

OSU Dairy History

1903

The first dairy specialist was brought to Oklahoma State University. The first dairy cattle were three Holsteins (2 cows, 1 bull).

1904

The first dairy building was build. The cost was \$7,900. It included a classroom, a small dairy processing plant, and a milking room.

1907

The Department of Dairy Husbandry was established at Oklahoma State.

1910

The Dairy Barn, a large frame building, was added to accommodate a new herd of Jersey cows.

1923

A new steel and brick barn was completed on the far west side of the farm.

1925

The dairy encouraged upper class students to own milk cows and keep on the farm. Ten students purchased two cows from the farm at \$250 each.

1928

The new dairy building was constructed and housed the Departments of Dairy Science, and Agricultural Economics until 1962.

1928

The Institute of Animal Sciences and Industry (including poultry, dairy, and animal sciences) became the Department of Animal Science.

1928

The current parlor was built.

2020

The OSU Ferguson Family Dairy Visitor Center opened.

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