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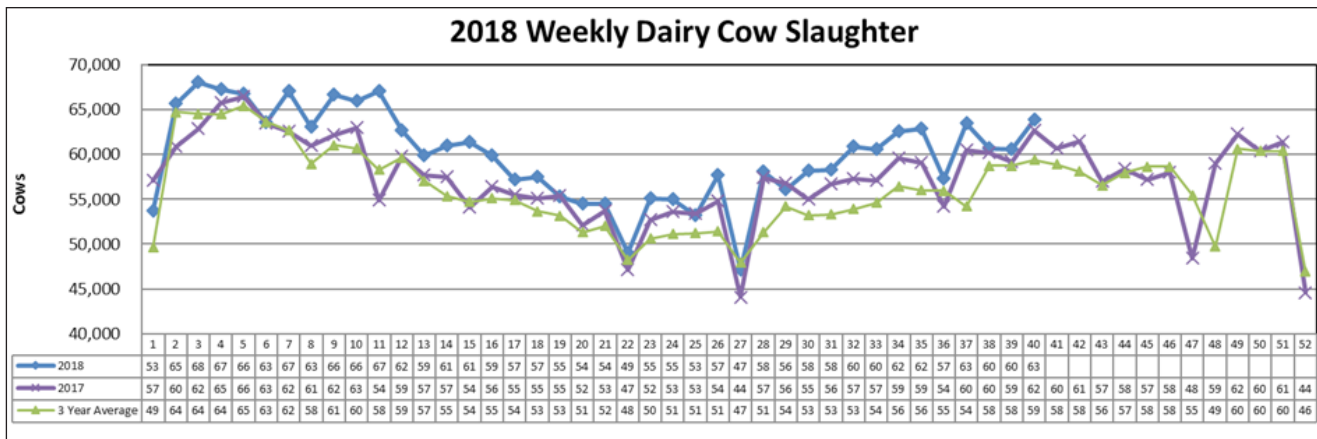
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# Dairy Cow Slaughter

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## HIGHLIGHTS

- Week 1 of Oct was up 1.9% from a year ago (Total U.S + 1,200)
- The Northeast was up 5.8% from a year ago (region 3- DE-MD, PA, WV & VA + 600)
- The Midwest\* was up 16.3% versus its year to date average (region 5— IL, IN, MI. & MN + 2,597)
- The Southwest was down 26.5% from a year ago (region 6- AR, LA, NM, OK & TX - 2,200)
- The West was up 8.0% from a year ago (region 9- AZ, CA, HI & NV + 1,200)
- The Northwest was down 6.8% from a year ago (region 10 - AK, ID, OR, & WA - 400)



## REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

Total U.S. Dairy Cow Slaughter				Region 3 - DE-MD, PA, WV, & VA				Region 5 - IL, IN, MI, & MN			
AMS Weekly Est.	2018	2017	YOY Change	AMS Weekly Est.	2018	2017	YOY Change	AMS Weekly Est.	2018	YTD. Avg.	YTD. Avg. Change
Oct Week 1	63,900	62,700	1,400 <b>1.9%</b>	Oct Week 1	11,000	10,400	600 <b>5.8%</b>	Oct Week 1	18,500	15,903	1,064 <b>16.3%</b>

Region 6 - AR, LA, NM, OK, & TX				Region 9 - AZ, CA, HI, & NV				Region 10 - AK, ID, OR, & WA			
AMS Weekly Est.	2018	2017	YOY Change	AMS Weekly Est.	2018	2017	YOY Change	AMS Weekly Est.	2018	2017	YOY Change
Oct Week 1	6,100	8,300	(2,200) <b>-26.5%</b>	Oct Week 1	16,200	15,000	1,200 <b>8.0%</b>	Oct Week 1	5,500	5,900	(400) <b>-6.8%</b>

Cows Slaughtered YTD			
2018	2017	Change	% Change
2,399,900	2,299,200	100,700	<b>4.39%</b>

**\*Note the Midwest is reporting again. We are comparing it to its year to date average cull numbers.**

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