U.S. Beef Community

- Beef cattle are raised in all 50 states
- Average age of a cattle producer is 58.3

882,692 total cattle & calf operations. Of these:

- 802,317 are cow/calf and stocker/backgrounder cattle farms and ranches
- 96% are family owned and operated
- 9% are operated by women
- 28,180 are feedlot production operations (80% family owned.)
- 54,599 are dairy herds
- All Cattle and Calves
  - 93.6 million – 1% decrease from 2020 (93.8 million)
- All Cattle on Feed
  - 14.7 million – comparable to 2020 (14.7 million)
    - >1000 head feedlot capacity – 81.4% cattle
- Cows
  - Beef: 31.2 million head, down 1% from 2020
  - Milk: 9.44 million head, down 1% from 2020
- Cows and Heifers that Calved
  - 40.69 million head – slightly below 2020 (40.7 million)
- Heifers 500lbs and over
  - 20 million head – comparable to 2020 (20 million)
    - Beef Replacement Heifers
      - 5.81 million, up slightly from 2020
    - Milk Replacement Heifers
      - 4.60 million, down 2% from 2020
    - Other Heifers
      - 9.58 million, 1% increase from 2020
- Steers 500lbs and over
  - 16.6 million head – up slightly from 2020
- Bulls 500lbs and over
  - 2.21 million head – down 1% from 2020
- Calves under 500lbs
  - 2.21 million head – down 1% from 2020
- 2020 Calf Crop
  - 35.1 million head – down 1% from 2019
    - Jan.– June Calves: 25.8 million head - down 1% from 2019
Top 5 States

- **All Cattle**
  - Texas: 13.1 million
  - Nebraska: 6.85 million
  - Kansas: 6.5 million
  - Oklahoma: 5.3 million
  - California: 5.15 million
- **Cows and Heifers that have Calved**
  - Texas: 5.3 million
  - California: 2.39 million
  - Oklahoma: 2.23 million
  - Missouri: 2.16 million
  - Nebraska: 1.96 million
- **Beef Cows that have Calved**
  - Texas: 4.69 million
  - Oklahoma: 2.19 million
  - Missouri: 2.04 million
  - Nebraska: 1.9 million
  - South Dakota: 1.8 million
- **Dairy Cows that have Calved**
  - California: 1.72 million
  - Wisconsin: 1.26 million
  - Idaho: 646,000
  - New York: 625,000
  - Texas: 615,000
- **Calf Crop**
  - Texas: 4.6 million
  - Oklahoma: 1.95 million
  - Missouri: 1.91 million
  - California: 1.84 million
  - South Dakota: 1.78 million
- **Cattle on Feed**
  - Texas: 2.89 million
  - Nebraska: 2.72 million
  - Kansas: 2.66 million
  - Iowa: 1.17 million
  - Colorado: 1.14 million

*Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service*