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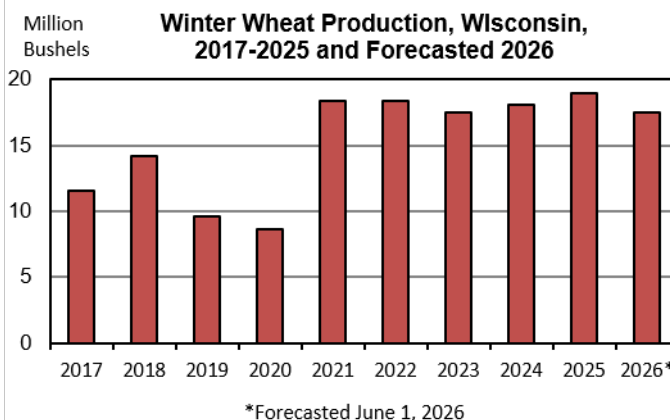


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Crop Production

Winter wheat production in Wisconsin is forecast at 17.5 million bushels, 8 percent below last year's 19.0 million bushels according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – Crop Production report. Based on conditions as of June 1, the state's winter wheat yield is forecast at 75.0 bushels per acre, 1.0 bushel below last year. Wisconsin winter wheat growers intend to harvest 240,000 acres for grain, down 4 percent from 2025.



Winter Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production – Selected States and United States: 2025 and Forecasted June 1, 2026

State	Area harvested 2025 (1,000 acres)	Area harvested 2026 (1,000 acres)	Yield per acre 2025 (bushels)	Yield per acre 2026 (bushels)	Production 2025 (1,000 bushels)	Production 2026 (1,000 bushels)
Idaho	720	720	99.0	97.0	71,280	69,840
Illinois	700	620	88.0	86.0	61,600	53,320
Kansas	6,800	5,800	51.0	35.0	346,800	203,000
Montana	2,120	1,750	47.0	41.0	99,640	71,750
Oklahoma	2,800	2,300	38.0	28.0	106,400	64,400
Washington	1,790	1,800	68.0	68.0	121,720	122,400
Wisconsin	250	240	76.0	73.0	19,000	17,520
United States	25,508	22,015	54.9	46.8	1,401,554	1,029,730

United States

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.03 billion bushels, down 2 percent from the May 1 forecast and down 27 percent from 2025. As of June 1, the United States yield is forecast at 46.8 bushels per acre, down 0.8 bushel from last month and down 8.1 bushels from last year's average yield of 54.9 bushels per acre. Hard Red Winter production, at 497 million bushels, is down 3 percent from last month. Soft Red Winter, at 300 million bushels, is down less than 1 percent from the May forecast. White Winter, at 233 million bushels, is up less than 1 percent from last month. Of the White Winter production, 7.80 million bushels are Hard White and 225 million bushels are Soft White.

Monthly Prices

Corn – The average price received by farmers for corn during April 2026 in Wisconsin was \$4.16 per bushel according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Agricultural Prices* report. This was 6 cents above the March price and 39 cents below April 2025.

Soybeans – The April 2026 average price received by farmers for soybeans, at \$11.00 per bushel, was 20 cents above the March price and \$1.13 above the April 2025 price.

Oats – The April average oat price per bushel, at \$3.56, was 48 cents below March and 23 cents below April 2025.

Hay – All hay prices in Wisconsin averaged \$132.00 per ton in April. This was up \$5.00 from the March price and \$16.00 above the April 2025 price.

Alfalfa Hay – The April 2026 alfalfa hay price, at \$145.00, was \$3.00 above the previous month and \$23.00 above April 2025.

Other Hay – The average price received for other hay during April was \$90.00 per ton. This was \$10.00 above the March price and \$7.00 below April last year.

Prices Received by Farmers – Wisconsin and United States (in dollars)

Crop	Wisconsin April 2025	Wisconsin March 2026	Wisconsin April 2026	United States April 2025	United States March 2026	United States April 2026
Cornbu	4.55	4.10	4.16	4.62	4.27	4.31
Hay, all baled.....ton	116.00	127.00	132.00	165.00	156.00	167.00
Alfalfaton	122.00	142.00	145.00	180.00	166.00	185.00
Otherton	97.00	80.00	90.00	140.00	138.00	133.00
Oatsbu	3.79	4.04	3.56	3.52	3.19	3.17
Soybeansbu	9.87	10.80	11.00	10.20	11.10	11.20

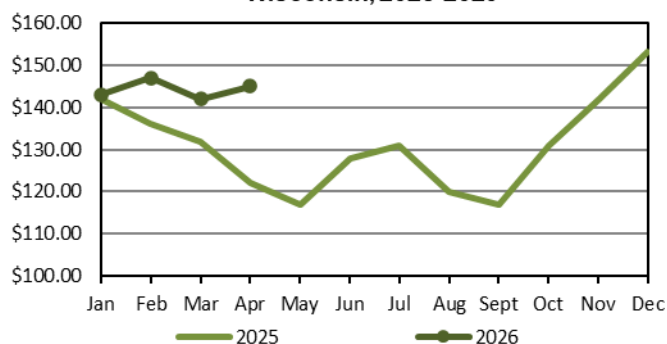
Livestock Prices Received by Farmers – United States (in dollars)

Livestock	April 2025	March 2026	April 2026
Calves cwt	394.00	512.00	523.00
Cattle, all beef cwt	208.00	236.00	242.00
Cows ¹ cwt	142.00	164.00	168.00
Steers & heifers cwt	211.00	240.00	245.00
Hogs, all cwt	65.50	68.70	67.80
Barrows & gilts cwt	65.70	68.30	68.10
Sows cwt	62.40	76.80	63.10
Eggs, market ² doz	3.74	1.26	0.56

¹Beef cows and cull dairy cows for slaughter

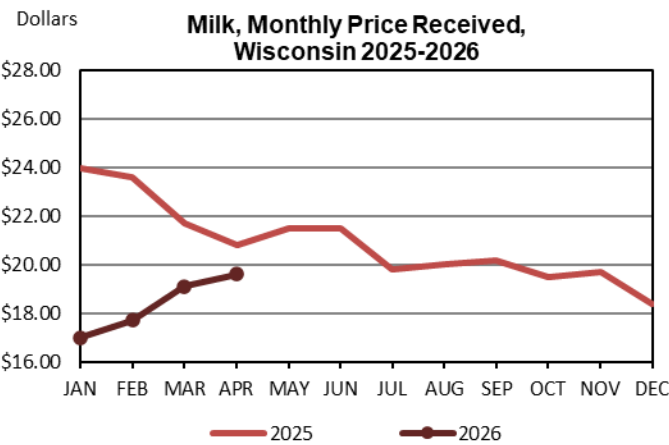
²Also referred to as table eggs

Dollars **Alfalfa Hay (Baled), Monthly Prices Received Wisconsin, 2025-2026**



Milk Prices

The Wisconsin all milk price for April 2026 was \$19.60 per hundredweight (cwt) according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Agricultural Prices* report. This was \$0.50 above last month's price and \$1.20 below last April's price. The U.S. all milk price for April was \$20.80 per cwt, \$1.20 above Wisconsin's price and \$1.10 higher than last month's U.S. price.



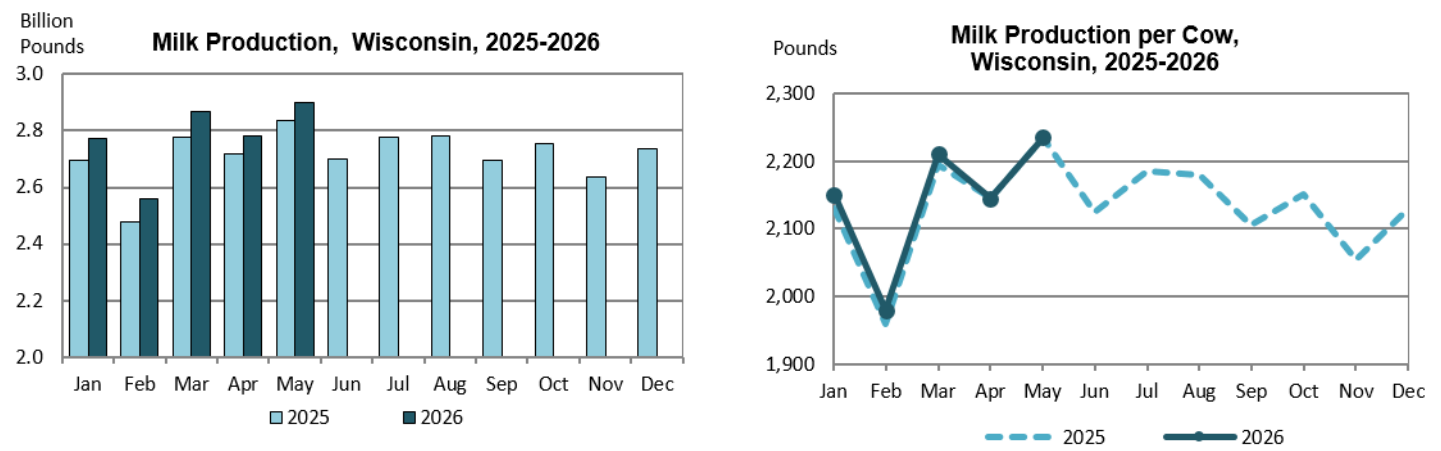
Prices Received for All Milk – Selected States and United States

[Before deduction for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.]

State	April 2025 Price (dollars per cwt)	April 2025 Fat test (percent)	March 2026 Price (dollars per cwt)	March 2026 Fat test (percent)	April 2026 Price (dollars per cwt)	April 2026 Fat test (percent)
Arizona.....	20.80	4.12	18.90	4.14	19.80	4.13
California.....	19.60	4.24	19.00	4.28	20.70	4.26
Colorado	21.30	4.05	18.70	4.07	19.60	4.04
Florida	24.90	3.92	22.40	3.90	24.90	3.88
Georgia	25.00	3.99	23.10	3.99	25.30	3.96
Idaho	21.20	4.34	20.40	4.45	21.10	4.43
Illinois	20.80	4.30	20.00	4.35	21.10	4.28
Indiana	22.50	4.21	20.30	4.20	21.70	4.11
Iowa	20.40	4.43	19.30	4.56	19.70	4.47
Kansas	20.30	4.42	18.70	4.54	19.70	4.45
Michigan.....	21.70	4.30	19.60	4.38	21.10	4.33
Minnesota.....	21.10	4.56	19.60	4.64	20.20	4.59
New Mexico.....	19.80	4.11	18.60	4.25	19.60	4.18
New York.....	22.10	4.34	20.60	4.48	21.70	4.40
Ohio	22.50	4.28	21.20	4.33	22.30	4.26
Oregon	21.80	4.44	20.80	4.48	21.30	4.51
Pennsylvania.....	21.60	4.24	20.10	4.38	21.20	4.29
South Dakota	21.10	4.66	19.50	4.76	20.10	4.67
Texas.....	21.70	4.47	20.10	4.54	21.20	4.51
Utah	20.40	4.19	18.80	4.28	19.80	4.22
Vermont.....	22.40	4.41	20.90	4.55	21.90	4.48
Virginia	24.60	4.10	22.80	4.23	25.00	4.13
Washington	21.30	4.33	20.60	4.50	21.60	4.43
Wisconsin	20.80	4.36	19.10	4.39	19.60	4.33
United States	21.10	4.32	19.70	4.39	20.80	4.34

Milk Production

Milk production in Wisconsin during May 2026 totaled 2.90 billion pounds, up 2 percent from the previous May according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during May, at 1.30 million head, was up 29,000 from May 2025. Monthly production per cow averaged 2,235 pounds, unchanged from last May.



Milk Cows and Production – 24 Selected States: May 2025 and 2026

State	Milk Cows ¹ (1,000 Head) 2025	Milk Cows ¹ (1,000 Head) 2026	Milk Per Cow ² (Pounds) 2025	Milk Per Cow ² (Pounds) 2026	Milk Production ² (Million Pounds) 2025	Milk Production ² (Million Pounds) 2026
Arizona.....	191	196	2,185	2,195	417	430
California.....	1,710	1,714	2,085	2,105	3,565	3,608
Colorado	210	219	2,235	2,240	469	491
Florida	97	102	1,915	1,915	186	195
Georgia	87	88	2,065	2,130	180	187
Idaho	710	727	2,210	2,220	1,569	1,614
Illinois	76	77	1,945	1,950	148	150
Indiana	194	198	2,075	2,075	403	411
Iowa	244	246	2,160	2,160	527	531
Kansas	202	243	2,080	2,095	420	509
Michigan.....	453	465	2,400	2,400	1,087	1,116
Minnesota.....	444	451	2,065	2,075	917	936
New Mexico.....	239	237	2,165	2,175	517	515
New York.....	638	651	2,225	2,220	1,420	1,445
Ohio	258	258	1,960	1,980	506	511
Oregon	116	124	1,830	1,830	212	227
Pennsylvania.....	462	452	1,835	1,840	848	832
South Dakota	233	244	1,995	1,995	465	487
Texas.....	694	722	2,265	2,265	1,572	1,635
Utah	97	101	2,040	2,045	198	207
Vermont.....	113	112	1,915	1,915	216	214
Virginia	67	66	1,840	1,850	123	122
Washington	240	235	2,080	2,105	499	495
Wisconsin	1,268	1,297	2,235	2,235	2,834	2,899
24-State Total	9,043	9,225	2,134	2,143	19,298	19,767

1Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.
2Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Dairy Products

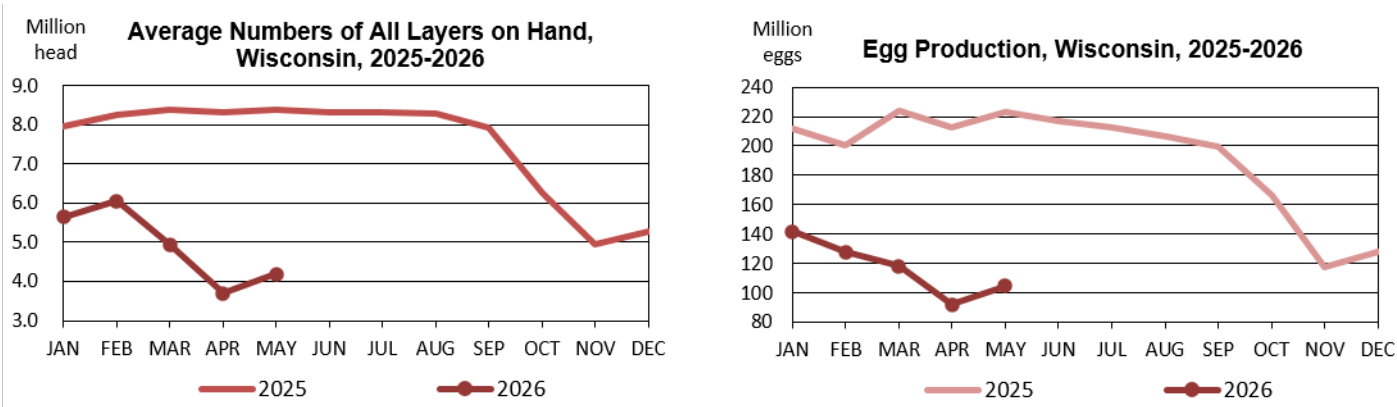
Cheese production in Wisconsin totaled 305 million pounds in April 2026, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Dairy Products* report. This was unchanged from the previous April. American cheese production in Wisconsin was down 14 percent, and Italian cheese production rose 7 percent.

Cheese Production – Wisconsin and United States (by 1000 pounds)

Type	Wisconsin April 2025	Wisconsin March 2026	Wisconsin April 2026	United States April 2025	United States March 2026	United States April 2026
American.....						
Cheddar	62,033	51,817	49,834	341,867	340,182	329,840
Total American.....	94,262	84,104	81,327	495,908	491,917	489,967
Italian						
Mozzarella.....	95,734	97,931	96,767	426,021	421,688	434,894
Total Italian	151,121	160,030	161,980	534,049	542,596	556,275
Total Cheese	305,561	312,977	305,206	1,245,701	1,262,843	1,266,874

Chickens & Eggs

Wisconsin egg production during May 2026 was 105 million eggs, down 53 percent from the previous May, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Chickens and Eggs* report. The average number of all layers on hand during may 2026 was 4.19 million, down 50 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers for May was 2,499, down 6 percent from a year ago.



Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – Wisconsin and United States: May 2025 and 2026

Commodity	Wisconsin 2025	Wisconsin 2026	United States 2025	United States 2026
Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 & above..... 1,000 layers	7,190	3,005	282,117	296,356
Total layers 1,000 layers	8,371	4,186	359,620	375,203
Eggs per 100 layers..... eggs	2,660	2,499	2,443	2,455
Total egg production million eggs	222.7	104.6	8,785.1	9,211.9
Table egg production million eggs	216.4	98.8	7,503.6	7,900.1

2025 County Estimates

Corn, Area Planted for All Purposes, Area Harvested for Grain, Yield, and Production – Wisconsin by County: 2025

County	Area planted for all purposes (acres)	Area harvested for grain (acres)	Yield (bushels per acre)	Production (bushels)		County	Area planted for all purposes (acres)	Area harvested for grain (acres)	Yield (bushels per acre)	Production (bushels)
Adams	30,200	28,900	151.4	4,375,000		Monroe	62,400	43,200	167.9	7,253,000
Barron	97,100	80,600	167.3	13,484,000		Oconto	66,100	44,600	177.1	7,899,000
Brown	72,000	32,200	190.2	6,124,000		Outagamie	86,600	58,000	174.3	10,109,000
Buffalo	67,200	52,200	179.6	9,375,000		Ozaukee	18,600	9,700	184.5	1,790,000
Burnett	15,200	12,900	140.4	1,811,000		Pepin	32,800	24,900	179.5	4,470,000
Calumet	47,900	16,800	187.5	3,150,000		Pierce	88,200	78,000	196.6	15,335,000
Chippewa	94,600	76,300	173.1	13,208,000		Polk	73,900	59,500	173.7	10,335,000
Clark	81,500	37,500	159.5	5,981,000		Portage	53,800	44,700	180.5	8,068,000
Columbia	125,000	109,800	208.5	22,893,000		Price	4,800	2,180	151.8	331,000
Crawford	39,900	37,300	168.5	6,285,000		Racine	36,000	34,400	205.1	7,055,000
Dane	184,000	154,000	214.2	32,983,000		Richland	50,000	39,500	175.0	6,913,000
Dodge	152,000	117,200	203.3	23,827,000		Rock	150,500	139,800	217.4	30,393,000
Door	34,200	26,400	159.4	4,208,000		Rusk	27,800	19,600	158.3	3,103,000
Dunn	110,500	99,100	172.9	17,134,000		Sauk	88,100	77,800	191.9	14,930,000
Eau Claire	49,700	46,700	173.9	8,121,000		Shawano	84,600	44,300	170.4	7,549,000
Fond du Lac	110,000	70,500	204.7	14,431,000		Sheboygan	53,900	34,200	181.1	6,194,000
Grant	164,500	141,300	201.9	28,528,000		St. Croix	101,000	90,100	194.4	17,515,000
Green	117,000	103,300	217.7	22,488,000		Taylor	44,000	33,400	137.3	4,586,000
Green Lake	50,800	47,800	182.4	8,719,000		Trempealeau	92,200	86,500	172.7	14,939,000
Iowa	83,200	70,000	197.0	13,790,000		Vernon	63,300	45,500	182.1	8,286,000
Jackson	49,200	41,000	183.5	7,524,000		Walworth	106,000	100,800	213.6	21,531,000
Jefferson	83,900	75,100	196.1	14,727,000		Washburn	14,000	11,500	158.4	1,822,000
Juneau	44,700	40,400	186.5	7,535,000		Washington	34,400	24,700	177.4	4,382,000
Kenosha	30,300	26,200	193.5	5,070,000		Waukesha	21,300	21,000	195.9	4,114,000
La Crosse	34,300	31,000	172.2	5,338,000		Waupaca	64,200	40,100	167.0	6,697,000
Lafayette	146,000	126,800	217.9	27,636,000		Waushara	38,600	33,000	172.6	5,696,000
Langlade	18,500	10,400	155.8	1,620,000		Wood	42,400	23,300	177.7	4,140,000
Lincoln	11,000	7,590	135.2	1,026,000						
Manitowoc	75,900	35,400	159.0	5,629,000		Other counties ¹	78,200	42,430	157.6	6,687,000
Marathon	125,500	65,900	152.6	10,056,000						
Marinette	40,400	24,000	159.5	3,828,000		Wisconsin	4,150,000	3,220,000	188.0	608,360,000
Marquette	35,400	30,900	163.9	5,065,000						

¹Includes counties not published individually.

Corn, Area Harvested for Silage, Yield, and Production – Wisconsin by County: 2025

County	Area harvested (acres)	Yield (tons per acre)	Production (tons)	County	Area harvested (acres)	Yield (tons per acre)	Production (tons)
Brown	39,000	22	858,000	Marquette	4,310	19	82,000
Buffalo	14,700	25	368,000	Monroe	18,500	23.5	435,000
Calumet	30,800	22	678,000	Oconto	20,500	20.5	420,000
Chippewa	17,900	21	376,000	Pepin	7,350	22.5	165,000
Clark	39,700	17.5	695,000	Pierce	9,650	24.5	236,000
Columbia	14,400	25	360,000	Polk	13,400	20.5	275,000
Crawford	2,340	24.5	57,000	Racine	1,520	23.5	35,700
Dane	28,100	25.5	717,000	Rock	10,600	26	276,000
Dodge	34,700	25	868,000	Rusk	6,310	20.5	129,000
Door	7,420	22.5	167,000	Shawano	39,300	20.5	806,000
Dunn	10,700	22.5	241,000	Sheboygan	19,300	22	425,000
Eau Claire	2,810	20.5	58,000	St. Croix	10,500	22.5	236,000
Fond du Lac	39,300	25	983,000	Taylor	7,650	17	130,000
Forest	240	16.5	4,000	Trempealeau	5,100	24.5	125,000
Green	13,500	25.5	344,000	Vernon	17,200	23.5	404,000
Green Lake	2,730	23	63,000	Walworth	4,880	24.5	120,000
Iowa	12,400	24.5	306,000	Washington	9,140	20.5	187,000
Jackson	7,500	23	173,000	Waukesha	220	21.5	4,700
Juneau	4,060	20.5	83,000	Waupaca	23,800	21.5	512,000
Kenosha	4,020	21	84,000	Waushara	5,440	20	109,000
Kewaunee	29,000	21	609,000	Winnebago	12,700	22	279,000
La Crosse	2,840	21	60,000	Wood	16,100	19	306,000
Lafayette	18,600	24.5	456,000				
Langlade	7,740	19	147,000	Other counties ¹	122,700	22	2,723,100
Lincoln	2,630	15	39,500				
Manitowoc	39,900	23.5	938,000	Wisconsin	885,000	22	19,470,000
Marathon	56,500	18	1,019,000				
Marinette	15,300	19.5	298,000				

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Soybeans, Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, and Production – Wisconsin by County: 2025

County	Area planted (acres)	Area harvested (acres)	Yield (bushels per acre)	Production (bushels)	County	Area planted (acres)	Area harvested (acres)	Yield (bushels per acre)	Production (bushels)
Adams	10,700	10,600	51.5	546,000	Oconto	26,800	26,600	50.5	1,343,000
Barron	51,100	50,900	48.4	2,464,000	Outagamie	50,700	50,500	53.8	2,717,000
Brown	20,700	20,600	56.3	1,160,000	Ozaukee	11,700	11,600	54.4	631,000
Buffalo	32,900	32,800	52.8	1,732,000	Pepin	18,900	18,800	53.8	1,011,000
Burnett	9,700	9,590	43.3	415,000	Pierce	43,200	42,900	57.5	2,467,000
Calumet	27,100	26,900	57.1	1,536,000	Polk	33,100	33,000	49.9	1,647,000
Chippewa	54,500	54,300	49.3	2,677,000	Portage	19,800	19,700	52.4	1,032,000
Clark	39,300	39,200	51.0	1,999,000	Price	1,000	980	41.8	41,000
Columbia	51,700	51,500	62.6	3,224,000	Racine	30,200	30,000	58.0	1,740,000
Crawford	19,600	19,400	57.3	1,112,000	Richland	14,700	14,600	58.3	851,000
Dane	80,900	80,600	64.8	5,223,000	Rock	89,400	89,100	64.5	5,743,000
Dodge	81,000	80,700	62.2	5,020,000	Rusk	14,600	14,500	43.7	634,000
Door	14,600	14,500	45.8	664,000	Sauk	38,200	37,900	55.9	2,119,000
Dunn	63,100	62,900	50.3	3,164,000	Sawyer	3,100	3,090	45.3	140,000
Eau Claire	28,900	28,700	48.7	1,398,000	Shawano	27,900	27,700	49.6	1,374,000
Fond du Lac	57,000	56,700	61.1	3,464,000	Sheboygan	34,900	34,700	56.9	1,974,000
Forest	900	890	39.9	35,500	St. Croix	56,100	55,800	55.1	3,075,000
Grant	70,300	70,100	63.5	4,451,000	Taylor	26,100	25,900	41.1	1,064,000
Green	64,900	64,700	67.4	4,361,000	Trempealeau	42,600	42,500	53.1	2,257,000
Green Lake	18,000	17,900	53.7	961,000	Vernon	31,500	31,400	58.1	1,824,000
Iowa	46,300	46,200	63.9	2,952,000	Walworth	50,300	50,000	60.5	3,025,000
Jackson	30,600	30,400	52.6	1,599,000	Washburn	7,600	7,550	42.0	317,000
Jefferson	51,800	51,600	63.7	3,287,000	Washington	22,500	22,400	55.1	1,234,000
Juneau	24,900	24,800	52.0	1,290,000	Waukesha	17,600	17,500	58.7	1,027,000
Kenosha	19,700	19,600	53.4	1,047,000	Waupaca	29,500	29,400	47.1	1,385,000
La Crosse	17,200	17,100	54.1	925,000	Waushara	17,700	17,600	49.9	878,000
Lafayette	57,400	57,100	64.2	3,666,000	Winnebago	37,400	37,300	56.0	2,089,000
Langlade	4,900	4,880	44.9	219,000	Wood	22,600	22,500	50.7	1,141,000
Lincoln	5,500	5,290	41.8	221,000					
Manitowoc	30,600	30,400	56.6	1,721,000	Other counties ¹	21,200	20,960	47.0	985,500
Marathon	54,300	54,000	45.9	2,479,000					
Marinette	9,100	9,070	40.6	368,000	Wisconsin	2,030,000	2,020,000	56.0	113,120,000
Marquette	14,700	14,600	48.9	714,000					
Monroe	25,200	25,000	50.4	1,260,000					

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