

Top 30 Beef Packers 2013

	COMPANY NAME HEAD OFFICE	U.S. CAPACITY (HEAD PER DAY)	NUMBER OF U.S. PLANTS	2012 U.S. BEEF SALES (IN MILLIONS OF \$)	2012 U.S. KILL (000 HEAD)	CATTLE TYPE (INCL. 2012 SLAUGHTER MIX)
1	Tyson Foods Springdale, Ark.	28,950	7	13,755	6,864 *	Choice Fed Fed 100%
2	JBS USA (1) Greeley, Colo.	27,125	9	17,478 (includes Australia)	6,700	Angus/Angus Cross, Holstein/Cow Fed 90%, Non Fed 10%
3	Cargill Beef Wichita, Kan.	25,700	8	11,200	7,00	Fed Steers and Heifers Fed 86%, Non Fed 14%
4	National Beef Packing Co. Kansas City, Mo.	14,000	3	7,481	3,675 *	Angus/English Fed 100%
5	American Foods Group LLC Alexandria, Minn.	7800	5	3,000	1,800 *	Holstein Non Fed 80%, Fed 20%
6	Greater Omaha Packing Co. Omaha, Neb.	2900	1	1,300	780	Angus, Hereford, Natural Fed 100%
7	Nebraska Beef Ltd. Omaha, Neb.	2400	1	750	450	Angus/Angus Cross Fed 100%
8	Caviness Beef Packers Ltd. Hereford, Texas	1800	1	580	470	Cows, Bulls, Fed Non Fed 90%, Fed 10%
9	AB Foods LLC. Boise, Idaho	1500	1	Not Disclosed	400	70% Plus Choice Fed 100%
10	FPL Food LLC. Augusta, Ga.	1400	1	350	221	Cow, Bull Non Fed 98%, Fed 2%
	Kane Beef Corpus Christi, Texas	1400	1	400	285	Crosses Fed 100%
12	Creekstone Farms Premium Beef Arkansas City, Kan.	1350	1	622	292	High Quality Black Angus Fed 100%
13	Central Valley Meat Hanford, Calif.	1300	1	315	240	Cow, Bull, Fed Holstein Non Fed 85%, Fed 15%
14	Lone Star Beef Processors San Angelo, Texas	1150	1	Not Disclosed	275*	Beef Cows Non Fed 100%
15	L & H Packing San Antonio, Texas	1000	1	Not Available	Not Available	Cows Non Fed 100%
16	Harris Ranch Beef Co. Selma, Calif.	910	1	470	240	High Quality Native Fed 100%
17	PM Beef Holdings Windom, Minn.	900	1	302	161	Fed Cattle Fed 100%
18	Central Beef Industries Center Hill, Fla.	750	1	180	165	Cow, Bull, Fed Non Fed 90%, Fed 10%
19	Preferred Beef Group Booker, Texas	725	1	Not Disclosed	202	Cow, Bull Non Fed 90%, Fed 10%
20	Brown Packing Co. Gaffney, S.C.	650	1	209	162	Cow, Bull Non Fed 100%
21	Aurora Packing Co. North Aurora, Ill.	630	1	Not Disclosed	120	Prime, High Choice, Black Angus Fed 100%
22	American Beef Packers Chino, Calif.	550	1	131	149	Dairy Cows and Bulls Non Fed 100%
	Triple J Family Farms Buffalo Lake, Minn.	550	1	Not Disclosed	Not Disclosed	Choice Fed Fed 100%

24	VPP Group LLC Norwalk, Wis.	500	1	110	115	Dairy and Beef Cow/ Non Fed 90%, Fed 10%
25	Elkhorn Valley Packing Harper, Kan.	315	1	Not Disclosed	Not Disclosed	Angus, Angus Cross Fed 100%
26	Randolph Packing Co. Asheboro, N.C.	310	1	Not Disclosed	Not Disclosed	Cow, Bull Non Fed 100%
27	Open Range Beef (2) Gordon, Neb.	275	1	Not Available	Not Available	Fed Cattle Fed 100%
28	Manning Beef//Bro Pak (2) Pico Rivera, Calif.	250	1	75	65	Calf-Fed Holstein, Natural Black Angus, Fed 100%
	Nicholas Meat Packing (2) Loganton, Pa.	250	1	66	53	Cow, Bull Non Fed 100%
30	Schenk Packing Co.(2) Stanwood, Wash.	230	1	99	68	Dairy, Beef Cow and Bull Non Fed 100%

Source: Cattle Buyer's Weekly

NOTES: CBW's annual ranking of the Top 30 Beef Packers is based on maximum daily slaughter capacity at U.S. plants that operate under common ownership and/or management. Plant numbers refer to slaughter plants only. Unless otherwise stated, sales are beef sales from U.S. operations. An asterisk (*) refers to a CBW estimate. Cattle type refers to preferred type.

- (1) JBS USA's capacity, and slaughter total are U.S. only. Its beef sales include its U.S. and Australia beef operations.
(2) Open Range Beef, Manning Beef/Bro Pak, Nicholas Meat Packing and Schenk Packing Co. enter CBW's Top 30 ranking for the first time.