

MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of January

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for January.	
W/E	Bison		Head
1/03/09	794	:Slaughter Male	431
1/10/09	1132	:Slaughter Female	749
1/17/09	1128	:Feeder Male	310
1/24/09	1099	:Feeder Female	428
		:Total	1918
Total	4,153	:Source:	USDA, APHIS

Bison Carcasses: Compared to December's report: Prime bison bulls and heifers along with aged cows were selling for slightly lower while aged bulls brought slightly higher money as demand for grinds allowed the price to firm.

CLASS	Hd	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,723	220.00 - 245.00	238.40
Young Heifers **	1,399	210.00 - 240.00	224.73
Aged Bulls **	74	150.00 - 168.00	161.32
Aged Cows **	739	130.00 - 150.00	142.95
Total	3,935		

Bison Meat: Compared to December's report: Prices were higher for bison meat as demand increased, allowing distributors to replenish sales after the holiday seasons. Prices for trimmings, grinds and patties continued to firm as demand continues to strengthen.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	34,096	820.00 - 1,225.00	990.73
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,088	730.00 - 1,000.00	918.29
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	83,375	290.00 - 425.00	335.27
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	21,795	285.00 - 420.00	364.59
Top Round Fresh	5,984	320.00 - 453.00	411.20
Top Round Frozen	4,659	310.00 - 445.00	368.73
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	5,559	310.00 - 431.00	359.50
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,444	300.00 - 425.00	357.98
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	3,165	285.00 - 415.00	370.19
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	641	324.00 - 335.00	333.92
Eye of Round Fresh	675	285.00 - 503.00	384.38
Eye of Round Frozen	1,177	366.00 - 435.00	371.89
Strip Loin Fresh	24,489	720.00 - 1,050.00	943.85
Strip Loin Frozen	3,019	740.00 - 995.00	825.98
Top Sirloin Fresh	8,443	480.00 - 750.00	577.82
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,335	490.00 - 750.00	640.27
Tenderloin Fresh	14,385	1,500.00 - 2,050.00	1,656.43
Tenderloin Frozen	3,005	1,450.00 - 1,950.00	1,822.55

BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	72,086	270.00 - 340.00	271.82
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	134,836	270.00 - 345.00	288.37
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh			
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	51,336	260.00 - 310.00	277.42

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	100,767	300.00 -	335.00	326.98
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	990	335.00 -	350.00	345.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	49,663	300.00 -	470.00	356.46
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	5,014	365.00 -	375.00	373.83
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	4,467	345.00 -	355.00	350.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	91,532	285.00 -	354.00	343.52

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	** 397,728	300.00 -	375.00	355.86 **
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	** 3,068	365.00 -	399.00	379.00 **
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	**			**
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	13,926	315.00 -	340.00	317.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	4,128	350.00 -	355.00	354.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	52,641	325.00 -	420.00	364.67

**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.

	Nov 2008	Nov 2007	2008 YTD	2007 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	109,570	28,660	662,268	360,456
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	0	0	119,270	123,679

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