



# Cattle Inventory

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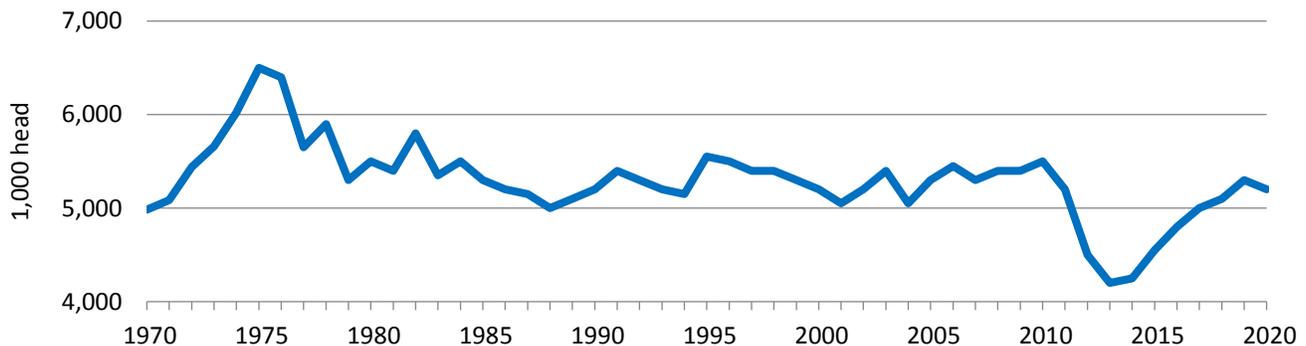
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Estimates in this report are the result of data collected during the January Cattle Survey from a random sample of producers across the nation. Survey procedures ensured that all cattle producers, regardless of size, had a chance to be included in the survey. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of these estimates made for the Southern Plains Region. We would like to thank all who responded to the survey and made these estimates possible.

Inventory and calf crop estimates were reviewed using official slaughter data, import and export data, and the relationship of the current survey indications to previous surveys. Revisions to previous estimates are made to improve year to year and item to item relationships.

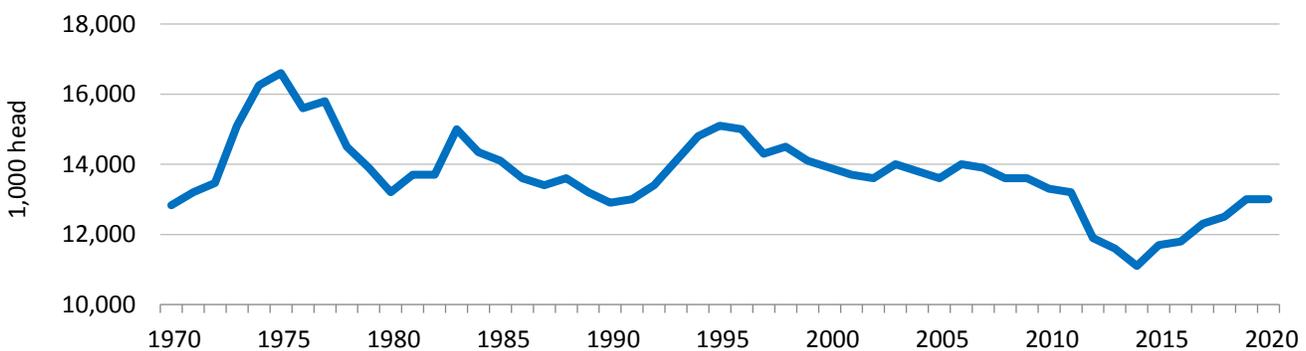
The inventory of Oklahoma cattle and calves totaled 5.20 million head on January 1, 2020, down 2 percent from last year's inventory. Oklahoma makes up 6 percent of the total United States inventory.

### Oklahoma All Cattle Inventory



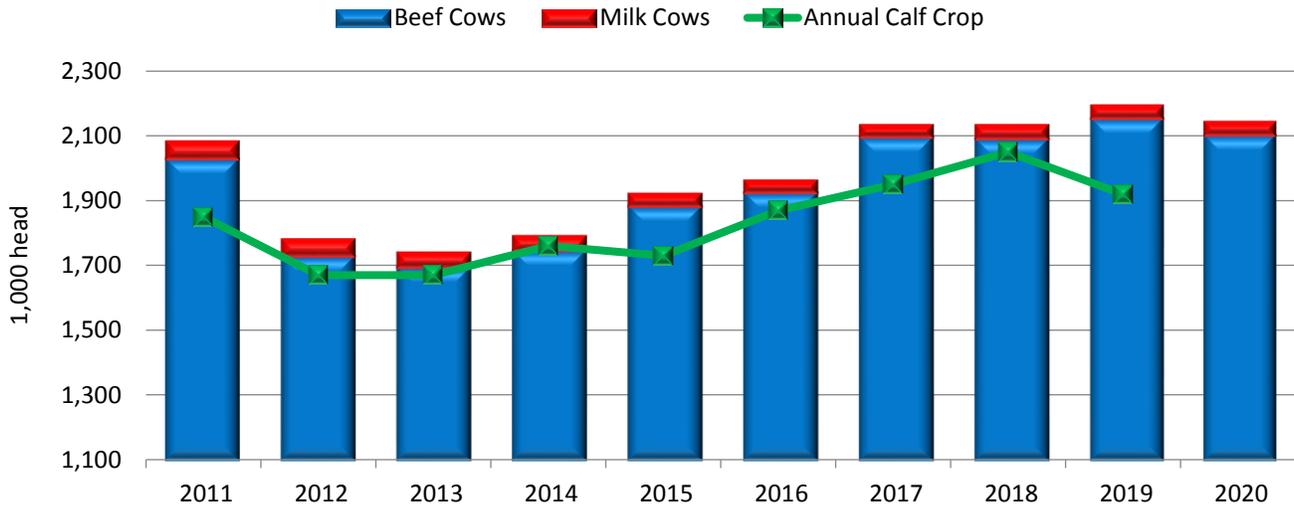
The inventory of Texas cattle and calves totaled 13.0 million head on January 1, 2020, unchanged from last year's inventory. Texas continues to rank first in the nation in total number of cattle and calves with 14 percent of the total United States inventory.

### Texas All Cattle Inventory



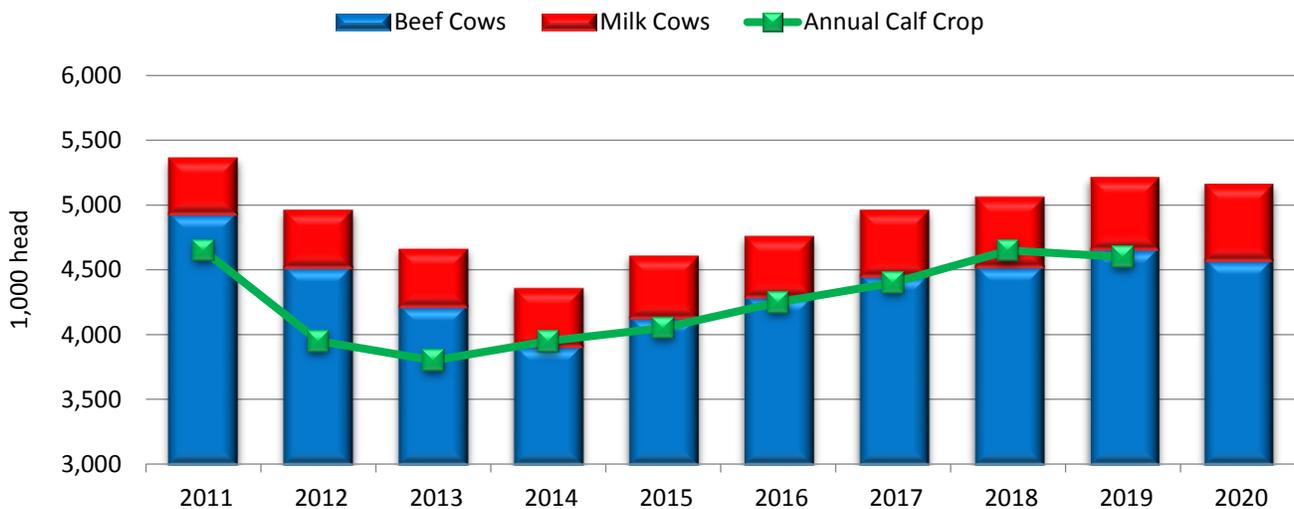
Total inventory of all cows that have calved in Oklahoma was 2.14 million head, 2 percent below last year's total. Beef cow inventory, at 2.10 million head, was down 2 percent from 2019. Milk cow inventory, at 41.0 thousand head, was up 1 thousand head from the 2019 total of 40.0 thousand head.

### Oklahoma Cow Inventory and Calf Crop



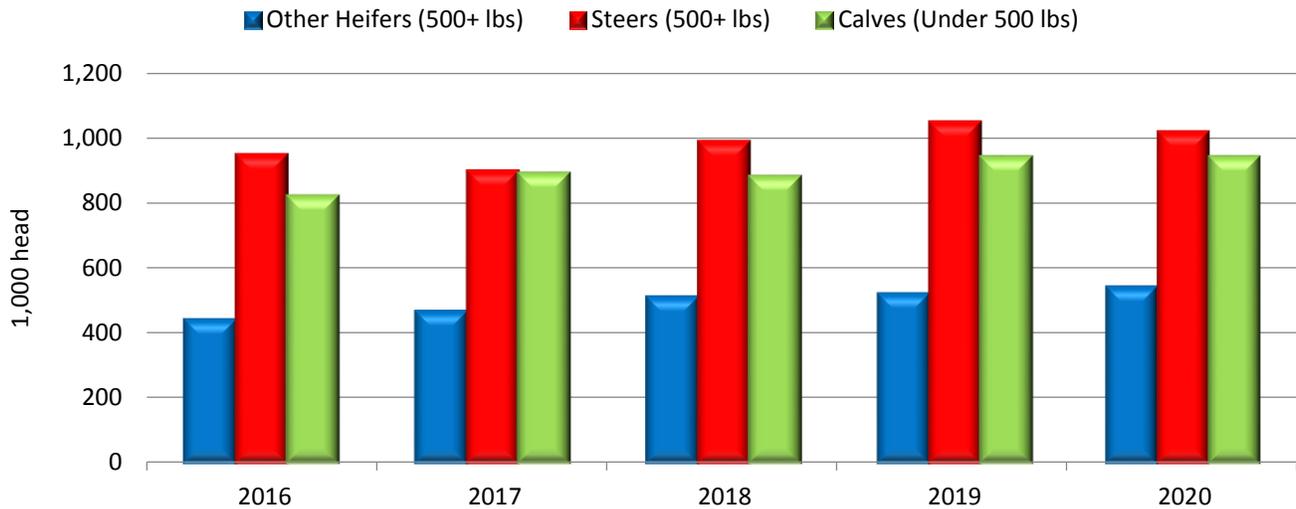
Total inventory of all cows that have calved in Texas was 5.15 million head, 1 percent below last year's total. Beef cow inventory, at 4.57 million head, was down 2 percent from 2019. Milk cow inventory, at 580 thousand head, was up 35 thousand head from the 2019 total of 545 thousand head.

### Texas Cow Inventory and Calf Crop



Inventory of all heifers 500 pounds and over in Oklahoma totaled 930 thousand on January 1, 2020, 1 percent below 2019. Beef replacement heifers, at 370 thousand head, is 8 percent lower than 2019. Milk replacement heifers totaled 20.0 thousand head, unchanged from last year.

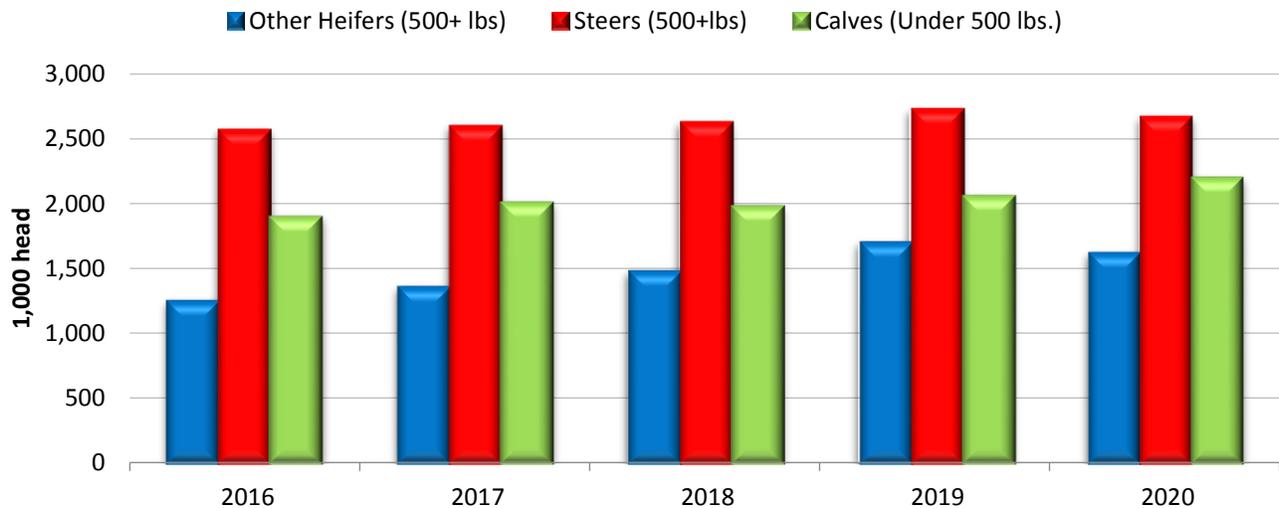
### Oklahoma Feeder Cattle Supply



Oklahoma inventory of steers 500 pounds and over totaled 1.02 million head on January 1, 2020, down 3 percent from last year. Inventory of calves less than 500 pounds, at 940 thousand head, is unchanged from last year's total. The 2019 calf crop totaled 1.92 million head, 6 percent lower than the 2018 calf crop.

Inventory of all heifers 500 pounds and over in Texas totaled 2.65 million on January 1, 2020, 1 percent below 2019. Beef replacement heifers, at 770 thousand head, is 4 percent higher than 2019. Milk replacement heifers totaled 270 thousand head, up 4 percent from last year.

### Texas Feeder Cattle Supply



Texas inventory of steers 500 pounds and over totaled 2.66 million head on January 1, 2020, down 2 percent from last year. Inventory of calves less than 500 pounds, at 2.19 million head, is 7 percent above last year's total. The 2019 calf crop totaled 4.60 million head, 1 percent lower than the 2018 calf crop.

**January Cattle Inventory and Calf Crop  
Oklahoma, Texas, and United States**

	Oklahoma		Texas		United States	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	<i>1,000 head</i>					
All Cattle and Calves.....	5,300	5,200	13,000	13,000	94,805	94,413
Cows & Heifers that have calved.....	2,190	2,140	5,200	5,150	41,044	40,651
Beef Cows.....	2,150	2,099	4,655	4,570	31,691	31,317
Milk Cows.....	40	41	545	580	9,353	9,335
Heifers 500 pounds and over .....						
Beef Replacement.....	400	370	740	770	5,885	5,772
Milk Replacement.....	20	20	260	270	4,702	4,637
Other Heifers.....	520	540	1,690	1,610	9,624	9,706
Steers 500 pounds and over .....	1,050	1,020	2,720	2,660	16,758	16,671
Bulls 500 pounds and over.....	180	170	340	350	2,253	2,237
Calves under 500 pounds .....	940	940	2,050	2,190	14,540	14,739
Calf Crop <sup>1</sup> .....	2,050	1,920	4,650	4,600	36,313	36,060

<sup>1</sup> Previous year.

**U.S. Highlights:** The United States inventory of all cattle and calves totaled 94.4 million head on January 1, slightly below last year's inventory of 94.8 million head.

All cows and heifers that have calved totaled 40.7 million head, down 1 percent from the 41.0 million on January 1, 2019. Beef cows totaled 31.3 million head, down 1 percent from a year ago, while milk cows were down slightly from a year ago at 9.33 million head. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.77 million head, were down 2 percent from the previous year. Milk replacement heifer numbers were down 1 percent to 4.64 million head. The 2019 calf crop was estimated at 36.1 million head, down 1 percent from 2018.

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