433	Michigan	1,330	ldaho	34%			
ebraska	24,293	California	1,255	Pennsylvania	27%			
wa	24,271	Iowa	1,015	Michigan	22%			

1,000 head in eight states (down one state from a year earlier due to a large herd dispersal in Hawaii):

Florida, Idaho, Nevada, New

Mexico and Texas. East of the

Mississippi River, herds still

Nationally, milk production per cow continued a steady annual ncrease of about 1%, up 241 pounds in 2019. By state, toproducing cows were in Michigan Colorado, New Mexico and Idaho, with Texas jumping into fifth.

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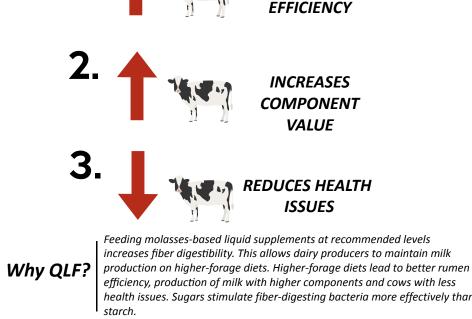
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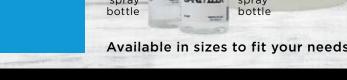
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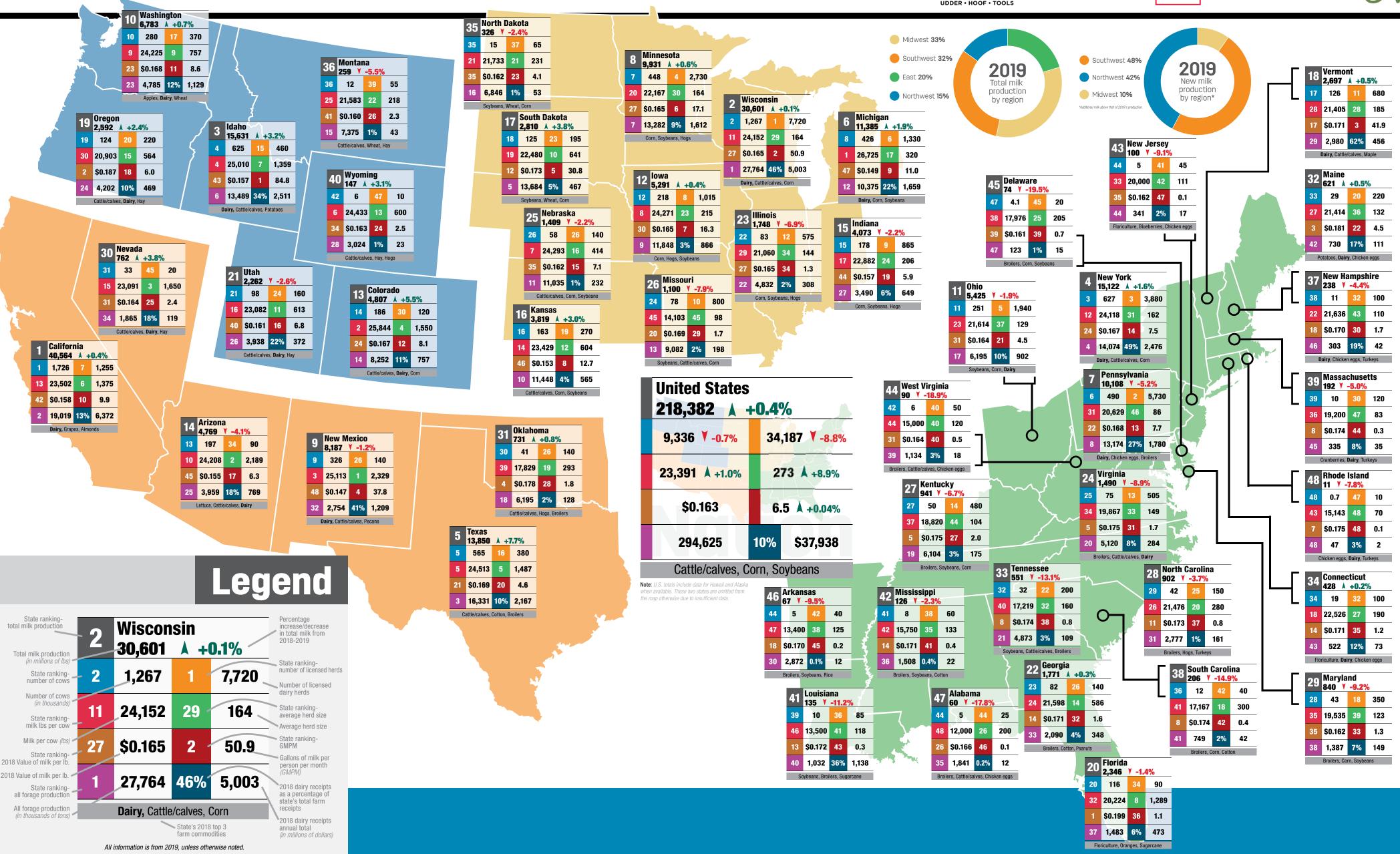
Top 100 dairy counties

Manitowoc Marathon

Parmer

Deaf Smith

State rank- tal milk oduction	State	Total milk production (in millions of lbs)	Total milk production (in millions of lbs)	Change in total milk from 2009-2019	Number of cows (1,000 head)	Number of cows (1,000 head)	Change in number of cows 2009-2019	Milk per cow (lbs. per year)	Milk per cow (lbs. per year)	Change in milk per cow 2009-2019	Number of licensed dairy herds	Number of licensed dairy herds	Change in licensed dairy herds from 2009-2019	Average herd size	Average herd size	Change in average herd size from 2009-2019
		2009	2019		2009	2019		2009	2019		2009	2019		2009	2019	
1	California	39,512	40,564	+1,052	1,840	1,726	-114	22,000	23,502	+1,502	1,820	1,255	-565	1,011	1,375	+364
		25,239	30,601	+5,362	1,255	1,267	+12	20,079	24,152	+4,073	13,170	7,720	-5,450	95	164	+69
3	Idaho	12,150	15,631	+3,481	554	625	+71	22,091	25,010	+2,919	600	460	-140	923	1,359	+435
4	New York	12,424	15,122	+2,698	625	627	+2	20,071	24,118	+4,047	5,480	3,880	-1,600	114	162	48
5	Texas	8,840	13,850	+5,010	430	565	+135	20,898	24,513	+3,615	650	380	-270	662	1,487	+825
		7,968	11,385	+3,417	353	426	+73	22,445	26,725	+4,280	2,310	1,330	-980	153	320	+167
7	Pennsylvania	10,551	10,108	-443	550	490	-60	19,360	20,629	+1,269	7,400	5,730	-1,670	74	86	+11
8	Minnesota	9,019	9,931	+912	468	448	-20	19,230	22,167	+2,937	4,700	2,730	-1,970	100	164	+65
9	New Mexico	7,904	8,187	+283	336	326	-10	24,320	25,113	+793	150	140	-10	2,240	2,329	+89
10	Washington	5,561	6,783	+1,222	244	280	+36	23,171	24,225	+1,054	470	370	-100	519	757	+238
11	Ohio	5,192	5,425	+233	276	251	-25	18,744	21,614	+2,870	3,310	1,940	-1,370	83	129	+46
12	Iowa	4,301	5,291	+990	215	218	+3	20,098	24,271	+4,173	1,890	1,015	-875	114	215	+101
13	Colorado	2,837	4,807	+1,970	130	186	+56	23,065	25,844	+2,779	130	120	-10	1,000	1,550	+550
14	Arizona	4,082	4,769	+687	190	197	+7	23,062	24,208	+1,146	110	90	-20	1,727	2,189	+462
		3,383	4,073	+690	167	178	+11	20,137	22,882	+2,745	1,680	865	-815	99	206	+106
	Kansas	2,488	3,819	+1,331	125	163	+38	21,085	23,429	+2,344	415	270	-145	301	604	+302
17	South Dakota	1,892	2,810	+918	94	125	+31	20,128	22,480	+2,352	425	195	-230	221	641	+420
18	Vermont	2,469	2,697	+228	139	126	-13	18,289	21,405	+3,116	1,050	680	-370	132	185	+53
19	Oregon	2,248	2,592	+344	115	124	+9	19,719	20,903	+1,184	290	220	-70	397	564	+167
20	Florida	2,080	2,346	+266	118	116	-2	18,087	20,224	+2,137	140	90	-50	843	1,289	+446
21	Utah	1,771	2,262	+491	85	98	+13	21,083	23,082	+1,999	240	160	-80	354	613	+258
22	Georgia	1,400	1,771	+371	74	82	+8	18,182	21,598	+3,416	270	140	-130	274	586	+312
23	Illinois	1,862	1,748	-114	102	83	-19	18,255	21,060	+2,805	850	575	-275	120	144	+24
24	Virginia	1,736	1,490	-246	97	75	-22	18,083	19,867	+1,784	715	505	-210	136	149	+13
25		1,198	1,409	+211	59	58	-1	19,639	24,293	+4,654	285	140	-145	207	414	+207
26	Missouri	1,568	1,100	-468	108	78	-30	14,654	14,103	-551	1,740	800	-940	62	98	+35
27	Kentucky	1,192	941	-251	86	50	-36	14,190	18,820	+4,630	1,010	480	-530	85	104	+19
28	North Carolina	884	902	+18	46	42	-4	19,644	21,476	+1,832	290	150	-140	159	280	+121
29	Maryland	1,004	840	-164	56	43	-13	18,255	19,535	+1,280	540	350	-190	104	123	+19
30	Nevada	613	762	+149	28	33	+5	21,893	23,091	+1,198	25	20	-5	1,120	1,650	+530
31	Oklahoma	1,002 596	731	-271	62	41	-21	16,983	17,829	+846	270	140	-130 -100	230	293	+63
32 22	Maine	909	621 551	+25 -358	33 59	29 32	-4 -27	18,061 16,232	21,414	+3,353 +987	320 530	220 200	-330	103 111	132 160	+29 +49
33 34	Tennessee Connecticut	353	428	+75	19	19	NC	18,579	17,219 22,526	+3,947	150	100	-50	127	190	+49
35	North Dakota	387	326	+75 -61	25	15	-10	16,826	21,733	+3,947	215	65	-50 -150	116	231	+03
36	Montana	299	259	-40	16	12	-4	19,933	21,733	+1,650	75	55	-20	213	218	+114
37	New Hampshire	293	238	-55	15	11	-4	19,533	21,636	+2,103	130	100	-30	115	110	+5 -5
38	South Carolina	325	206	-119	17	12	-5	19,118	17,167	-1,951	85	40	-45	200	300	+100
39	Massachusetts	246	192	-54	15	10	-5	17,571	19,200	+1,629	180	120	-60	81	83	+3
40	Wyoming	105	147	+42	7	6	-1	19,036	24,433	+5,397	20	10	-10	350	600	+250
41	Louisiana	271	135	-136	25	10	-15	11,783	13,500	+1,717	170	85	-85	147	118	-29
42	Mississippi	250	126	-124	19	8	-11	13,889	15,750	+1,861	140	60	-80	136	133	-2
43	New Jersey	158	100	-58	10	5	-5	17,556	20,000	+2,444	100	45	-55	95	111	+16
44	West Virginia	162	90	-72	11	6	-5	14,727	15,000	+273	110	50	-60	100	120	+20
45	Delaware	102	74	-28	7	4	-2	17,000	17,976	+976	50	20	-30	130	205	+75
46	Arkansas	165	67	-98	14	5	-9	12,692	13,400	+708	140	40	-100	100	125	+25
47	Alabama	164	60	-104	12	5	-7	14,909	12,000	-2,909	65	25	-40	185	200	+15
48	Rhode Island	20	11	-9	1	1	NC	17,818	15,143	-2,675	20	10	-10	55	70	+15



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