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## SOUTH DAKOTA JANUARY 1 CATTLE INVENTORY

**SIoux FALLS, S.D. January 29, 2021** - All cattle and calves in South Dakota as of January 1, 2021 totaled 4.00 million head, up 3% from January 1, 2020, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

**All cows and heifers** that had calved totaled 1.94 million head, up 2% from last year.

**Beef cows** totaled 1.80 million head, up 1% from last year.

**Milk cows** totaled 141,000 head, up 11% from January 1, 2020.

**All heifers** 500 pounds and over totaled 920,000 head, up 6% from last year.

**Steers** weighing 500 pounds and over totaled 700,000 head, down 1% from last year.

**Bulls** weighing 500 pounds and over totaled 110,000 head, unchanged from last year.

**Calves** under 500 pounds totaled 330,000 head, up 8% from January 1, 2020.

**All cattle on feed** fed for slaughter in South Dakota feedlots totaled 460,000 head, up 5% from the previous year.

The **2020 calf crop** totaled 1.78 million head, down 2% from 2019.

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