

By State – Legality of Raw Milk Sales/Distribution

Note: Some states are in more than one category

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Category	States	Comments
Retail sales legal <i>These states allow sales in retail stores and require a permit which also allows for sales on/off farm and at farmers markets.</i>	AZ ID NM SC CA ME OR* WA CT NH PA	* goat & sheep milk only
Licensed on-farm sales legal	MA SD ^{4,6*} WI MO ^{4,6} TX NY UT ^{**}	* sales legal at retail store if producer owns and operates the store ** sales legal at retail store if producer has majority ownership in store
Unlicensed on-farm sales legal	AR ³ MN NE OR ¹ IL MS ^{1,2} NH ^{3,4,6} VT ^{3,4} KS MO ⁴ OK ^{3*}	* limit on volume of goat milk sales
Herdshares/Cowshares legal by statute^a, regulation^b, court decision^c, or written policy^d	AK ^b MI ^d TN ^{a,8} CO ^{a*} ND ^a WY ^{b*} ID ^{a*} OH ^c	* Farms operating share programs must register with the state.
Sale of raw milk for human consumption illegal	AL ^{7,8} IN ^{7,8} MT VA ⁷ DE IA NV* WV FL ⁸ KY ^{2,5,7} NJ GA ⁸ LA NC ⁸ HI MD RI ^{2,5} * requires County Milk Commission (CMC) approval; only Nye County has a CMC but has not approved any dairies yet	Superscript key – 1 - Limit number of lactating animals 2 - Only sale of goat milk legal 3 - Limit on sales volume 4 - Delivery legal 5 - By doctor's prescription only 6 - Sale at farmers' markets legal 7 - No law on herd shares ^B 8 - Sale of raw pet milk legal

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^A Other forms of raw milk distribution may also be allowed in any particular state. The [Raw Milk Nation Map](http://www.farmtoconsumer.org/map) shows the highest level of access allowed.

^B There is no law either expressly legalizing or prohibiting herd shares; state is aware herd share programs currently exist and has taken no action to try to stop them.