

**Florida all Cattle & Calves
Top Ten Counties, Jan. 1, 2021**

	head
Okeechobee.....	175,000
Highlands.....	120,000
Osceola.....	97,000
Polk.....	92,000
Hardee.....	70,000
Glades.....	65,000
DeSoto.....	64,000
Hendry.....	62,000
Suwannee.....	52,000
Marion.....	48,500

**Florida Beef Cow Numbers
Top Eight Counties, Jan. 1, 2021**

	head
Okeechobee.....	81,000
Highlands.....	71,000
Polk.....	63,000
Osceola.....	62,000
Hendry.....	38,000
Hardee.....	36,000
DeSoto.....	35,500
Marion.....	29,000

**United States Beef Cow Numbers
Top Thirteen States, Jan. 1, 2021**

	head
Texas.....	4,635,000
Oklahoma.....	2,159,000
Missouri.....	2,035,000
Nebraska.....	1,880,000
South Dakota.....	1,779,000
Kansas.....	1,457,000
Montana.....	1,389,000
Kentucky.....	973,000
North Dakota.....	965,000
Florida.....	929,000
Arkansas.....	925,000
Tennessee.....	900,000
Iowa.....	860,000

Florida Cattle

Florida ranked 10th in beef cows on January 1, 2021, with an inventory of 929,000, 3.0 percent of the U.S. total.

The 2020 calf crop totaled 820,000, which was 15th in the nation and 2.3 percent of the U.S. total.

Florida ranked 12th in cow inventory on January 1, 2021 with 1,040,000 head, which was 2.6 percent of the U.S. total.

Florida milk cow inventory totaled 111,000 on January 1, 2021, which was the 20th in the nation and 1.2 percent of the U.S. total.

Dairy operations in Florida produced 2.29 billion pounds of milk in 2020, averaging 20,257 pounds per cow. Florida produced 1.0 percent of the U.S. total.

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FLORIDA CATTLE AND CALVES

Cattle and calves on farms, January 1, 2001-2021

Year	Cattle kept for milk			Beef cattle and all calves							Total cattle and calves
	Milk cows ¹	Heifers 500 lbs and over ²	Total	Beef cows ¹	500 pounds and over				Calves under 500 pounds ³	Total	
					Bulls ³	Replacement heifers ⁴	Other heifers	Steers			
	(1,000 head)										
2001	155	40	195	975	60	145	25	20	380	1,605	1,800
2002	152	40	192	958	60	140	25	25	380	1,588	1,780
2003	147	40	187	953	60	130	25	25	370	1,563	1,750
2004	140	40	180	950	60	140	20	20	370	1,560	1,740
2005	138	40	178	932	60	145	20	20	355	1,532	1,710
2006	134	40	174	916	60	140	20	20	350	1,506	1,680
2007	130	30	160	950	60	145	30	20	365	1,570	1,730
2008	120	35	155	940	60	135	30	20	370	1,555	1,710
2009	118	35	153	942	60	130	25	20	370	1,547	1,700
2010	112	30	142	958	60	125	25	30	380	1,578	1,720
2011	114	35	149	936	60	100	25	20	340	1,481	1,630
2012	120	30	150	970	60	110	30	20	370	1,560	1,710
2013	123	30	153	977	60	110	20	20	360	1,547	1,700
2014	123	35	158	907	60	115	30	25	375	1,512	1,670
2015	124	35	159	906	60	130	30	25	370	1,521	1,680
2016	125	40	165	905	55	125	25	25	380	1,515	1,680
2017	122	35	157	908	60	125	30	30	390	1,543	1,700
2018	124	40	164	886	55	115	30	20	360	1,466	1,630
2019	116	35	151	914	60	130	25	20	380	1,529	1,680
2020	116	35	151	904	60	130	25	35	385	1,529	1,680
2021	111	30	141	929	55	130	25	35	385	1,549	1,700

¹ Cows and heifers that have calved.

² Milk replacement heifers which have not calved.

³ Includes small number for dairy use.

⁴ Beef replacement heifers which have not calved.

FLORIDA CATTLE AND CALVES

Inventory January 1, annual calf crop, and disposition, 2001-2021

Year	On hand January 1		Calf crop	Inshipments	Marketings ²			Farm slaughter cattle and calves ³	Deaths
	All cattle and calves	All cows ¹			Total	Cattle	Calves		
	(1,000 head)								
2001	1,800	1,130	940	60	948	261	687	2.0	70
2002	1,780	1,110	930	60	958	281	677	2.0	60
2003	1,750	1,100	920	60	929	267	662	2.0	59
2004	1,740	1,090	900	75	944	263	681	2.0	59
2005	1,710	1,070	880	65	913	261	652	2.0	60
2006	1,680	1,050	910	130	929	228	701	2.0	59
2007	1,730	1,080	900	107	962	241	721	2.0	63
2008	1,710	1,060	880	120	947	246	701	2.0	61
2009	1,700	1,060	900	121	942	231	711	2.0	57
2010	1,720	1,070	870	88	992	301	691	2.0	54
2011	1,630	1,050	890	94	842	231	611	2.0	60
2012	1,710	1,090	880	93	912	281	631	2.0	69
2013	1,700	1,100	820	87	882	271	621	1.0	54
2014	1,670	1,030	820	64	812	251	561	1.0	61
2015	1,680	1,030	800	63	797	236	561	1.5	65
2016	1,680	1,030	810	51	783	222	561	1.5	57
2017	1,700	1,030	790	37	840	229	611	1.5	56
2018	1,630	1,010	820	33	744	228	516	1.5	58
2019	1,680	1,030	800	40	777.5	220	555.5	1.5	63
2020	1,680	1,020	820	35	773.5	216	557.5	1.5	60
2021	1,700	1,040	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA Not available.

¹ Cows and heifers that have calved.

² Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and State outshipments, but excludes inter-farm sales within States.

³ Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.