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USDA Market News

MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of February

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally	:	Canadian Live Bison Imports
into U.S.		
Inspected Plants (not necessarily		for March.
Head		
inspected)	Bison	:
W/E 3/06/10	1147	:Slaughter Male
812		
W/E 3/13/10	1200	:Slaughter Female
773		
W/E 3/20/10	1062	:Feeder Male
476		
W/E 3/27/10	1092	:Feeder Female
417		
		:Total
2478		
Total	4,501	:Source: USDA, APHIS

Bison Carcasses: Compared to February's report: The bottom side prices for prime bulls and heifers rose while the top side prices remained firm. In contrast, the bottom side prices for the aged bulls and cows drifted lower. Demand for market ready animals remained competitive.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis			
CLASS	-----Hd-	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd
Avg --			
Young Bulls **	2,053	235.00 - 250.00	
246.53			
Young Heifers **	1,592	225.00 - 240.00	
238.70			
Aged Bulls **	10	165.00 - 190.00	
185.00			
Aged Cows **	300	135.00 - 195.00	
165.10			
Total	3,955		

Bison Meat: Compared to February's report: Prices inched higher for middle meats while end prices slid slightly lower as the grilling season approaches. Prices for case ready bison meat slid lower while most prices

for wholesale ground product moved higher.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)

-----Lbs	-----Price Range-----	Wghtd
Avg --		
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh 47,081 978.64	750.00 - 1,225.00	
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen 8,504 833.86	710.00 - 932.00	
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh 100,446 341.78	330.00 - 425.00	
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen 20,842 366.72	350.00 - 420.00	
Top Round Fresh 2,113 443.05	390.00 - 458.00	
Top Round Frozen 4,525 431.76	380.00 - 485.00	
Peeled Knuckle Fresh 6,507 394.91	315.00 - 434.00	
Peeled Knuckle Frozen 6,347 406.47	390.00 - 428.00	
Flats, Outside Round Fresh 594 402.48	285.00 - 415.00	
Flats, Outside Round Frozen 1,735 424.70	336.00 - 460.00	
Eye of Round Fresh 382 382.02	285.00 - 490.00	
Eye of Round Frozen 844 450.30	410.00 - 546.00	
Strip Loin Fresh 32,007 898.18	720.00 - 1,050.00	
Strip Loin Frozen 3,981 810.38	378.00 - 975.00	
Top Sirloin Fresh 15,029 581.54	495.00 - 750.00	
Top Sirloin Frozen 3,925 507.86	427.00 - 650.00	
Tenderloin Fresh 23,228 1,239.63	1,050.00 - 1,650.00	
Tenderloin Frozen 9,403 1,128.39	1,000.00 - 1,350.00	

BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)

-----Lbs	-----Price Range-----	Wghtd
Avg --		
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh 29,221 349.36	335.00 - 420.00	
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen 31,155 331.94	313.00 - 355.00	
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh 18,520 332.15	310.00 - 379.00	

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd
Avg --			
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	89,424	300.00 - 395.00	
340.00			
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	6,350	351.00 - 490.00	
451.69			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	81,848	300.00 - 470.00	
391.87			
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	30,073	350.00 - 525.00	
371.57			
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	7,142	347.00 - 347.00	
347.00			
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	64,172	345.00 - 435.00	
418.15			

 BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd	Avg
-				
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh				
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen				
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh				
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen				
Top Round Fresh				
Top Round Frozen				
Peeled Knuckle Fresh				
Peeled Knuckle Frozen				
Flats, Outside Round Fresh				
Flats, Outside Round Frozen				
Eye of Round Fresh				
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh				
Strip Loin Frozen				
Top Sirloin Fresh				
Top Sirloin Frozen				
Tenderloin Fresh				
Tenderloin Frozen				

 GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd	Avg
-				
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	463,525	340.00 - 390.00		
361.33				
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	44,777	375.00 - 439.00		
367.49				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	9,138	337.00 - 356.00		
355.00				
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	6,104	439.00 - 439.00		
439.00				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	41,868	355.00 - 390.00		
362.64				

**Animals under the age of 30 months are classified young, while animals older than 30 months are considered part of the aged classification.

Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Jan 2010	Jan 2009	2010 YTD	2009
YTD				
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	61,729	111,554	61,729	111,554
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	0	0	0	0

Data Source: Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics

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