



## 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, 18% 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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I'd also add that the cows crammed into the Central California pens that currently make driving noth on the 5 unbearable don't look particularly happy to me.

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The map is not correct.

I've been trying to cut back on my meat intake and eating alot of beans instead. My body still has not completely adjusted.

If the EPA could somehow deduct my "emissions" California would appear as dark brown instead of red on the map.

It must be noted that I do feel better. Dont eat meat for a week. Try it. You might like it. Just dont give your wife a dutch oven!

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A higher share than transport? By how much?

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