

ESTIMATED JANUARY 1 U S FEEDER CATTLE SUPPLY
Steers and Heifers
(1,000 Head)

01/30/26
2.503

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Number Change 2026/2025	2026 % Change from '25
Yearlings & Calves													
1. Steers 500 Lbs. & Over	16305	16374	16528	16748	16571	16743	16697	16057	15959	15697	15601	-96	-0.6%
2. Other Heifers Over 500 Lbs. ^a	8753	8995	9341	9680	9612	9908	10135	9758	9651	9542	9398	-144	-1.5%
3. Animals Under 500 Lbs.	14067	14356	14401	14518	14312	14281	13980	13658	13488	13363	13347	-16	-0.1%
4. Total Inventory (1+2+3)	39125	39725	40271	40945	40495	40931	40811	39472	39097	38603	38346	-256	-0.7%
5. Steers & Heifers On-Feed ^b	13157	13108	14146	14368	14658	14668	14678	14196	14426	14323	13848	-475	-3.3%
Total Supply Outside Feedlots	25969	26616	26125	26577	25837	26263	26134	25276	24671	24280	24498	219	0.9%

^a Not including heifers kept for cow replacements.
^b Not including cows and bulls.