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3. Johnson, S. Tucker	11	953	25,564	1,358
4. Osborn, James L. and Sharon L.	55	936	26,347	1,294
5. Osborn, James L. and Sharon L.	37	877	24,155	1,250
6. Marcks, Barb and Kevin	25	872	24,792	1,139
7. Kracht, Allen	400	860	22,216	1,083
8. Vos, Amy Jo and Ben	78	856	24,289	1,088
9. Denniston-Keller Robin / Keller Kip	62	854	23,431	1,102
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9. Maxwell, John and Edwin	33	23,256	782	967
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3. Pease, Heather	10	1,306	26,510	983
4. Osborn, James L. and Sharon L.	55	1,294	26,347	936
5. Tollenaar Jerseys	54	1,264	21,452	755
6. Osborn, James L. and Sharon L.	37	1,250	24,155	877
7. Proctors Bel-Air Farm	49	1,214	22,495	801
8. Marcks, Barb and Kevin	25	1,139	24,792	872
9. Berry College	18	1,118	21,836	753
10. Denniston-Keller Robin / Keller Kip	62	1,102	23,431	854

## Production Levels Reach New Highs in 2006

After two years of stagnant production, the Jersey breed made significant gains in 2006, setting new records for milk, protein and cheese yield and tying the fat production record set in 2003.

Based on 72,076 lactations processed by the American Jersey Cattle Association (AJCA) with a data collection rating of 85 or more, the lactation average for 2006 reached:

- 18,337 lbs. milk;
- 838 lbs. fat;
- 651 lbs. protein; and
- 2,916 lbs. cheese yield.

The Jersey breed also set new records for actual yields per cow in 2006, with 16,536 lbs. milk, 763 lbs. fat, 589 lbs. protein and 1,990 lbs. cheese yield. This meant 313 lbs. more milk per lactation for the Jersey breeder over the previous year, with additional components of 16 lbs. fat and 11 lbs. protein and greater cheese yields of 40 lbs.

Jersey herds increased their overall lactation averages in 2006 as well. A total of 95 herds achieved lactation averages over 20,000 lbs. milk (an increase of 14 herds over 2005); 49 had averages over

1,000 lbs. fat; 55 had averages greater than 750 lbs. protein; and 69 herds (17 more than 2005) had cheese yield averages more than 2,500 lbs.

In 2006, the AJCA processed more lactations than ever in its 100-plus years of recording Jersey production. The 72,076 lactations added to the database were 1,003 more than were processed during 2005, in which the previous record was set.

Herd averages are calculated on a 305-day, twice-daily, mature equivalent basis. Based on the trends of the previous 10 years, the breed lactation average is projected to reach 19,360 lbs. milk, 884 lbs. fat, and 693 lbs. protein by 2011. This production level is equivalent to 2,375 lbs. of cheese per lactation or an average yield of 12.27 lbs. of cheese per hundredweight.

### High Herd Averages

The Jersey herd owned by Melissa R. Kortus, Lynden, Wash., led all herds in the nation for milk, fat, protein and cheese yield production in 2006. The Mainstream Jersey herd made a 2006 AJCA lactation average of 29,733 lbs. milk, 1,364 lbs. fat and 1,065 lbs. protein and on 23 lactations and set new records for components. The

cheese yield on this record is 3,608 lbs. cheese—also a new record.

Since 2002, Kortus has led the country for milk, fat, protein or cheese yield a dozen times and again stands atop the leader board for all production measures, as she did in 2003. This year's protein record bettered the one she made in 2005 and the fat record surpassed that made by Heather Pease, Susquehanna, Pa., in 2004. The herd's milk production for 2006 is just 10 lbs. shy of the record 29,743 lbs. made last year.

Forty-four of the records on the current list of National Class Leaders were completed at the western Washington farm, including that made by the new world milk champion, Mainstream Barkly Jubilee.

For more details on the herd and the new world milk record, see page xx of this issue.

The 10 Registered Jerseys™ owned by aforementioned Heather Pease ranked second in the nation for milk, protein and cheese yield production and third for fat with a lactation average of 26,510 lbs. milk, 1,306 lbs. fat and 983 lbs. protein. The cheese yield for this record is 3,366 lbs. cheese.

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### 300 or More Records By Protein

1. Kracht, Allen	400	860	22,216	1,083
2. Martin Dairy LLC	726	790	22,150	1,043
3. Ahlem, James	1,735	771	22,635	1,026
4. Ahlem Farms Partnership	2,704	771	21,498	989
5. Norse Star Jerseys	367	754	20,826	1,050
6. Wickstrom Bros.	418	742	21,594	1,019
7. Sunwest Jersey Dairy	1,062	742	20,834	942
8. C & S Livestock	1,178	733	20,439	918
9. Multi Rose Jerseys Inc.	380	732	20,025	995
10. de Boer, Nico	386	718	20,254	992

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10. Jade Dairy	426	709	20,057	905

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2. Norse Star Jerseys	367	1,050	20,826	754
3. Martin Dairy LLC	726	1,043	22,150	790
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7. de Boer, Nico	386	992	20,254	718
8. Ahlem Farms Partnership	2,704	989	21,498	771
9. Wickstrom Bros.	1,445	953	19,962	706
10. Lindsay, Scott and Tracie	353	944	19,834	697

# Herds Ranked By Herd Size

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## 150 - 299 Records By Protein

1. Domino Farms	Accord, NY			
153	785	21,214	1,012	
2. Summit Farm Inc.	Lester, IA			
226	753	21,215	929	
3. Dias, Paul	Hilmar, CA			
281	750	21,455	1,022	
4. Barlass Jerseys	Janesville, WI			
296	745	21,132	990	
5. Leamon, Dennis T.	Statesville, NC			
154	733	21,549	940	
6. Wadeland Dairy	Ogden, UT			
289	726	18,970	880	
7. Peterson, Eric and Roy	Tillamook, OR			
210	719	19,775	873	
8. Perk Farm	Frankford, WV			
178	717	19,581	858	
9. Jenks, William H. (Jim)	Buhl, ID			
272	707	19,998	920	
10. Schirm, Paul and Dawn and Family	West Salem, OH			
152	701	19,269	914	

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1. Leamon, Dennis T.	Statesville, NC			
154	21,549	733	940	
2. Dias, Paul	Hilmar, CA			
281	21,455	750	1,022	
3. Summit Farm Inc.	Lester, IA			
226	21,215	753	929	
4. Domino Farms	Accord, NY			
153	21,214	785	1,012	
5. Barlass Jerseys	Janesville, WI			
296	21,132	745	990	
6. Jenks, William H. (Jim)	Buhl, ID			
272	19,998	707	920	
7. Dias, Ryan and Amber	Kingsburg, CA			
281	19,841	697	882	
8. Peterson, Eric and Roy	Tillamook, OR			
210	19,775	719	873	
9. Perk Farm	Frankford, WV			
178	19,581	717	858	
10. Heartland Jerseys	Seneca, KS			
268	19,452	699	898	

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1. University of Tennessee Dairy Experiment Station	Lewisburg, TN			
171	1,051	18,576	646	
2. Dias, Paul	Hilmar, CA			
281	1,022	21,455	750	
3. Domino Farms	Accord, NY			
153	1,012	21,214	785	
4. Barlass Jerseys	Janesville, WI			
296	990	21,132	745	
5. Leamon, Dennis T.	Statesville, NC			
154	940	21,549	733	
6. Kenny Farm	Enon Valley, PA			
178	930	18,352	660	
7. Summit Farm Inc.	Lester, IA			
226	929	21,215	753	
8. Jenks, William H. (Jim)	Buhl, ID			
272	920	19,998	707	
9. Hapalson Jersey Farm	Fowlerville, MI			
155	920	19,129	678	
10. Lyon Jerseys	Toledo, IA			
296	915	19,244	697	

## 80 - 149 Records By Protein

1. Bohnert Jerseys	East Moline, IL			
119	812	22,508	1,075	
2. Shenandoah Jerseys	Boonsboro, MD			
87	801	22,095	1,015	
3. Miller, Regan F. and Family	Big Prairie, OH			
88	787	21,633	957	
4. Meyer, James L. and Family	Roca, NE			
130	783	21,817	972	
5. Silva, Eric Leonard	Beaver, OR			
128	774	21,892	1,039	
6. California Polytechnic State University	San Luis Obispo, CA			
97	765	21,760	1,023	
7. Hockett, Keith S.	Randleman, NC			
83	762	21,012	921	
8. Sorensons Hillview Jersey Farm Inc.	Pine River, WI			
83	746	21,090	987	
9. Homan Jersey Farm Inc.	Remsen, IA			
96	729	21,172	919	
10. Snider Farms and Families	New Paris, IN			
131	729	19,840	952	

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1. Bohnert Jerseys	East Moline, IL			
119	22,508	812	1,075	
2. Shenandoah Jerseys	Boonsboro, MD			
87	22,095	801	1,015	
3. Silva, Eric Leonard	Beaver, OR			
128	21,892	774	1,039	
4. Meyer, James L. and Family	Roca, NE			
130	21,817	783	972	
5. California Polytechnic State University	San Luis Obispo, CA			
97	21,760	765	1,023	
6. Miller, Regan F. and Family	Big Prairie, OH			
88	21,633	787	957	
7. Ettinger, Edwin R. and Cheryl F.	Kinards, SC			
130	21,477	720	974	
8. Homan Jersey Farm Inc.	Remsen, IA			
96	21,172	729	919	
9. Gaby Jersey Farm	Greeneville, TN			
134	21,158	719	988	
10. Sorensons Hillview Jersey Farm Inc.	Pine River, WI			
83	21,090	746	987	

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2. Silva, Eric Leonard	Beaver, OR			
128	1,039	21,892	774	
3. California Polytechnic State University	San Luis Obispo, CA			
97	1,023	21,760	765	
4. Sho-Me Jerseys	Billings, MO			
81	1,016	20,505	720	
5. Shenandoah Jerseys	Boonsboro, MD			
87	1,015	22,095	801	
6. Upland Colony	Artesian, SD			
81	998	18,346	655	
7. Gaby Jersey Farm	Greeneville, TN			
134	988	21,158	719	
8. Sorensons Hillview Jersey Farm Inc.	Pine River, WI			
83	987	21,090	746	
9. Ettinger, Edwin R. and Cheryl F.	Kinards, SC			
130	974	21,477	720	
10. Horney Jerseys Inc.	Sheridan, IN			
80	973	19,478	724	

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1. Osborn, James L. and Sharon L.	Keymar, MD			
55	936	26,347	1,294	
2. Vos, Amy Jo and Ben	Maribel, WI			
78	856	24,289	1,088	
3. Denniston-Keller, Robin / Keller, Kip	Byron, NY			
62	854	23,431	1,102	
4. Tohl, Patti	Tillamook, OR			
68	817	22,971	1,086	
5. Proctors Bel-Air Farm	Great Barrington, MA			
49	801	22,495	1,214	
6. Yoder, Merle	Hutchinson, KS			
45	790	22,032	1,012	
7. Vanderfeltz, Joe	Lawton, PA			
40	773	21,325	1,085	
8. Allen, David	Reedsburg, WI			
52	772	21,837	1,019	
9. St. Brigids Farm	Kennedyville, MD			
58	772	21,830	963	
10. Lawton, Merle	Newark Valley, NY			
60	768	21,821	1,031	

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68	22,971	817	1,086	
5. Proctors Bel-Air Farm	Great Barrington, MA			
49	22,495	801	1,214	
6. Yoder, Merle	Hutchinson, KS			
45	22,032	790	1,012	
7. Allen, David	Reedsburg, WI			
52	21,837	772	1,019	
8. St. Brigids Farm	Kennedyville, MD			
58	21,830	772	963	
9. Lawton, Merle	Newark Valley, NY			
60	21,821	768	1,031	
10. Windridge Jersey Farm	Danville, IN			
49	21,812	765	952	

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55	1,294	26,347	936	
2. Tollenaar Jerseys	Elk Grove, CA			
54	1,264	21,452	755	
3. Proctors Bel-Air Farm	Great Barrington, MA			
49	1,214	22,495	801	
4. Denniston-Keller, Robin / Keller, Kip	Byron, NY			
62	1,102	23,431	854	
5. Vos, Amy Jo and Ben	Maribel, WI			
78	1,088	24,289	856	
6. Tohl, Patti	Tillamook, OR			
68	1,086	22,971	817	
7. Vanderfeltz, Joe	Lawton, PA			
40	1,085	21,325	773	
8. Oak Lane Hutterian Brethren Inc.	Alexandria, SD			
52	1,065	20,380	720	
9. Lawton, Merle	Newark Valley, NY			
60	1,031	21,821	768	
10. Allen, David	Reedsburg, WI			
52	1,019	21,837	772	

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23	1,065	29,733	1,364	
2. Pease, Heather	Susquehanna, PA			
10	983	26,510	1,306	
3. Johnson, S. Tucker	Oldwick, NJ			
11	953	25,564	1,358	
4. Osborn, James L. and Sharon L.	Keymar, MD			
37	877	24,155	1,250	
5. Marcks, Barb and Kevin	Seymour, WI			
25	872	24,792	1,139	
6. Killian, Steven and Amanda	Blair, WI			
16	830	21,531	1,072	
7. Linnemeier, Ralph and Chris	Fort Wayne, IN			
10	794	22,571	1,036	
8. D & D Jerseys	Newton, WI			
36	783	22,036	1,044	
9. Maxwell, John and Edwin	Donahue, IA			
33	782	23,256	967	
10. Mississippi State University	Mississippi State, MS			
19	779	22,584	1,000	

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37	24,155	877	1,250	
6. Maxwell, John and Edwin	Donahue, IA			
33	23,256	782	967	
7. Mississippi State University	Mississippi State, MS			
19	22,584	779	1,000	
8. Linnemeier, Ralph and Chris	Fort Wayne, IN			
10	22,571	794	1,036	
9. Wussow, Ron and Nicolle	Cecil, WI			
16	22,291	754	1,101	
10. Buttles, Andrew J.	Lancaster, WI			
14	22,154	767	998	

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23	1,364	29,733	1,065	
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11	1,358	25,564	953	
3. Pease, Heather	Susquehanna, PA			
10	1,306	26,510	983	
4. Osborn, James L. and Sharon L.	Keymar, MD			
37	1,250	24,155	877	
5. Marcks, Barb and Kevin	Seymour, WI			
25	1,139	24,792	872	
6. Berry College	Mount Berry, GA			
18	1,118	21,836	753	
7. Wussow, Ron and Nicolle	Cecil, WI			
16	1,101	22,291	754	
8. Killian, Steven and Amanda	Blair, WI			
16	1,072	21,531	830	
9. Clark, Leroy C.	Spring Valley, WI			
30	1,057	18,090	621	
10. D & D Jerseys	Newton, WI			
36	1,044	22,036	783	

State Herd	City	Records	Pounds		
			Protein	Milk	Fat
<b>Arizona</b>					
Mountain Shadow Dairy	Litchfield Park	1,013	640	18,958	816
<b>California</b>					
Ahlem Farms Partnership	Hilmar	2,704	771	21,498	989
Ahlem, James	Hilmar	1,735	771	22,635	1,026
Blount, Kevin and Ronda	Crows Landing	328	692	19,098	924
Brentwood Farms	Orland	963	678	19,206	901
C & S Livestock	Hilmar	1,178	733	20,439	918
California Polytechnic State University	San Luis Obispo	97	765	21,760	1,023
California State University/Fresno	Fresno	42	704	19,457	865
D & E Jerseys	Hilmar	702	670	18,776	891
D & E Jerseys	Hilmar	694	662	18,279	855
Dias, Ryan and Amber	Kingsburg	281	697	19,841	882
Dias, Paul	Hilmar	281	750	21,455	1,022
Dias, Steve	Hanford	86	655	17,433	787
Hansen, Darren Ray	Ferndale	53	723	19,447	855
Hughes, Richard and Marilyn	Bodega	187	661	18,227	843
Jade Dairy	Hilmar	426	709	20,057	905
Live Oak Dairy	Hilmar	177	668	18,503	788
McClellands Dairy	Petaluma	30	663	18,579	848
Nash Farms Inc.	Selma	45	753	20,694	947
Nyman Bros	Hilmar	994	664	18,294	826
Paulo Bros	Hanford	80	660	18,344	891
QMS Dairy	Turlock	161	656	18,882	840
Rancho Vista Jerseys	Visalia	50	718	19,703	928
Sunwest Jersey Dairy	Hilmar	1,062	742	20,834	942
Tollenaar Jerseys	Elk Grove	28	637	18,342	1,011
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Wickstrom Bros.	Hilmar	418	742	21,594	1,019
Wickstrom Jersey Farms Inc.	Hilmar	1,445	706	19,962	953
Yosemite Jersey Dairy	Hilmar	1,709	676	18,893	776
<b>Colorado</b>					
Robert I. Johnson	Aspen	26	654	17,427	885
<b>Delaware</b>					
Knutsen, Gregg and Stephanie	Harrington	18	648	16,912	876
Richfield Farms Inc.	Greenwood	11	631	17,962	955
<b>Georgia</b>					
Berry College	Mount Berry	18	753	21,836	1,118
<b>Idaho</b>					
Ballard, Steve and Stacie	Gooding	34	651	18,241	915
Duggan, Marvin	Buhl	20	714	18,373	760
Hawarden Jerseys Inc.	Weston	124	716	19,216	906
Jenks, William H. (Jim)	Buhl	272	707	19,998	920
Star West Ranches LLC	Arimo	10	658	17,261	853
<b>Illinois</b>					
Bohnert Jerseys	East Moline	119	812	22,508	1,075
Freeman, David E.	Greenville	11	739	21,003	950
Olbrich, Dan	Harvard	10	630	17,750	871
Schweigert, Dan	Tremont	15	687	19,703	818
University of Illinois	Urbana	43	672	19,150	978
<b>Indiana</b>					
Arnold, James	Poseyville	70	713	19,993	900
Dalessandro, Anthony Ricardo	Richmond	17	690	18,772	908
Horney Jerseys Inc.	Sheridan	80	724	19,478	973
Linnemeier, Ralph and Chris	Fort Wayne	10	794	22,571	1,036
Snider Farms and Families	New Paris	131	729	19,840	952
Windridge Jersey Farm	Danville	49	765	21,812	952
<b>Iowa</b>					
Hettinga, Jason	Orange City	40	683	19,209	897
Homan Jersey Farm Inc	Remsen	96	729	21,172	919
Horst, Robert A.	Bristow	39	669	19,117	889
Knapp, Kevin G.	Larchwood	24	660	18,101	861
Lyon Jerseys	Toledo	296	697	19,244	915
Maxwell, John and Edwin	Donahue	33	782	23,256	967
Multi Rose Jerseys Inc.	Rock Rapids	380	732	20,025	995
Strottmann, Ronald J. and Sons	Readlyn	150	627	17,875	842
Summit Farm Inc.	Lester	226	753	21,215	929
Zidlicky, Don and Karrie	Decorah	10	758	21,569	946
<b>Kansas</b>					
Haverkamp, Denise J.	Axtell	62	616	18,354	804
Heartland Jerseys	Seneca	268	699	19,452	898
Jovina Farm	Atwood	71	647	18,394	744
Murphy, Roger C.	Udall	27	613	17,698	847
Ratliff, Christy	Garnett	31	714	19,781	916
Wheatland Ag	Bennington	12	613	17,152	848
Yoder, Merle	Hutchinson	45	790	22,032	1,012
<b>Kentucky</b>					
Stiles, David A. and Family	Bowling Green	13	642	17,795	846

## High Production Herds

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Pease and her Sweet Peas Jerseys made a grand debut on the elite list in 2004, leading all herds in the nation for milk, fat, protein and cheese yield production.

Pease's philosophy is to breed for type and components and feed for production. She strives to develop a cow that has capacity to eat and capacity to milk. The philosophy works, as she owns three of the cows that made the top 305-day records of 2006.

Sweet Peas Imperial Kassie, Excellent-90%, made the top cheese yield and protein record with 34,120 lbs. milk, 1,762 lbs. fat, 1,395 lbs. protein and 4,761 lbs. cheese yield in 292 days at 3-6. The record makes her the National Class Leader for cheese yield and protein among senior three-year-olds.

Ladyholm-N Jewels Jade, Excellent-95%, made 34,400 lbs. milk, 1,946 lbs. fat, 1,236 lbs. protein and 4,274 lbs. cheese yield in 305 days at 5-9. The record ranks her fourth for cheese yield and fat among cows 5-9 years-of-age on the National Class Leader list.

The two Queen-Acres Jerseys herds owned by James L. and Sharon L. Osborn, Keymar, Md., and their daughter, Debbie, ranked high on the national list again this year. Their herd of 55 cows ranked third for milk and fourth for fat and protein production with 26,347 lbs. milk, 1,294 lbs. fat and 936 lbs. protein. The 37-cow herd made 24,155 lbs. milk, 1,250 lbs. fat and 877 lbs. protein and was ranked fifth for protein, sixth for fat and seventh for milk. The Osborn's 55-cow herd also earned bragging rights as the top herd for milk, fat and protein yield among herds with 40-79 cows.

Queen-Acres is home to world protein champion, QA/WF Hallmark Delirious, owned in partnership with Waverly Farm, and four cows that made the top 305-day production records of 2006. Queen-Acres Millenium Sunflower, Very Good-87%, made a 305-day record of 36,100 lbs. milk, 1,344 lbs. fat, 1,190 lbs. protein and 3,797 lbs. cheese yield at 3-8, which was the top milk record of the year and the National Class Leader record for junior three-year-olds. "Sunflower" is also the National Class Leader for milk, protein and cheese yield among junior two-year-olds.

A newcomer to the list of top herds, S. Tucker Johnson, Oldwick, N.J., ranked fourth for milk, second for fat and third for protein and cheese yield production. The Jersey herd at Cedar Lane Farm averaged 25,564 lbs. milk, 1,358 lbs. fat and 953 lbs. protein on 11 lactations. The cheese yield for this average stands at

3,281 lbs. cheese.

Two Wisconsin herds earned the fifth and sixth spots on the list for milk production. Wolf River Jerseys, owned by Barb and Kevin Marcks, Seymour, was fifth for milk with a lactation average of 24,792 lbs. milk, 1,139 lbs. fat and 872 lbs. protein. The 25-cow herd also ranked sixth for protein and eighth for fat production in 2006.

Amy Jo and Ben Vos, Maribel, owned the sixth-ranked herd for milk production, debuting on the elite list with a lactation average of 24,289 lbs. milk, 1,088 lbs. fat and 856 lbs. protein on 78 lactations. The couple increased production of the herd by 2,448 lbs. milk, 87 lbs. fat and 84 lbs. protein over last year's average to garner the nation's eighth spot for protein production as well. Among herds with 40-79 cows, the herd was ranked second for milk and protein production in 2006.

Den-Kel Jerseys, owned by Robin Denniston-Keller and Kip Keller, Bryon, N.Y., was ranked among the top 10 herds in the country for all measures with a lactation average of 23,431 lbs. milk, 1,102 lbs. fat and 854 lbs. protein on 62 lactations. The herd was eighth for milk, 10th for fat and ninth for protein production. Den-Kel Jerseys was third for milk and protein production among herds with 40-79 lactations.

Newcomers John and Edwin Maxwell, Donahue, Iowa, were ninth for milk production. The 33-cow herd made 23,256 lbs. milk, 967 lbs. fat and 782 lbs. protein. The Maxwells increased the herd average by nearly 1,100 lbs. milk over last year's mark to earn the honors.

Rounding out the milk category was the herd owned by Patti Tohl, Tillamook, Ore. The 68 Registered Jerseys made a lactation average of 22,971 lbs. milk, 1,086 lbs. fat and 817 lbs. protein.

In the fat category, the fifth spot in the country was held by Tollenaar Jerseys, Elk Grove, Calif. Cornelis and Jannie Tollenaar and Jon Tollenaar increased the fat yield of their herd by nearly 140 lbs. to move up from an eighth-place last year. The 54 Jersey cows produced a lactation average of 21,452 lbs. milk, 1,264 lbs. fat and 755 lbs. protein. Amongst its peers with 40-79 lactations, the herd ranked second for fat production in 2006.

The top 305-day fat record for 2006 was made by a cow in the Tollenaar herd: Tollenaar Heino 1960-ET, Very Good-85%. She made 28,320 lbs. milk, 2,058 lbs. fat, 1,161 lbs. protein and 4,021 lbs. cheese yield at 3-7, a record that also makes her the National Class Leader for fat among senior three-year-olds.

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State Herd	City	Records	Pounds		
			Protein	Milk	Fat
University of Kentucky/Dairy	Lexington	23	653	18,846	893
<b>Maine</b>					
Highland Farms	Cornish	206	651	18,630	888
Silver Maple Farms Inc.	Albion	43	695	19,370	926
<b>Maryland</b>					
Osborn, James L. and Sharon L.	Keymar	37	877	24,155	1,250
Osborn, James L. and Sharon L.	Keymar	55	936	26,347	1,294
Savage, Ryan Michael	Knoxville	10	737	21,225	979
Shenandoah Jerseys	Boonsboro	87	801	22,095	1,015
St. Brigids Farm	Kennedyville	58	772	21,830	963
<b>Massachusetts</b>					
Kimball, Joan B.	Spencer	31	642	17,768	843
Proctors Bel-Air Farm	Great Barrington	49	801	22,495	1,214
<b>Michigan</b>					
Fry, Gail L. and Cathy M.	Blanchard	22	653	17,655	769
Green Meadow Farms	Elsie	10	591	17,947	895
Hapalson Jersey Farm	Fowlerville	155	678	19,129	920
Koebel, Greta, Ava and Tera	Three Oaks	10	698	18,894	907
VanBuskirk, Jim and Janet	Carleton	82	663	17,481	792
<b>Minnesota</b>					
Gieseke, Peter and Amy Louise	Saint James	65	696	20,086	902
Mill, Walter Dale	Lewiston	74	629	18,161	860
Smith, Dale A.	Hamburg	107	719	19,951	916
Suess, Phillip and Family	Grand Meadow	40	663	18,270	835
Wear, Thomas J.	Nicollet	22	750	20,535	982
<b>Mississippi</b>					
Glynn, Mike and Ellen	Foxworth	74	631	18,546	780
Mississippi State University	Mississippi State	19	779	22,584	1,000
Rowzee Jersey Farm	Newton	141	704	20,128	925
<b>Missouri</b>					
Flory, Tim	Jamesport	16	664	18,998	880
Kirchdoerfer, Joe	Cape Girardeau	97	690	20,327	841
Page, Derek Leon	Mount Vernon	41	689	19,645	937
Sho-Me Jerseys	Billings	81	720	20,505	1,016
<b>Nebraska</b>					
Meyer, James L. and Family	Roca	130	783	21,817	972
<b>New Hampshire</b>					
Crescent Farm	Walpole	187	692	18,748	906
Fisher, Randi and Scott	Pittsfield	19	676	17,474	833
Holmes, Steven B. and Jeffrey A.	Langdon	62	654	18,306	786
<b>New Jersey</b>					
Johnson, S. Tucker	Oldwick	11	953	25,564	1,358
<b>New York</b>					
Bapton Farms Livestock	Ouaquaga	10	658	18,159	796
Carlson, Cheryl A.	Tully	48	676	18,154	875
Carson, Scott and Kristin	New Lebanon	88	722	19,940	916
Chamberlain, Greg and David	Wyoming	576	661	18,800	889
Cole, Michael J.	Canajoharie	18	711	19,963	1,027
Conklin, Richard and Carol	Fort Ann	38	643	17,814	849
Cossa, Edward R.	Walden	30	626	18,145	853
Darling, Robert and Sons	De Lancey	130	643	18,728	851
Denniston-Keller Robin / Keller Kip	Byron	62	854	23,431	1,102
Domino Farms	Accord	153	785	21,214	1,012
Dutch Hollow Farm	Schodack Landing	353	649	18,303	880
Everett, Timothy and Patricia	Sharon Springs	37	686	19,664	842
Glen Meadows Farm	Fultonville	65	733	20,700	866
Lawton, Merle	Newark Valley	60	768	21,821	1,031
Murphy, Thomas F. and Catherine F.	Earlville	45	699	19,342	821
Pickard, Cynthia S. and Hobart L.	Fonda	26	646	17,661	881
Sherwood, Michael and Jennifer	Verona	15	589	16,838	842
Silver Spring Farms	Syracuse	111	618	17,343	838
Way-Hi Farms	Wellsburg	37	744	21,925	944
<b>North Carolina</b>					
Biltmore Farms	Fletcher	270	664	19,080	829
Hockett, Keith S.	Randleman	83	762	21,012	921
Leamon, Dennis T.	Statesville	154	733	21,549	940
Lutz, Kevin Eric	Lincolnton	94	648	18,923	838
North Carolina State University	Raleigh	17	596	17,653	845
Piedmont Jerseys	Lincolnton	163	674	19,374	852
Reese, Coy and Wanda	Taylorsville	128	656	19,102	794
Shady Brook Farm	Statesville	55	693	19,631	848
<b>Ohio</b>					
Anderson, Dale Alan	New Philadelphia	89	624	17,080	846
Bolen, Donald H. Family	Fremont	76	668	19,527	823
Boyce, Matt and Family	Alliance	52	719	19,378	884
Cooperrider & Sons	Croton	107	714	19,724	954

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State Herd	City	Records	Pounds		
			Protein	Milk	Fat
Diley Jerseys	Canal Winchester	16	658	17,999	721
Five J Farms	Conover	159	638	18,337	903
Grammer, William P.	Sebring	439	655	19,159	900
Kauffman, Dale W. and Family	Shreve	128	692	18,521	901
King, Howard and Family	Fremont	90	679	19,816	806
Lindsay, Scott and Tracie	New Waterford	353	697	19,834	944
Miller, Phil and Family	Sugarcreek	69	618	16,274	882
Miller, Regan F. and Family	Big Prairie	88	787	21,633	957
Noyes, Thomas E. and Family	Wooster	70	662	20,163	885
Ohio State University	Columbus	39	703	18,925	904
Rawn, Tim	Canal Winchester	15	651	16,902	819
Robertson, Scot A.	Huntsburg	39	639	17,752	858
Schirm, Paul and Dawn and Family	West Salem	152	701	19,269	914
Shoemaker, Steven R.	Salem	70	642	18,471	813
Spahr Jersey Farm	Findlay	336	618	17,901	875
Spring Valley Farm	Millersburg	51	661	18,265	903
<b>Oklahoma</b>					
Koehn, Steven B.	Meno	72	749	21,427	907
<b>Oregon</b>					
Gomes, Eddie	Tillamook	205	673	19,042	872
Hale Valley Holsteins	Cloverdale	31	647	17,943	851
Martin Dairy LLC	Tillamook	726	790	22,150	1,043
Peterson, Eric and Roy	Tillamook	210	719	19,775	873
Rocha, Cris and Doris	Tillamook	71	741	19,935	986
Seals, David and Kimberly	Tillamook	87	633	17,657	859
Silva, Eric Leonard	Beaver	128	774	21,892	1,039
Sun Valley Farm	Cloverdale	335	633	18,005	847
Tohl, Patti	Tillamook	68	817	22,971	1,086
Wilsonview Dairy	Tillamook	151	656	18,969	854
<b>Pennsylvania</b>					
Alexander, Roger	Liberty	19	578	16,759	922
Big Guns Cattle Co	Claysburg	10	695	18,800	941
Eick, William	Columbia X Rd	53	680	19,369	907
Gardner, Mark and Shannon	Dayton	12	739	20,616	908
Hardy, Jerome and Kathryn	Tyrone	31	701	19,521	991
Hindman, Dale E.	Brockway	17	763	20,796	1,004
Hixson, Jerry	Scottdale	50	622	17,477	839
Kennett, Peter and Kristie	Newville	15	651	18,343	847
Kenny Farm	Enon Valley	178	660	18,352	930
Lawrence, Thomas R.	Nottingham	24	649	18,486	862
Meyers, Steven Craig	Saint Thomas	12	776	21,179	1,038
Moyer, Paul W. and Carolyn N.	Roaring Branch	37	624	16,837	841
Normandell Farms	Liberty	56	649	18,403	954
Pease, Heather	Susquehanna	10	983	26,510	1,306
Reasner, Jeffrey and Michele	Newburg	13	602	16,755	923
Rotz, Jack W.	Waynesboro	50	726	19,299	978
Shanks, Neena	Paradise	41	652	19,023	836
Spruce Row Farm	Meadville	136	695	20,273	858
Vanderfeltz, Joe	Lawton	40	773	21,325	1,085
Wester, Albin E. and Betty L.	Jamestown	87	702	20,008	900
Yoder, William R.	Meyersdale	33	703	20,765	979
Yurkanin, John B. (Blair) and Florence (Cammy)	Columbia X Rd	17	667	18,424	847
<b>South Carolina</b>					
Bush River Jerseys	Newberry	263	663	18,653	907
Dueck, Leon and Beth	Olar	22	681	19,388	903
Eastglen Farms	Laurens	221	626	18,551	882
Ettinger, Edwin R. and Cheryl F.	Kinards	130	720	21,477	974
Peeler, L. D.	Starr	83	705	19,662	845
Southern Oaks Jerseys	Abbeville	67	631	18,986	789
Waggoner, Steve E. and Kitty B.	Pendleton	14	684	19,644	839
<b>South Dakota</b>					
Cronin, Kyle and Pat and Feikema, Gerald	Huron	21	653	18,491	848
Oak Lane Hutterian Brethren Inc.	Alexandria	52	720	20,380	1,065
Upland Colony	Artesian	81	655	18,346	998
<b>Tennessee</b>					
Brewer, Rick and Family	Arrington	14	679	19,458	848
Gaby Jersey Farm	Greeneville	134	719	21,158	988
Gilmac Farms	Chapel Hill	83	539	16,053	848
Parks, Daniel	Morristown	24	716	18,706	857
Sunbow Jerseys	Cottage Grove	77	681	19,244	835
University of Tennessee Dairy Experiment Station	Lewisburg	171	646	18,576	1,051
<b>Texas</b>					
Deboer, Nico	Chandler	386	718	20,254	992
Deboer, Nico	Chandler	55	699	19,722	965
<b>Utah</b>					
Blackhurst, Marvin Dean	Lindon	147	693	19,266	849
Richards Jersey Farm	Erda	175	659	18,266	776
Wadeland Dairy	Ogden	289	726	18,970	880
Westergard, Delwyn V./Westergard Jerseys	Ogden	77	681	18,478	867

### Top Ten Herds for Cheese Yield

1. Melissa R. Kortus .....	3,608
2. Heather Pease .....	3,366
3. S. Tucker Johnson .....	3,281
4. James L. and Sharon L. Osborn ....	3,201
5. James L. and Sharon L. Osborn ....	2,990
6. Barb and Kevin Marcks .....	2,959
7. Allen Kracht .....	2,898
8. Robin Denniston-Keller and Kip Keller .....	2,893
9. Amy Jo and Ben Vos .....	2,886
10. Steven and Amanda Killian .....	2,826

### High Production Herds

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The seventh-ranked herd for fat was Proctors Bel-Air Farm, Great Barrington, Mass., with 22,495 lbs. milk, 1,214 lbs. fat and 801 lbs. protein on 49 lactations. The herd owned by Rhett and Laurie Proctor was third for fat production among herds with 40-79 cows.

Berry College, Mount Berry, Ga., was the ninth herd for fat with 21,836 lbs. milk, 1,118 lbs. fat and 753 lbs. protein on 18 lactations.

In the protein category, the largest herd to make the list was seventh-ranked K&K Jerseys, owned by Allen Kracht, Newton, Wis. The herd produced 22,216 lbs. milk, 1,083 lbs. fat and 860 lbs. protein on 400 lactations. The average earned the herd high marks for components among large dairies for the third consecutive year and the second spot for milk production in 2006. Kracht added 54 lactations to the herd this past year and increased protein and fat production by 50 and 47 lbs., respectively.

Rounding out the protein rankings was another Wisconsin herd. The 16-cow herd owned by Steven and Amanda Killian, Blair, made a lactation average of 21,531 lbs. milk, 1,072 lbs. fat and 830 lbs. protein and was ranked 10th for protein. The couple increased the protein yield of the herd by 70 lbs. over last year's average.

### Herd Size Records

The AJCA also ranks herd averages in five categories based upon herd size. These categories include herds with 300 or more records; 150-299 records; 80-149 records; 40-79 records; and 10-39 records.

James Ahlem, Hilmar, Calif., topped the milk production category for the largest herds, those with 300 or more lactations. Moving up from third and his debut to this list last year, the herd made a lactation average of 22,635 lbs. milk, 1,026 lbs. fat and 771 lbs. protein on 1,735 lactations. Over the past year, the herd average increased 888 lbs. milk, 20 lbs. fat and 24 lbs. protein and gained 579 lactations. This year's marks ranked the herd third for

protein and fourth for fat production among the largest-sized herds.

The herd ranked second for milk production and first for components among large herds is owned by Allen Kracht, mentioned previously.

Martin Dairy LLC, Tillamook, Ore., earned the third spot for milk production among large dairies with a lactation average of 22,150 lbs. milk, 1,043 lbs. fat and 790 lbs. protein on 726 lactations. The dairy was also ranked second for protein and third for fat among large dairies and is the second year the Tillamook dairy has been recognized for top production among its peers.

The final herd ranked among the top three large herds for milk, fat or protein was Norse Star Jerseys, Westby, Wis. The 367-cow herd was second for fat production with a lactation average of 20,826 lbs. milk, 1,050 lbs. fat and 754 lbs. protein.

Among herds with 150-299 lactations, the Registered Jersey herd owned by Dennis T. Leamon, Statesville, N.C., was tops for milk production with a lactation average of 21,549 lbs. milk, 940 lbs. fat and 733 lbs. protein on 154 lactations. Over the past year, Leamon increased milk production of the herd by 959 lbs. to earn the top spot in the 2006 ranking.

Golden Meadows Jerseys, owned by the Paul Dias Family, Hilmar, Calif., ranked second for milk and fat and third for protein among herds with 150-299 lactations. The lactation average on 281 cows was 21,455 lbs. milk, 1,022 lbs. fat and 750 lbs. protein.

The third-ranked herd for milk among herds with 150-299 lactations is owned by Summit Farm Inc., Lester, Iowa. The 226-

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State Herd	City	Records	Pounds		
			Protein	Milk	Fat
<b>Vermont</b>					
Billings Farm and Museum	Woodstock	33	616	17,711	869
Gray, Bob and Kim	Newbury	13	707	19,632	932
Harkdale Farms	Newbury	39	706	19,140	876
Lucky Hill Farm	Danville	103	725	19,635	956
Molly Brook Farms	West Danville	96	718	19,683	898
Pearl, William H.	Barnet	61	651	18,427	820
Richardson Family Farm	Woodstock	53	648	17,504	909
Spring Brook Foundation	Reading	39	632	18,081	853
Vermont Agric. Exp. Station	South Burlington	12	666	17,807	920
White, Benjamin R.	East Ryegate	26	718	19,795	907
<b>Virginia</b>					
Huffard Dairy Farms	Crockett	326	675	19,017	834
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	Blacksburg	45	666	19,270	883
<b>Washington</b>					
Anderson, Bruce H. or Liz	Onalaska	75	743	20,321	918
Family Hill Farm	Ferndale	84	656	18,664	837
Kortus, Melissa R.	Lynden	23	1,065	29,733	1,364
Vanderhaak Dairy	Lynden	44	652	18,280	877
Windy Willow Farm	Bellingham	79	666	18,885	855
Wolf, Donald D. Mr. or Mrs.	Deer Park	116	677	18,746	827
<b>West Virginia</b>					
Perk Farm	Frankford	178	717	19,581	858
<b>Wisconsin</b>					
Allen, David	Reedsburg	52	772	21,837	1,019
Barlass Jerseys	Janesville	296	745	21,132	990
Blaha, Mark	New Auburn	34	634	18,066	868
Buttles, Andrew J.	Lancaster	14	767	22,154	998
Clark, Leroy C.	Spring Valley	30	621	18,090	1,057
D & D Jerseys	Newton	36	783	22,036	1,044
Elliott, Ken and Kathy	Marshall	14	696	19,238	932
Endres Jazzy Jerseys	Lodi	474	615	17,841	842
Hammann, Scot B.	Barron	11	604	16,968	863
Karl, Russell and Susie	Neillsville	12	724	19,807	885
Kemper, Christopher	Dane	10	653	19,854	860
Kessenich, Nicole and Natalie	De Forest	36	596	17,836	845
Killian, Steven and Amanda	Blair	16	830	21,531	1,072
Kipp, Thomas	Hazel Green	16	699	19,473	943
Kracht, Allen	Newton	400	860	22,216	1,083
Linehan, Phillip	River Falls	22	740	21,033	903
Marcks, Barb and Kevin	Seymour	25	872	24,792	1,139
Norse Star Jerseys	Westby	367	754	20,826	1,050
Pine Prairie Jerseys	Viroqua	15	653	18,737	833
Sorensens Hillview Jersey Farm Inc.	Pine River	83	746	21,090	987
Spring Creek Farms	Hixton	77	656	19,941	855
Steinhauers Jerseys	Mattoon	140	712	19,724	904
Strandberg, D. L.	Alma Center	40	682	19,712	959
Tiffany, Dustin	Spring Valley	10	726	21,212	956
Vandell Farms Inc.	Sharon	100	695	19,662	874
Vos, Amy Jo and Ben	Maribel	78	856	24,289	1,088
Wirkus, Allen and Barb	Athens	35	773	21,905	969
Wussow, Ron and Nicolle	Cecil	16	754	22,291	1,101

# Our **SCHOLARS** made the grade



With our February appraisal, we had eight new girls make the grade by going Excellent  
213 cows appraised averaged 85% — 46 Excellent — 151 Very Good — 16 Desirable

**Green Views Berretta Choice** RAISED TO EXCELLENT-91%  
Three daughters in the herd including a 2-year-old that just appraised Very Good.

**Green Views Brandy Sue** RAISED TO EXCELLENT-92%  
Two daughters by "Duke" in the herd.

**Green Views Choice Bunny** RAISED TO EXCELLENT-90%  
Two daughters in the herd including an October 2006 "Signature."

**SHF Jade Elsie-ET** RAISED TO EXCELLENT-91%  
"Jade" out of Sooner Elise of SSF, E-93%

**Green Views Paramount Tish** RAISED TO EXCELLENT-90%  
"Paramount" out of an E-92% "Sherwood" with over 18,500M.

**Green Views Choice Judy**  
RAISED TO EXCELLENT-91%

## Green View Farms

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## High Production Herds

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cow herd made 21,215 lbs. milk, 929 lbs. fat and 753 lbs. protein. The herd earned the second-place honors for protein production among similar-sized herds.

Although the University of Tennessee Dairy Experiment Station, Lewisburg, Tenn., changed herd-size categories in 2006, what didn't change was bragging rights as a high-fat herd. On 171 lactations, up from 125 last year, the herd made 18,576 lbs. milk, 1,051 lbs. fat and 646 lbs. protein. The previous two years, the herd topped the fat production category for herds sized 80-149 lactations.

### AJCA Production Averages, 1970-2006

Year	Milk	Fat	Protein	Records
1970	9,914	501		26,560
1980	11,599	559		35,131
1990	14,091	662	524	51,541
2000	17,680	807	650	57,170
2005	18,042	822	640	71,073
2006	18,337	838	651	72,076

Rounding out honors for herds with 150-299 lactations was Domino Farms, Accord, N.Y. The 153-cow herd made a lactation average of 21,214 lbs. milk, 1,012 lbs. fat and 785 lbs. protein to earn the first spot for protein and the third spot for fat production.

In the category for herds with 80-149 lactations, Bohnert Jerseys, East Moline, Ill., earned the top position for all production measures. The 119 Registered Jerseys made 22,508 lbs. milk, 1,075 lbs. fat and 812 lbs. protein. The herd repeated its top spot for protein production and slight gains in milk and fat yields garnered the herd a higher ranking for milk and fat amongst its peers this year.

Shenandoah Jerseys, Boonsboro, Md., was the category's second-ranked herd for milk and protein production with an average 22,095 lbs. milk, 1,105 lbs. fat and 801 lbs. protein on 87 lactations.

The herd owned by Eric Leonard Silva, Beaver, Ore., was third for milk production among herds with 80-149 lactations. The 128-cow herd produced 21,892 lbs. milk, 1,039 lbs. fat and 774 lbs. protein and also garnered a second-place ranking for fat yield among similar-sized herds.

Also earning component honors for herds with 80-149 lactations was California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, Calif. The herd was ranked third for fat production with 21,760 lbs. milk, 1,023 lbs. fat and 765 lbs. protein on 97 lactations. Regan F. Miller and Family, Big Prairie, Ohio, was ranked third for protein with 21,633 lbs. milk, 957 lbs. fat and 787 lbs. protein on 88 lactations.

Among herds with 40-79 lactations, the herd owned by James L. and Sharon L. Osborn topped all production measures. Second for milk and protein production was the herd owned by Amy Jo and Ben Vos; third for milk and protein production were Robin Denniston-Keller and Kip Keller. Tollenaar Jerseys and Proctors Bel-Air Farm were second and third for fat yield, respectively. All were mentioned previously.

In the category for herds with 10-39 lactations, Melissa R. Kortus earned top honors for milk, fat and protein production; Heather Pease was second for milk and protein and third for fat; and S. Tucker Johnson was third for milk and protein and second for fat production. All were previously mentioned.

## Policy for Maximizing Profit with Jerseys

Adopted November 1994  
by the American Jersey Cattle  
Association Board of Directors

The American Jersey Cattle Association (AJCA) Board of Directors encourages its members to employ the following management practices to improve herd profitability:

### Maximize the genetic potential of the herd by

- Using top ranking proven bulls on 60% to 75% of services.
- Sampling a group of selected young bulls that qualify for AJCA Young Sire Program for 25% to 40% of services.
- Breeding heifers A.I. to proven or selected young bulls that qualify for the AJCA Young Sire Program; if natural service for heifers is a management necessity, using bulls that qualify for AJCA Young Sire Program.
- Maintaining accurate identification and breeding records.
- Participating in performance and type appraisal programs that provide the basis for genetic evaluations.
- Making mating assignments that maximize profit and minimize inbreeding.

### Challenge the genetic capacity of the herd by

- Feeding ample quantities of properly balanced rations to milking cows.
- Minimizing involuntary culling so that voluntary culling can be maximized.
- Providing for the special nutritional and management needs of dry cows.
- Having cows in proper body condition.
- Providing special attention to calf raising practices to minimize losses and optimize growth.
- Using new technologies that provide economical advantages in your situation.

### Exploit Jersey advantages by

- Keeping registrations current.
- Freshening heifers under 24 months of age.
- Becoming involved in milk marketing efforts that gain equitable payment for milk components.
- Becoming involved in cattle marketing efforts that supplement herd income.
- Using your herd and farm to project a positive image for the Jersey breed and the dairy industry.