

TOP 30 CATTLE FEEDERS 2015

	COMPANY NAME	ONE TIME CAPACITY	NUMBER OF FEEDLOTS	2014 MARKETINGS	PREFERRED CATTLE TYPE
1	JBS Five Rivers Cattle Feeding Greeley, Colo.	930,000	11	1,800,000 est.	English Exot9ic Crossbreds
2	Cactus Feeders Amarillo, Texas	527,000	9	1,000,000 est.	English-Exotic Cross
3	Cargill Cattle Feeders LLC (1) Wichita, Kan.	300,000	4	800,000 est.	Cattle that fit Cargill brands
	Friona Industries LP Amarillo, Texas	300,000	4	680,000	English Cross
5	Cattle Empire LLC (2) Satanta, Kan.	245,500	5	Not disclosed	Lightweight cattle, Holsteins
6	Foote Cattle Company Bucyrus, Kan.	233,000	5	Not disclosed	English Cross
7	J. R. Simplot Co. Boise, Idaho	230,000	2	Not disclosed	Angus, Hereford
8	Irsik & Doll Cimarron, Kan.	215,000	6	Not disclosed	All breeds
9	Four States Feedyards Lamar, Colo.	195,000	8	Not disclosed	All types
10	Goltsch Livestock Feeders (3) Elkhorn, Neb.	195,500	3	Not disclosed	English
11	Agri Beef Co. Boise, Idaho	180,000	5	Not disclosed	Choice
	Innovative Livestock Solutions Great Bend, Kan.	180,000	10	Not disclosed	Yearlings, Holsteins
13	Oppliger Feedyard Inc Amarillo, Texas	174,000	4	Not disclosed	English-Exotic Cross
14	Tejas Feeding Group (4) Amarillo, Texas	160,000	4	Not Disclosed	
15	Pinal Feeding Co. Laveen, Ariz.	155,000	3	138,000	Holstein
16	AzTx Cattle Co. Hereford, Texas	140,000	2	Not disclosed	English-Exotic Cross
	Barrett-Crofoot, Inc. Hereford, Texas	140,000	2	Not disclosed	Profitable
18	Adams Land & Cattle Co Broken Bow, Neb.	135,500	4	Not disclosed	Not disclosed
19	Harris Feeding Company Coalinga, Calif.	135,000	2	Not disclosed	High grading native cattle
20	Bar G Feedyard Summerfield, Texas	125,000	2	Not Disclosed	All Types
21	Dinklage Feed Yard Inc. Sidney, Neb.	124,000	5	Not disclosed	No preference
22	Hitch Enterprises Guymon, Okla.	112,000	2	Not disclosed	Yearling steer/heifer
23	Dean Cluck Feedyard Amarillo, Texas	105,000	3	Not disclosed	Predictable performers
24	Bartlett Cattle Co. Kansas City, Mo.	100,000	2	Not disclosed	Profitable
25	Beef Northwest Feeders North Powder, Ore.	95,000	4	Not disclosed	Angus-Continental Cross
26	Cattle Town Feeders Hereford, Texas	94,000	2	Not disclosed	All types
27	Brandt Cattle Co. Brawley, Calif.	90,000	1	Not disclosed	Holstein cross-bred
28	Pratt Feeders, Inc. Pratt, Kan.	85,000	3	Not disclosed	English Cross
29	Brookover Feed Yards, Inc. Garden City, Kan.	80,000	2	Not disclosed	No preference
	Herd Cattle Co. Bartlett, Neb.	80,000	1	Not disclosed	All types
	Texas Beef Group Amarillo, Texas	80,000	2	200,000	No. 1 Cross

NOTES: Cattle Buyers Weekly's annual ranking of the industry's top 30 cattle feeding operations is based on the maximum one-time feeding capacity of finishing yards that share common ownership and/or management.

- (1) Cargill reduced its capacity by 60,000 head when it sold its Lockney, Texas in January 2015.
- (2) Cattle Empire added 2500 head of capacity in 2015
- (3) Goltsch added 3500 head of capacity at its Red Cloud, Neb. feedlot.
- (4) Tejas Feeding Group added 30,000 head of capacity after buying a feedlot.