



# Cattle on Feed

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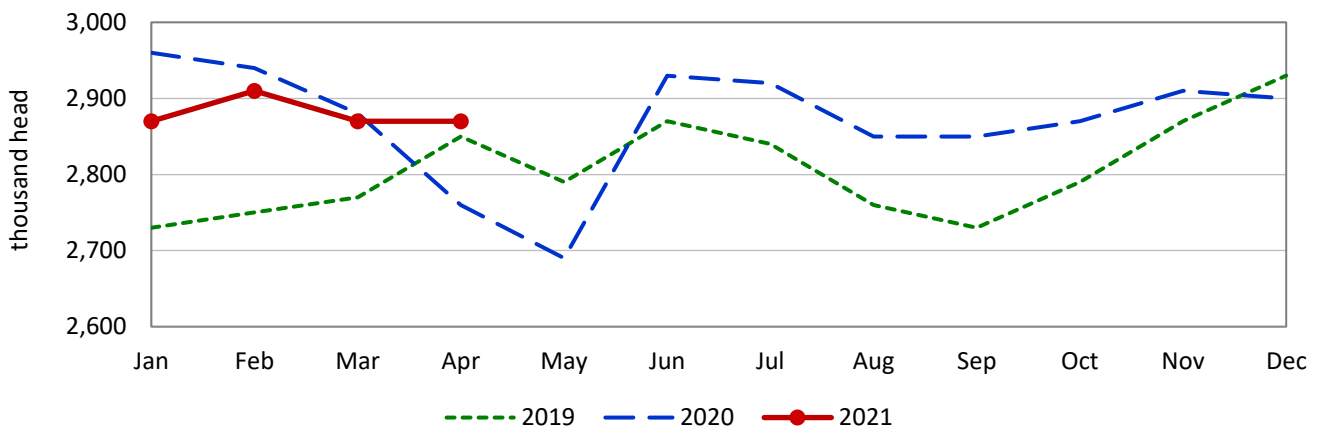
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This report contains results from the April 2021 Cattle on Feed Survey collected during the first two weeks of April. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on May 21, 2021.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Texas** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.87 million head on April 1, 2021, up 4 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 465 thousand head in commercial feedlots during March, up 33 percent from a year ago. Texas commercial feeders marketed 455 thousand head during March, down 1 percent from 2020.

On April 1, there were 2.54 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 88 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was up 5 percent from last year but the same as the March 1 total. March placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 420 thousand head, up 51 percent from the February total. Marketings were up 36 percent from last month at 412 thousand head.

Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory

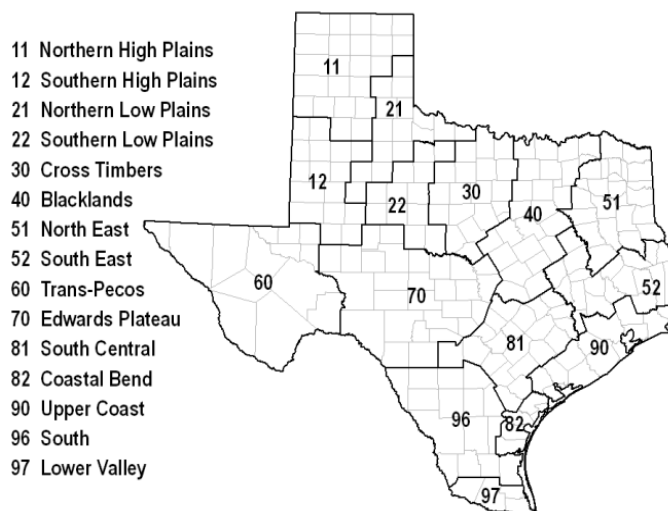


Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

Cattle and Calves	District 11	District 12	District 21	District 70	District 81	District 96	Other districts	State total
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
On feed March 1, 2021 <sup>1</sup>	2,539	163	48	11	31	41	37	2,870
Placed on feed during March	420	26	5	2	3	4	5	465
Fed cattle marketed during March	412	25	4	2	4	4	4	455
Other disappearance during March <sup>2</sup>	8	1	0	0	0	1	0	10
On feed April 1, 2021 <sup>1</sup>	2,539	163	49	11	30	40	38	2,870

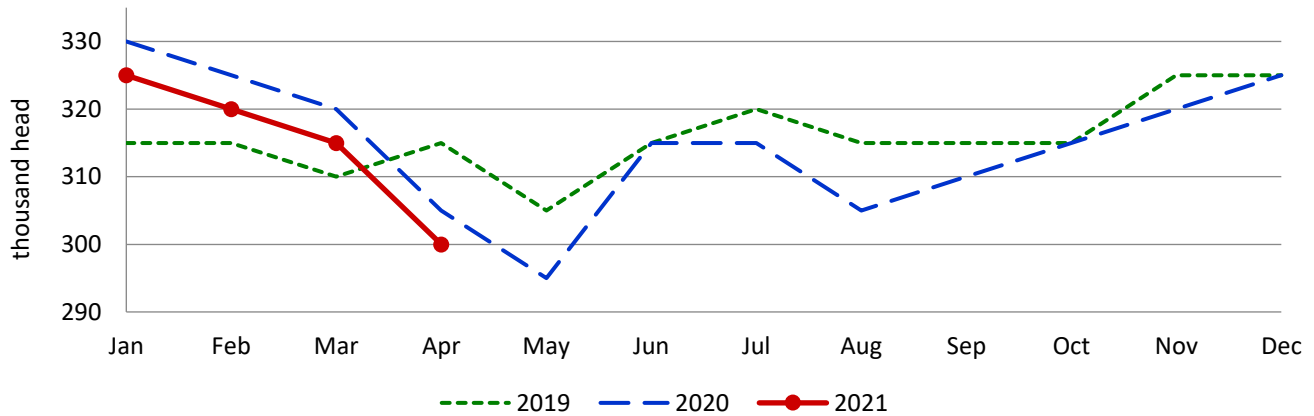
<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

<sup>2</sup> Included death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.



Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Oklahoma** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 300 thousand head on April 1, 2021, down 2 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 55 thousand head in commercial feedlots during March, up 38 percent from a year ago. Oklahoma commercial feeders marketed 69 thousand head during March, up 28 percent from 2020. Other disappearance during March totaled 1 thousand head, unchanged from a year ago.

### Oklahoma Cattle on Feed Inventory



### Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlot

State	Cattle and Calves										
	On feed March 1		Placed on feed during March		Marketed during March		Other Disappearance during March		On feed April 1		
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Arizona .....	256	270	31	30	24	27	1	1	262	272	
California .....	545	565	62	63	66	66	6	7	535	555	
Colorado .....	1,050	1,100	135	180	220	215	5	5	960	1,060	
Idaho .....	295	290	28	35	37	34	1	1	285	290	
Iowa .....	670	630	69	112	105	109	4	3	630	630	
Kansas .....	2,380	2,470	345	490	425	470	10	10	2,290	2,480	
Minnesota .....	135	115	12	15	16	14	1	1	130	115	
Nebraska .....	2,500	2,610	380	440	475	455	15	15	2,390	2,580	
<b>Oklahoma .....</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>300</b>	
South Dakota .....	240	245	23	39	44	41	4	3	215	240	
<b>Texas .....</b>	<b>2,880</b>	<b>2,870</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2,760</b>	<b>2,870</b>	
Washington .....	235	225	33	19	32	38	1	1	235	205	
Other States .....	305	295	49	54	52	47	2	2	300	300	
United States .....	11,811	12,000	1,557	1,997	2,010	2,040	61	60	11,297	11,897	

### Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots<sup>1</sup>

State	During March 2020					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs <sup>2</sup>	Total
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Colorado .....	25	20	35	35	20	135
Kansas .....	40	50	110	100	45	345
Nebraska .....	25	45	100	120	90	380
<b>Texas .....</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>350</b>
Other States .....	105	40	80	82	40	347
United States .....	310	220	410	402	215	1,557
State	During March 2021					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs <sup>2</sup>	Total
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Colorado .....	35	30	45	45	25	180
Kansas .....	45	75	160	150	60	490
Nebraska .....	30	60	115	145	90	440
<b>Texas .....</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>465</b>
Other States .....	125	60	95	102	40	422
United States .....	405	325	510	522	235	1,997

<sup>1</sup> Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.

<sup>2</sup> For the U.S., the 900+ category represents the sum of 900-999 pound and 1,000+ pound weight groups.

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