

# Dairy Breeds

## Holstein

(HOHL-STEEN)



### ORIGIN:

The Netherlands

### COLOR:

Black & White or Red & White

### PRODUCTION (yearly):

22,540 lbs milk

819 lbs (3.6%) butterfat

650 lbs (3.1%) protein

### SIZE:

Mature Cow - 1,500 lbs

Calf at birth - 95 lbs

**1852** - The first cow was imported to the U.S. & purchased by Winthrop Chenery who then formed the foundation herd of the breed in 1861.

**1885** - The present Holstein-Friesian Association of America was officially incorporated with 284 members.

**1994** - The Holstein-Friesian Association officially changed its name to Holstein Association USA, Inc.

**Today** - There are about 20,000 adult members & 8,000 junior members in the Holstein Association.

Holsteins are the most popular breed of dairy cattle because they surpass all breeds in total pounds of milk and milk components produced.