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dair·y  (dâr ē)

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n. pl. dair·ies

1. A commercial establishment for processing or selling milk and milk products.
2. A place where milk and cream are stored and processed.
3. A dairy farm.
4. The dairy business; dairying.
5. Food containing milk or milk derivatives.

adj.

1. Of, for, or relating to milk or milk products: *the dairy section at the grocery store.*
2. Of or relating to dairying.
3. *Judaism* Of or relating to food products containing milk or milk derivatives and not containing meat or meat derivatives, as dictated by dietary law.

[Middle English *daierie* : *daie*, dairymaid (from Old English *dāge*, bread kneader; see **dheigh-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)) + Anglo-Norman *-erie*, place (from Old French; see [-ERY](#)).]

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