



PENN STATE DAIRY



The Penn State Dairy Cattle Research and Education Center is one of the new Dairy of Distinction farms. Located at University Park, the facility has primary functions of research and education. Because of their size and public use, the buildings were constructed without the use of wood. Strict building codes required a sizeable sprinkler system for fire control. The Penn State dairy herd numbers 360 head with about 180 milking cows.

The feed center and horizontal silos provide facilities for storage

and mixing feeds for all animals at the dairy operation. A 60-cow tie-stall barn has the capability of individual feeding for research studies. The facility was designed with wide feed alleys to accommodate modern feeding equipment. The milking parlor consists of a double-10 herringbone stall arrangement with rapid-exit gates.

The manager is Mark Amsler, and the assistant manager is Robert Hoffman.

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