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USDA Market News

MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of March

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Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally :Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S.
Inspected Plants (not necessarily      for March:                               Head
inspected)      Bison                  :
W/E 3/3/18      957                   :Slaughter Male                               498
W/E 3/10/18     993                   :Slaughter Female                              514
W/E 3/17/18    1133                   :Feeder Male                                 411
W/E 3/24/18    1039                   :Feeder Female                              151
W/E 3/31/18    1087                   :Total                                      1574
Total           5,209                 :Source: USDA, APHIS
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Bison Carcasses: Compared to February Report: Bison carcass prices, regardless of age or sex, remained steady. Total number of head reported increased, especially Young Bulls in which the number of head reported this month increased by over 60% compared to last month. Canadian Imports into the U.S. increased by over 30%.

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Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt $/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis
CLASS -----Avg Carc Wt -----Hd -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
**Young Bulls -      698           2,488      475.00-      550.00      482.80
**Young Heifers -    564           1,190      420.00-      550.00      479.99
**Aged Bulls -       836            109      400.00-      425.00      409.63
**Aged Cows -        664            317      390.00-      450.00      397.03
Total                4,104
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Bison Meat: Compared to February report: Prices for whole muscle cuts and grinds were in a full range. However, total weight reported remained steady or increased for all cuts as a result of increased head reported. Processors saw an increase in demand due to the approaching summer grilling season.

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BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -      ($/Cwt)
-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh      58,732    1,200.00-    1,921.00    1,367.36
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen      1,819    1,450.00-    1,550.00    1,500.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh     91,575      620.00-      895.00      725.98
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen      2,393      825.00-      945.00      866.79
Top Round Fresh          26,403      775.00-      781.00      776.64
Top Round Frozen           6,482      800.00-      960.00      851.64
Peeled Knuckle Fresh     20,769      700.00-      850.00      774.62
Peeled Knuckle Frozen      3,185      820.00-      890.00      857.80
Flats, Outside Round Fresh 24,590      675.00-      825.00      773.69
Flats, Outside Round Frozen 3,249      825.00-      870.00      843.89
Eye of Round Fresh       14,213      675.00-      875.00      771.66
Eye of Round Frozen         902      825.00-      835.00      830.00
Strip Loin Fresh         37,805    1,150.00-    1,750.00    1,262.60
Strip Loin Frozen
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Top Sirloin Fresh	18,975	700.00-	950.00	742.39
Top Sirloin Frozen				
Tenderloin Fresh	19,516	1,700.00-	2,597.00	2,010.10
Tenderloin Frozen	13,466	1,500.00-	2,050.00	1,538.70

Hearts	8,943	170.00-	400.00	265.32
Livers	13,578	150.00-	318.00	240.81
Tongues	3,148	300.00-	549.00	352.67

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	45,294	600.00-	790.00	717.33
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	4,920	760.00-	785.00	775.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	41,491	650.00-	850.00	712.98

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	230,284	600.00-	800.00	753.61
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	136,549	700.00-	1,058.00	760.77
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	81,539	499.00-	979.00	765.37

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	620,688	625.00- 750.00	718.81
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	7,232	745.00- 895.00	801.91
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,560	825.00- 975.00	890.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	43,465	790.00- 840.00	790.66

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.87- 52.40	31.78
Filet Mignon		22.00- 70.40	48.70
New York Strip		14.46- 49.00	30.35
Flat Iron		10.95- 25.90	15.55
Flank Steak		11.94- 19.99	15.15
Skirt Steak		11.99- 23.00	15.03
Chuck Roast		9.50- 18.49	12.83
Eye of Round Roast		9.95- 15.93	12.14
Top Sirloin		14.00- 40.00	26.81
Sirloin Tip		10.66- 20.00	13.75
Brisket		8.75- 16.66	11.99
Ribs		6.99- 19.59	10.89
Prime Rib		17.78- 43.31	33.82
Tenderloin		27.50- 64.00	48.44
Stew Meat		8.57- 18.50	12.71
Jerky		38.99- 79.60	54.46
Hearts		4.00- 13.90	7.99
Livers		4.00- 20.38	9.82
Tongues		4.00- 10.99	7.24
Hot Dogs		11.90- 19.50	15.53
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.69- 18.21	12.71
Ground Bison (Patties)		8.72- 18.21	13.17

**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.

	Feb 2018	Feb 2017	2018 YTD	2017 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	69,005	181,661	137,128	236,997
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	2,205	39,242	225,753	147,930

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

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