



Colorado **Beef** Industry Snapshot

In **Colorado** there are

2.55 MILLION

HEAD OF CATTLE WITH

12,030

FARMS AND RANCHES

93%

OF COLORADO'S FARMS AND
RANCHES ARE FAMILY OWNED

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IN THE U.S. FOR CATTLE ON FEED

COLORADO'S BEEF COW
INVENTORY TOTALS OVER

620,000



COLORADO'S TOP
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT IS
CATTLE & CALVES

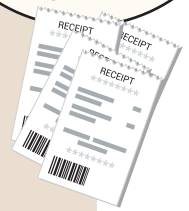


CATTLE AND CALVES MADE UP

53.9%

OF CASH AG RECEIPTS TOTALING

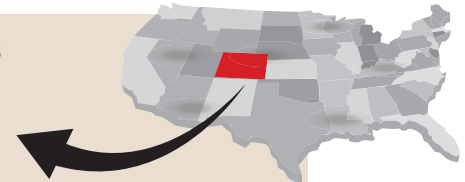
\$4.987 BILLION



COLORADO RANKS

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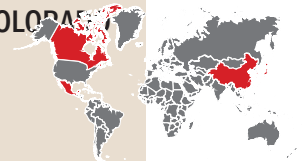
IN THE NATION FOR BEEF EXPORTS



IN 2023 BEEF EXPORTS FROM COLORADO
TOTALLED

\$492 MILLION

SOUTH KOREA, CANADA, CHINA, MEXICO
AND JAPAN ARE COLORADO'S TOP EXPORT
MARKETS FOR BEEF.



Sources:

U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service
U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2022 Census of Agriculture
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service

Colorado Beef Council is a part of the Federation of State Beef Councils.

About the Federation of State Beef Councils

Created in 1963, the Federation of State Beef Councils represents the 43 Qualified State Beef Councils and is committed to its vision, which is to build beef demand by inspiring, unifying and supporting an effective and coordinated state and national Checkoff partnership. State beef councils voluntarily invest in the Federation to enhance the national Checkoff and leverage producer dollars through a coordinated partnership. Housed at the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, a contractor to the Beef Checkoff, the Federation is a grassroots organization run by producers across the country.

About the Beef Checkoff

The Beef Checkoff was established as part of the 1985 Farm Bill. The Checkoff assesses \$1 per head on the sale of live domestic and imported cattle, in addition to a comparable assessment on imported beef and beef products. States may retain up to 50 cents of the dollar and forward the other 50 cents per head to the Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board, which administers the national Checkoff program, subject to USDA approval.

