

## All About Cows

Cows came to America with Christopher Columbus.

There are an estimated 920 different breeds of cows in the world.

Cows spend six to seven hours a day eating and eight hours chewing cud.

A cow's body uses part of the food to grow and stay healthy and the other part of the food to make milk.

It only takes the cow's body about two days to process her food into milk.

The Holstein produces the most milk of all breeds.

One cow produces about 350,000 glasses of milk in her lifetime.

A dairy cow can produce five gallons of ice cream a day.

The average dairy cow produces 10 gallons of milk a day, which is about 90 glasses.

It takes 10 pounds of milk, a little more than one gallon, to make one pound of cheese.

It takes 22 pounds of milk, a little less than 1.4 gallons, to make one pound of butter.

Making one cup of yogurt, an eight-ounce container, takes one pound of milk or about one pint.

There are approximately 350 "squirts" in a gallon of milk.

A cow drinks about 30 gallons of water per day.

The age of a cow can be determined by counting the rings on its horns.

A cow stands up and sits down about 14 times a day.

Cows have 32 teeth 24 molars and 8 incisors most of which are on the bottom since they do not have top teeth in the front of their mouth.

All 50 states in the United States have dairy farms.

The average body temperature of a cow is 101.5° f.

Cows can see color.

Many cows have spots, but no two cows have exactly the same pattern of spots.

Calves can walk within one hour of birth.

Milk cows usually have their ears pierced. The I.D. tag numbers are different for each cow and help the farmer track her activities.