

Bison Marketplace for 2025

From January 1st, 2025 to the end of December, 2025, 12,904 head of bison were slaughtered at federally inspected plants in Canada. This is 56% higher than the 8,257 animals slaughtered in 2024 over the approximate same time frame.

In the United States from January to the end of December, 62,690 bison were slaughtered in US federally inspected plants. For the same time period in 2024, 76,233 bison were slaughtered in US federal plants. That's an 18% decrease year over year.

According to most current USDA data for January thru to the end of December 2025, Canada exported 4,996 feeder males (in 2024 the number was 5,960, a 16% decrease YOY), 4,914 feeder females (5,012, 2% decrease), 5,959 slaughter males (10,342, 42% decrease) and 6,143 slaughter females (12,714, 52% decrease)

In total, 22,198 animals were exported to the US in 2025, compared to 38,697 last year. This is a 43% decrease. Movement of live animals to the US continues to be slow.

Canadian Fresh Bison Cuts (\$CDN/kg)

Tenderloin	\$84-\$92
Striploin	\$54-\$58
Ribeye	\$50-\$55
Top Sirloin	\$31-\$33
Inside Round	\$31-\$34
Trim 90%	\$24-\$26
Trim 60%	\$18.50-\$21.50
Ground Lean	\$26-\$29

Weekly Price Summary for January 23rd, 2026

With the Canadian dollar fluctuations, and market uncertainty please confirm prices offered by buyers as prices may change.

Carcass prices per CWT HHW - CAD			
Finished Bulls	Finished Heifers	Mature Bulls*	Mature Cows*
\$645– \$700	\$630– \$685	\$550-\$600	\$550 - \$600
Carcass prices per CWT HHW destined for US Market - USD			
Bulls	Heifers	Mature Bulls	Mature Cows
\$495 - \$515	\$460– \$485		
Live Animal Prices - CAD per pound**			
Bulls	Heifers	Mixed	

*Mature Bulls and Cows Over 30 months of age.

Prices continue to be strong with tight supply. Prime bulls are selling for up to \$7.00/lb HHW for harvesting in Canada and up to \$7.15/lb HHW Canadian delivered to the US market (based on this week's approximate currency exchange). Heifers are about 15 to 25 cents lower. Adjustments must be made for export processing and transportation costs for animals being shipped to the U.S. The Canadian dollar has been fluctuating in recent weeks, so watch conversion rates.

In the U.S. market, prices for finished bulls have pushed \$515/cwt USD with heifers \$30/cwt USD lower.

The Canadian Bison Associations National Show and Sale was on November 25th. This link will take you to the results of that sale. [CANADIAN NATIONAL BISON SHOW & SALE | Jack Auction Group](#)

Producers should research the parameters on which the prices are based. Parameters such as Canadian or US delivery transportation costs, weight ranges, age, exchange rates etc. This will assist producers in comparing prices on an equivalent basis.

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