

## MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of December

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for December.	Head
W/E 12/04/10	1176	:	Slaughter Male	530
W/E 12/11/10	1237	:	Slaughter Female	352
W/E 12/18/20	949	:	Feeder Male	702
W/E 12/25/10	659	:	Feeder Female	632
		:	Total	2216
Total	4,021	:	Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to November's report: Prices for all bison carcasses worked higher as the market demand for bison meat forced processors to continue to pay up money for all bison, regardless of age or gender.

## Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis

CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	1,142	325.00 - 340.00	332.43
Young Heifers **	1,420	310.00 - 340.00	324.30
Aged Bulls **	89	240.00 - 260.00	242.19
Aged Cows **	575	229.00 - 270.00	238.03
Total	3,226		

Bison Meat: Compared to November's report: Prices for all bison meat cuts worked their way higher on continued demand. However, prices for bison, trim and grinds were unevenly steady as supply appeared to catch up with demand. Prices higher for lean cuts, as jerky makers begin buying again.

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

	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	41,231	850.00 - 1,304.00	1206.26
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	5,930	825.00 - 1,274.00	1022.68
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	88,489	465.00 - 585.00	479.68
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	30,497	530.00 - 580.00	563.15
Top Round Fresh	1,122	550.00 - 675.00	642.55
Top Round Frozen	7,320	520.00 - 675.00	632.02
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	5,503	485.00 - 630.00	514.89
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	8,400	540.00 - 625.00	553.36
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	929	579.00 - 695.00	639.19
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,082	560.00 - 600.00	566.25
Eye of Round Fresh	251	505.00 - 750.00	550.84
Eye of Round Frozen	364	570.00 - 630.00	592.39
Strip Loin Fresh	21,706	700.00 - 1,230.00	1,149.59
Strip Loin Frozen	2,417	675.00 - 1,325.00	985.38
Top Sirloin Fresh	15,129	620.00 - 963.00	733.01
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,657	615.00 - 938.00	775.47
Tenderloin Fresh	23,126	1,600.00 - 1,850.00	1,712.57
Tenderloin Frozen	5,348	1,550.00 - 1,850.00	1,671.21

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

	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	52,037	485.00 - 530.00	487.76
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	44,828	395.00 - 780.00	468.25
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh			
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	2,240	375.00 - 470.00	438.62

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	133,512	493.00 - 500.00	496.06
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	25,696	500.00 - 655.00	524.27
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	2,616	528.00 - 528.00	528.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	97,072	516.00 - 658.00	570.20
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,042	710.00 - 710.00	710.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	2,616	528.00 - 528.00	528.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	98,269	497.00 - 526.00	541.86

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	370,044	501.00 - 501.00	501.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,541	536.00 - 536.00	536.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	5,280	588.00 - 588.00	588.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	3,520	549.00 - 549.00	549.00

\*\*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.

	Oct. 2010	Oct. 2009	2010 YTD	2009 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	75,398	58,643	995,608	721,132
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	0	1,543	2,425	2,866

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