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FUN FACTS ABOUT DAIRY COWS

- ✓ Did you know there are roughly 350 “squirts” in a gallon of milk?
- ✓ Cows can walk upstairs but not down because their knees are unable to bend the way needed to walk downstairs.
- ✓ A cow spends about 6 hours eating and 8 hours chewing its cud every day.
- ✓ Dairy cows can produce 125 pounds of saliva in a single day.
- ✓ Cows have 32 teeth, all of them on the bottom with a dental pad on top.
- ✓ Cows drink about 35 gallons of water a day – about the same amount as a bathtub full of water.
- ✓ Before milking machines were invented in 1894, farmers could only milk about 6 cows per hour.
- ✓ It takes less than 5 minutes to milk a cow using a milking machine.
- ✓ Cows are milked 2 or 3 times per day.
- ✓ A cow chews her cud (regurgitated, partially digested food) almost 30,000 times daily!
- ✓ Dairy cows give more than 7 gallons or 400 glasses of milk each day!
- ✓ The first cow in America arrived in the Jamestown colony in 1611. Until the 1850s, nearly every family had its own cow.
- ✓ The first regular shipment of milk by railroad was between Orange County, N.Y., and New York City and began in 1841.

