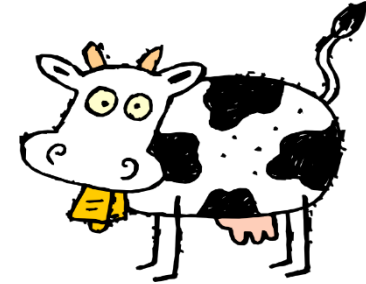


# Cow Facts



- Cows chew their cud – partially digested food – for up to eight hours a day.
- Farmers can milk six cows in an hour by hand. With milking machines, they can milk more than 100 cows per hour.
- Cows can drink a bathtub full of water each day.
- They eat about 40 pounds of hay each day.
- The best cows produce more than 25 gallons of milk a day. That is about 400 glasses of milk.
- A cow must have a calf to produce milk. The calf drinks milk for eight or nine weeks and then the farmers can continue milking the cow to sell the milk to people.
- God made cows with four parts to their stomachs. One part of the stomach is called the reticulum. It is called the hardware stomach because when cows eat metal, it will often lodge her without causing damage.
- Farmers wash the cows' udders so that germs do not get into the milk and make people sick.

