**California Tops 'Fart Chart' in EPA Dairy Cow Emission Study**

Be proud, California – we're the stinkiest. *Mother Jones* last week pointed out that we rank #1 for dairy cow emissions (ah, no wonder happy cows come from California).

Now it should be said that the report, analyzed and presented by Santa Monica-based ProCon.org (they nicknamed it the “Fart Chart”), is from 2009 based on even earlier data, but we thought it be still relevant today, considering that L.A. is a cheese-loving and alternative energy-debating kind of town.

Animal rights and environmental groups want the EPA to regulate greenhouse gases from concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) under the Clean Air Act. Citing a study from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, 16% of greenhouse gases come from animal farm. "This is a higher share than transport," it noted.

Rounding out the top five dairy cow states is Wisconsin, New York, Pennsylvania and Minnesota.

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This is an important statistic. Anthropogenics is a large, widely uncontrolled contributor to global warming that has yet to be properly addressed.

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Ross A. Lincoln replied to comment from Griffith Park Wayist

I'd also add that the cows crammed into the Central California pens that currently make driving north on the 5 unbearable don't look particularly happy to me.

**REPLY** [MAY 3, 2010 1:53 PM][REPORT THIS]

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A higher share than transport? By how much?