

*Prepared by Red Meat Section/Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada - October 22, 2025.*

\*Source: Statistics Canada (HS Code 02013010 - Bison cuts boneless, fresh or chilled and HS Code 02012010 - Bison cuts bone in, fresh or chilled)

<i>Months avg</i>	<b>Bulls (UTM)</b>	<b>Heifers (UTM)</b>	<b>Bulls (OTM)</b>	<b>Cows (OTM)</b>	Unclassified / Non classifié
Sep 2024	444.28	420.87			
Oct 2024	451.55	428.01			
Nov 2024	456.38	453.59		351.93	
Dec 2024	454.90	437.47	344.76	363.93	
Jan 2025	460.07	438.38		368.45	
Feb 2025	478.84	453.23		374.18	
Mar 2025	486.95	463.92			
Apr 2025	486.49	463.24	365.00		
May 2025	492.92	469.23	380.00	384.30	
June 2025	494.66	469.59			
July 2025	497.17	472.33	377.61	385.00	
Aug 2025	498.47	473.18			
Sep 2025	501.36	476.21			

*\*source USDA*

Weight at Avg	Bulls	Heifers	Mature Bulls*	Mature Cows*	For the U.S. Market	Bulls**	Heifers**
Jul 2024	525 - 550	500 - 525			July 2024	525 - 565	515 - 525
Aug 2024	525 - 550	500 - 525			Aug 2024	525 - 565	520 - 525
Sept 2024	545 - 575	515 - 550			Sept 2024	430 - 455	410 - 430
Oct 2024	550 - 580	530 - 560			Oct 2024	430 - 455	410 - 430
Nov 2024	570 - 600	540 - 570			Nov 2024	600 - 620	550 - 585
Dec 2024	570 - 600	550 - 600			Dec 2024	600 - 620	550 - 580
Jan 2025	580 - 610	560 - 610			Jan 2025	440 - 465	425 - 445
Feb 2025	600 - 640	570 - 620			Feb 2025	460 - 485	445 - 465
Mar 2025	610 - 650	575 - 620			Mar 2025	460 - 485	445 - 465
Apr 2025	635 - 695	600 - 650			Apr 2025	485 - 500	450 - 470
May 2025	635 - 690	610 - 660			May 2025	485 - 500	450 - 475
Jun 2025	635 - 690	610 - 660			Jun 2025	485 - 500	450 - 475
Jul 2025	645 - 700	620 - 665			Jul 2025	495 - 510	455 - 480
Aug 2025	645 - 700	620 - 665			Aug 2025	495 - 510	455 - 480
Sept 2025	645 - 700	630 - 685			Sept 2025	495 - 515	460 - 485

\* source CBA survey of marketers

\* over 30 months of age

\*\* Net to producer must be adjusted for transaction and shipping costs.

	June 2025		July 2025		August 2025		2 months prior	1 month prior
	Range	Wt. Avg	Range	Wt. Avg	Range	Wt. Avg		
Chuckroll, Fresh/Frozen	625 - 1,066	865.01	685 - 1,130	881.66	625 - 1,080	879.13	1.6%	-0.3%
Ribeye Lip-on, Fresh/Frozen	1,300 - 2,500	1,942.90	1,300 - 2,600	1,997.18	1,387 - 3,441	1,991.55	2.5%	-0.3%
Strip Loin, Fresh/Frozen	1,275 - 2,113	1,442.68	1,294 - 2,113	1,446.30	1,028 - 1,829	1,407.54	-2.4%	-2.7%
Tenderloin, Fresh/Frozen	1,925 - 3,730	2,680.69	2,200 - 3,763	2,776.85	2,200 - 3,807	2,756.22	2.8%	-0.7%
Bison Trimmings 90%, Fresh/Frozen	712 - 941	783.28	684 - 925	770.90	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Grnd 80% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen	650 - 1,119	860.91	650 - 1,109	851.45	650 - 1,133	836.94	-2.8%	-1.7%
Grnd 80% Patties, Fresh/Frozen	761 - 1,019	852.12	600 - 1,190	869.52	775 - 1,192	876.31	2.8%	0.8%
*source USDA								

	Mid-June 2025 Pricing	Mid-July 2025 Pricing	Mid-August 2025 Pricing	Mid-September 2025 Pricing
Tenderloin	\$84.00 - \$92.00	\$84.00 - \$92.00	\$84.00 - \$92.00	\$84.00 - \$92.00
Striploin	\$54.00 - \$58.00	\$54.00 - \$58.00	\$54.00 - \$58.00	\$54.00 - \$58.00
Ribeye	\$52.00 - \$58.00	\$52.00 - \$58.00	\$52.00 - \$58.00	\$52.00 - \$58.00
Top sirloin	\$31.00 - \$33.00	\$31.00 - \$33.00	\$31.00 - \$33.00	\$31.00 - \$33.00
Inside round	\$30.00 - \$34.00	\$30.00 - \$34.00	\$30.00 - \$34.00	\$30.00 - \$34.00
Trim 90%	\$23.00 - \$25.00	\$24.00 - \$26.00	\$24.00 - \$26.00	\$24.00 - \$26.00
Trim 60%	\$18.50 - \$21.50	\$18.50 - \$21.50	\$18.50 - \$21.50	\$18.50 - \$21.50
Ground - lean	\$25.00 - \$28.00	\$26.00 - \$29.00	\$26.00 - \$29.00	\$26.00 - \$29.00

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Jack Auction Group (SK) - April 2, 2025				2024 CANADIAN NATIONAL SHOW & SALE			
Video Bison Sale				Jack Auction Group (SK)			
Qty.	Age / Sex	Quality / Type	Price/Lbs.	WILDCARD BULL CHOICE			
25	2024 Bulls	Excellent	\$4.44	GRAND CHAMPION M	SHALE CREEK	\$10,500	
25	2024 Heifers	Excellent	\$3.87	RESERVE CHAMPION	SILVER CREEK	\$7,750	
45	2024 Mixed	Good	\$3.78	WILDCARD FEMALE CHOICE			
15	2024 Mixed	Good	\$4.70	GRAND CHAMPION F	PRAIRIELAND	\$6,500	
14	2024 Mixed	Good	\$3.90	RESERVE CHAMPION	XY BISON	\$3,750	
31	2023 Bulls	Excellent	\$3.92	2022 BULLS PLACING PRICE			
25	2023 Bulls	Good	\$3.58	SHALE CREEK	1 - GC	\$10,500	
13	2023 Heifers	Good	\$3.43	ROAMING K	2	\$9,000	
20	2023 Heifers	Good	\$3.32	BIG COUNTRY	3	\$6,500	
30	2023 Bulls	Medium	\$3.45	RJ GAME FARM	4	\$5,500	
50	2023 Heifers	Medium	\$3.26	BEAR PAW	5	\$6,000	
7	2023 Bulls	Good	\$3.80	SILVER CREEK		\$8,500	
9	2023 Heifers	Good	\$3.55	2023 BULLS PLACING PRICE			
5	2023 Bulls	Good	\$3.50	SILVER CREEK	1 - RC	\$7,750	
15	2022 HFRTS	Excellent	\$3.00	BISON RIDGE	2	\$6,000	
5	2021 Bulls	Good	\$2.70	XY BISON	3	\$5,500	
2	2019 Bulls	Good	\$2.50	BIG COUNTRY	4	\$5,000	
				DONALLY	5	\$5,250	
				SHALE CREEK		\$5,000	
				ROAMING K		\$6,000	
				RJ GAME FARM		\$4,000	
				ROCKY MEADOW		\$3,500	
				2022 BRED HEIF PLACING PRICE			
				PRAIRIELAND	1 - GC	\$6,500	
				ROAMING K	2	\$5,250	
				RJ GAME	3	\$6,000	
				BEAR PAW	4	\$6,250	
				PRAIRIELAND	5	\$5,500	
				ROAMING K		\$4,000	
				PEN of 2 - 2022 E PLACING PRICE			
				ROAMING K	1	\$4,500	
				BEAR PAW	2	\$6,500	
				RJ GAME	3	\$5,500	
				PRAIRIELAND	4	\$5,500	
				2023 OPEN HEIF PLACING PRICE			
				XY BISON	1 - RC	\$3,750	
				DONALLY	2	\$3,750	
				BIG COUNTRY	3	\$3,200	
				BIG COUNTRY	4	\$3,250	
				SHALE CREEK	5	\$3,400	
				RJ GAME		\$2,600	
				PEN of 2 - 2023 C PLACING PRICE			
				SHALE CREEK	1	\$4,000	
				BIG COUNTRY	2	\$3,300	
				BISON RIDGE	3	\$3,000	
				RJ GAME	4	\$3,000	
				BIG D BISON	5	\$2,900	
				GROSS			\$223,850

## Commentary

By Executive Director, CBA

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## Bison Marketplace – September 2025

From January 1st, 2025 to the end of September, 2025, 9,540 head of bison were slaughtered at federally inspected plants in Canada. This is 73% higher than the 5,618 animals slaughtered in 2024 over the approximate same time frame.

USDA Data (US federal slaughter, US imports) is not available due to the government shutdown in the US.

**September 2025 Prices:** Prices for prime finished bulls for the Canadian market have continued to be strong. Recent sales have shown highs of \$700/CWT HHW with heifers up to \$685/CWT. Canadian bison headed to the US reached highs of \$515 (USD) for bulls and \$485 (USD) for heifers. Note that to ship to the US market, shippers are responsible for currency risk, shipping costs, vet checks and admin costs.

Chart 1

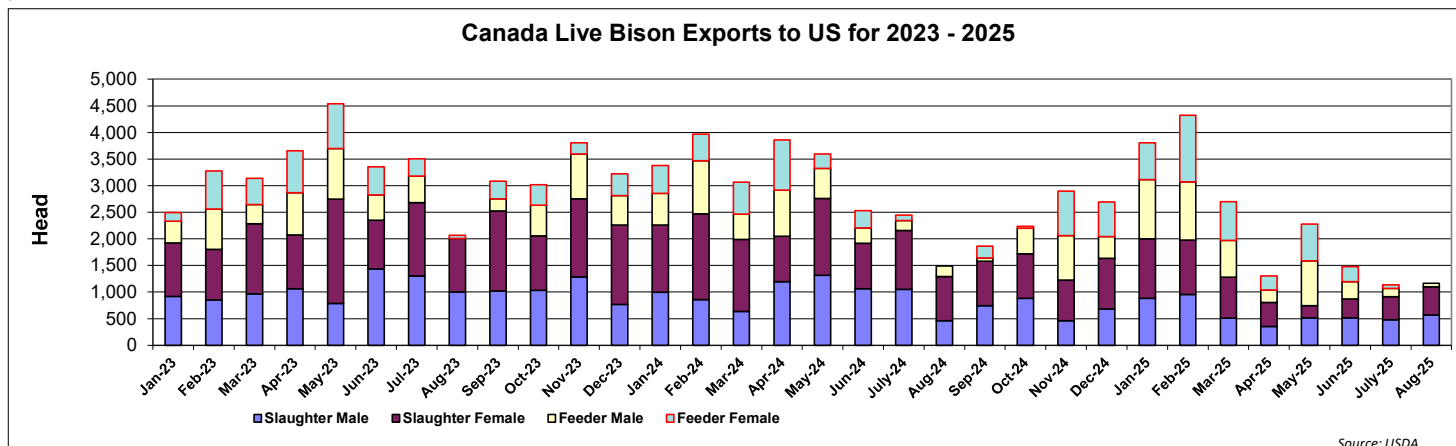
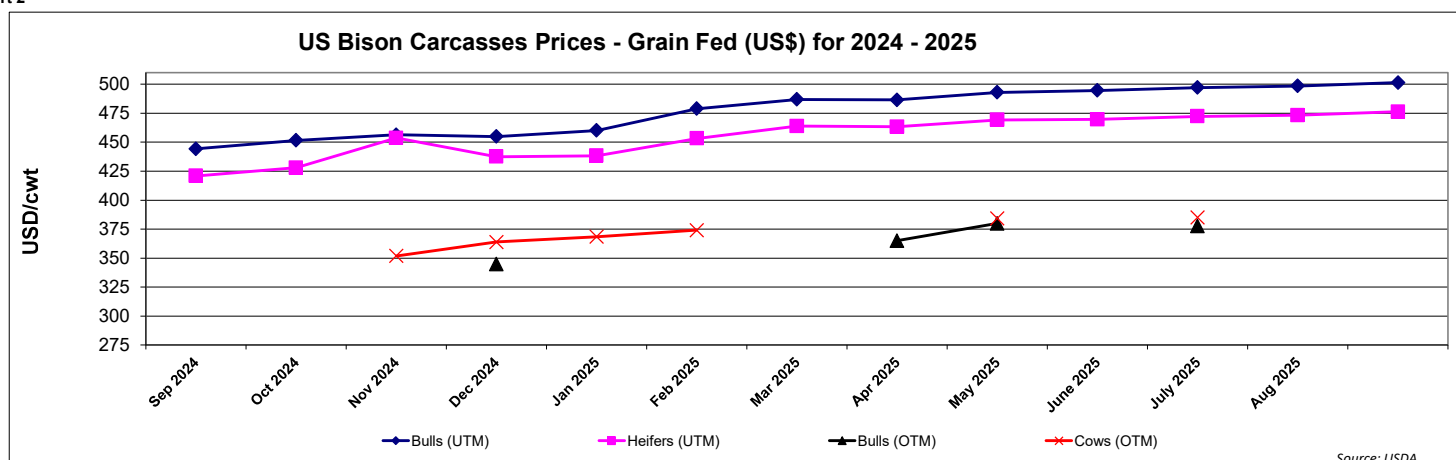


Chart 2



## The Canadian Bison Industry by the Numbers.....

On another note, the 2021 Canadian Census of Agriculture data was released on May 11, 2022. Nationally, the number of bison farms and ranches reporting bison was up 1.4% from 2016 levels. The number of bison on farms and ranches in 2021 was reported to have increased by over 25% within the past five years. According to the data, the average bison herd size increased to 151 head (from 122 head in 2016).

The number of farms and ranches held relatively steady since 2016 (up by 14 farms); some provinces reported increases (Ontario and Alberta both up by 6.1%) and some reported declines (Quebec down by 23.5% and British Columbia down 12.7%).

Excluding the Atlantic Region, the only province to report a decrease in the number of bison was Manitoba (-16.4%), while British Columbia reported the most significant increase (+128.9%); more than doubling the 2016 provincial herd size.

	FARMS REPORTING BISON					NUMBER OF BISON REPORTED				
	2021	2016	2011	2006	%Chg '21 vs '16	2021	2016	2011	2006	%Chg '21 vs '16
Nfld and Labrador	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	1	-	0	0	0	*	-
Nova Scotia	1	2	2	1	-50.0%	*	*	*	*	-
New Brunswick	0	1	2	3	-100.0%	0	*	*	*	-
Quebec	26	34	45	69	-23.5%	1,682	1,538	2,380	4,322	9.4%
Ontario	52	49	60	71	6.1%	2,974	1,843	2,320	4,106	61.4%
Manitoba	82	86	108	166	-4.7%	11,725	14,025	14,116	19,609	-16.4%
Saskatchewan	308	303	352	597	1.7%	52,860	40,418	39,343	57,395	30.8%
Alberta	472	445	571	869	6.1%	65,405	54,907	57,483	97,366	19.1%
British Columbia	48	55	71	121	-12.7%	14,888	6,504	9,206	12,656	128.9%
Canada Total	989	975	1,211	1,898	1.4%	149,539	119,314	125,142	195,728	25.3%

\* Note: In Atlantic Provinces, the number of farms reporting is too small to publically disclosure the number of bison