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USDA Market News

MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of June Bison prices trended steady to mostly higher overall. Aged Bulls and Cow carcasses numbers were 30% lower than the month of May. Overall the Bison market is steady with a steady to firm undertone leading into the summer months.

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for June:	Head
W/E 6/02/18	849	Slaughter Male	964
W/E 6/09/18	1,182	Slaughter Female	302
W/E 6/16/18	1,231	Feeder Male	189
W/E 6/23/18	1,136	Feeder Female	161
W/E 6/30/18	1,229	Total	1,616
Total	5,627	Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses - GRAIN FED - (\$/Cwt) FOB Plant Basis

	Avg Carc Wt	Hd	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
*Young Bulls -	651	1,613	475.00- 550.00	489.69
*Young Heifers -	546	1,370	455.00- 550.00	471.90
*Aged Bulls -	733	90	410.00- 420.00	411.00
*Aged Cows -	526	296	390.00- 450.00	391.22
Total		3,369		

Bison Meat - GRAIN FED - Wholesale (\$/Cwt)

	lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-on Fresh	35,694	1,300.00- 1,856.00	1,460.71
Ribeye, Lip-on Frozen	3,872	1,350.00- 1,500.00	1,426.67
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	60,698	620.00- 871.00	715.34
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	2,256	820.00- 895.00	845.61
Top Round Fresh	2,243	753.00- 753.00	753.00
Top Round Frozen	2,535	825.00- 880.00	839.24
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	1,303	700.00- 850.00	775.00
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	2,265	800.00- 870.00	826.39
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,429	675.00- 826.00	803.43
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,619	825.00- 825.00	825.00
Eye of Round Fresh	2,674	675.00- 875.00	798.34
Eye of Round Frozen	6,232	782.00- 904.00	843.00
Strip Loin Fresh	18,782	1,150.00- 1,550.00	1,347.75
Strip Loin Frozen	5,995	850.00- 1,300.00	1,090.47
Top Sirloin Fresh	16,270	700.00- 985.00	802.20
Top Sirloin Frozen	348	920.00- 920.00	920.00
Tenderloin Fresh	16,941	1,700.00- 3,125.00	2,124.22
Tenderloin Frozen	3,598	1,700.00- 1,995.00	1,827.78
Hearts	2,420	292.00- 400.00	360.88
Livers	14,120	200.00- 299.00	254.72
Tongues	442	390.00- 530.00	486.84
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	41,162	600.00- 750.00	684.54

Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	12,406	680.00-	750.00	703.41
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	79,411	636.00-	825.00	732.14

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	48,948	600.00-	750.00	675.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen		0.00-	0.00	
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh		0.00-	0.00	
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	91,088	703.00-	1,023.00	760.67
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen		0.00-	0.00	
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	652	765.00-	780.00	772.50
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	80,756	697.00-	981.00	773.68

Ground Bison - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)

	lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	703,163	625.00- 750.00	690.17
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	37,296	700.00- 775.00	737.50
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	9,984	825.00- 975.00	900.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	50,596	650.00- 820.00	773.78

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT TO CONSUMER (\$/LB) FROZEN

	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks	19.49- 51.54	36.47
Filet Mignon	39.95- 67.00	52.85
New York Strip	17.99- 44.80	33.73
Flat Iron	14.99- 30.00	22.50
Flank Steak	15.49- 27.00	20.11
Skirt Steak	12.95- 23.00	17.98
Chuck Roast	11.99- 18.50	14.59
Eye of Round Roast	11.99- 12.99	12.49
Top Sirloin	19.99- 39.53	28.43
Sirloin Tip	10.66- 19.75	14.15
Brisket	11.20- 13.17	11.84
Ribs	8.49- 19.60	12.38
Prime Rib	30.63- 37.35	33.65
Tenderloin	39.95- 50.00	43.23
Stew Meat	11.49- 15.95	14.04
Jerky	34.49- 70.67	53.35
Hearts	8.46- 13.00	10.06
Livers	9.99- 20.38	14.06
Tongues	5.00- 10.89	8.00
Hot Dogs	13.49- 17.50	15.89
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	10.39- 18.21	13.81
Ground Bison (Patties)	11.39- 18.21	14.39

Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Jan-18	Jan-17	2018 YTD	2017 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	95,901	110,231	233,029	347,228
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	10,141	661	235,895	148,592

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

*Animals under the age of 30 months are classified as young, while animals

older than 30 months are considered part of the aged classification.

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of May

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for May:	Head
W/E 5/5/18	1079		:Slaughter Male	701
W/E 5/12/18	1047		:Slaughter Female	301
W/E 5/19/19	1130		:Feeder Male	97
W/E 5/26/19	1030		:Feeder Female	45
			:Total	1144
Total	4,286		:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to April Report: Bison carcass prices, regardless of age or sex, remained steady, with the exception of aged bulls which trended \$11.00 higher. Total number of head reported remained mostly steady except aged bulls, which reported 62 bulls lower than the previous month Canadian Imports into the U.S. decreased by 21%.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
**Young Bull	645	1,347	475.00- 550.00	489.88	
**Young Heif	542	1,228	455.00- 550.00	468.65	
**Aged Bulls	689	133	400.00- 420.00	409.47	
**Aged Cows	532	437	390.00- 450.00	401.40	
Total		3,145			

Bison Meat: Compared to April report: Prices for whole muscle cuts and grinds were in a full range. However, total weight reported remained mostly steady. Processors saw an increase in demand due to the approaching summer grilling season.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	36,596	1,356.00- 1,475.00	1,375.42	
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen				
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	55,305	674.00- 845.00	679.72	
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen				
Top Round Fresh				
Top Round Frozen				
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	1,407	726.00- 760.00	759.08	
Peeled Knuckle Frozen				
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	23,726	730.00- 826.00	735.96	

Flats, Outside Round Frozen				
Eye of Round Fresh				
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	18,464	1,133.00-	1,520.00	1,168.01
Strip Loin Frozen				
Top Sirloin Fresh	11,152	773.00-	920.00	780.12
Top Sirloin Frozen				
Tenderloin Fresh	11,905	1,850.00-	2,075.00	2,033.84
Tenderloin Frozen				
Hearts	2,896	327.00-	390.00	330.99
Livers	4,816	215.00-	355.00	341.68
Tongues				
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh				
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	34,317	636.00-	760.00	657.14
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen				
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	111,419	730.00-	760.00	747.11
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	55,476	722.00-	765.00	755.88

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg -- ---				
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	706,284	713.00-	723.00	713.88
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	39,888	789.00-	820.00	789.87

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Simple Avg -----				
Ribeye Steaks		19.49-	51.54	31.12
Filet Mignon		32.89-	67.00	46.36
New York Strip		14.46-	44.80	29.83
Flat Iron		10.95-	30.00	13.68
Flank Steak		11.94-	27.00	15.11
Skirt Steak		11.99-	23.00	16.53
Chuck Roast		9.75-	18.50	13.29
Eye of Round Roast		9.99-	12.99	12.20
Top Sirloin		15.78-	39.53	25.95
Sirloin Tip		10.66-	19.75	13.58
Brisket		9.03-	16.66	13.55
Ribs		7.00-	19.60	12.21
Prime Rib		17.78-	37.35	33.11
Tenderloin		27.00-	50.00	42.93
Stew Meat		8.57-	15.99	13.20
Jerky		34.49-	70.67	52.72
Hearts		4.00-	13.00	8.34
Livers		4.00-	20.38	9.61
Tongues		4.00-	10.90	7.67
Hot Dogs		11.91-	17.91	15.73

Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.69-	18.21	12.93
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.80-	18.20	13.61

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For the Month of April

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for April:	Head
W/E 4/7/18	1014	:Slaughter Male	783
W/E 4/14/18	1004	:Slaughter Female	478
W/E 4/21/18	935	:Feeder Male	140
W/E 4/28/18	1039	:Feeder Female	45
		:Total	1446
Total	3,992	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to March Report: Bison carcass prices, regardless of age or sex, remained steady, with the exception of aged bulls which trended \$10.00 lower. Total number of head reported decreased slightly due to April being a 4 week month, while March was a 5 week month. compared to last month. Canadian Imports into the U.S. decreased by 8%.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
**Young Bull	605	1,299	475.00-	550.00	492.86
**Young Heif	545	1,226	455.00-	550.00	471.57
**Aged Bulls	940	195	390.00-	705.00	398.08
**Aged Cows	591	94	410.00-	450.00	414.52
Total		2,814			

 Bison Meat: Compared to March report: Prices for whole muscle cuts and

grinds were in a full range. However, total weight reported remained steady to decreased for all cuts as a result of decreased head reported. Processors saw an increase in demand due to the approaching summer grilling season.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	27,948	1,336.00-	1,475.00	1,347.64
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	1,701	1,450.00-	1,450.00	1,450.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	40,522	678.00-	850.00	684.38
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	1,494	1,494.00-	1,494.00	850.00
Top Round Fresh	4,613	789.00-	789.00	789.00
Top Round Frozen	213	875.00-	875.00	875.00
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	1,545	771.00-	785.00	771.76
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	618	870.00-	870.00	870.00
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,303	690.00-	690.00	690.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,772	865.00-	865.00	865.00
Eye of Round Fresh	3,106	742.00-	819.00	773.51
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	11,769	1,305.00-	1,330.00	1,306.46
Strip Loin Frozen	398	1,275.00-	1,275.00	1,275.00
Top Sirloin Fresh	5,505	783.00-	868.00	796.12
Top Sirloin Frozen	347	920.00-	920.00	920.00
Tenderloin Fresh	9,816	1,805.00-	2,056.00	2,036.96
Tenderloin Frozen	2,563	1,825.00-	1,825.00	1,825.00
Hearts	2,210	319.00-	390.00	335.93
Livers	9,469	215.00-	296.00	269.69
Tongues	30	390.00-	390.00	390.00
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	42,423	602.00-	770.00	620.00
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	4,956	765.00-	765.00	765.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	21,945	680.00-	735.00	729.40
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	48,972	646.00-	646.00	646.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	66,401	735.00-	810.00	757.76
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	34,224	766.00-	830.00	776.00
GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	544,790	715.00-	725.00	715.81
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,784	917.00-	917.00	917.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	21,607	739.00-	760.00	752.00
BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
	Lbs	Price Range		Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.00-	52.40	31.12
Filet Mignon		20.99-	65.86	46.36
New York Strip		14.46-	49.00	29.83
Flat Iron		10.95-	17.50	13.68
Flank Steak		11.94-	19.99	15.11
Skirt Steak		11.99-	28.99	16.53
Chuck Roast		9.95-	18.49	13.29

Eye of Round Roast	9.95-	15.93	12.20
Top Sirloin	14.00-	42.00	25.95
Sirloin Tip	10.66-	20.00	13.58
Brisket	7.00-	23.95	13.55
Ribs	7.00-	19.59	12.21
Prime Rib	17.78-	43.31	33.11
Tenderloin	19.99-	64.00	42.93
Stew Meat	8.57-	18.50	13.20
Jerky	37.50-	71.93	52.72
Hearts	4.00-	13.90	8.34
Livers	4.00-	20.38	9.61
Tongues	4.00-	14.99	7.67
Hot Dogs	11.90-	19.50	15.73
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.69-	18.21	12.93
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.72-	18.21	13.61

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W/E 3/3/18	957	:	
W/E 3/10/18	993	:Slaughter Male	498
W/E 3/17/18	1133	:Slaughter Female	514
W/E 3/24/18	1039	:Feeder Male	411
W/E 3/31/18	1087	:Feeder Female	151
Total	5,209	:Total	1574
		:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 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%

 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		

 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.

 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			
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

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W/E 2/10/18	870	:Slaughter Female	464
W/E 2/17/18	926	:Feeder Male	276
W/E 2/24/18	958	:Feeder Female	166
		:Total	1176
Total	3,653	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to January Report: Prices for young bulls and heifers was steady this month, while prices for aged bulls and cows was lower.

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants was up over 10% and Canadian Live Bison Imports into the US was down over 25%.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
**Young Bulls -	689	1,554	475.00- 550.00	486.73	
**Young Heifers -	567	1,112	455.00- 550.00	471.49	
**Aged Bulls -	948	85	400.00- 450.00	417.41	
**Aged Cows -	586	289	390.00- 450.00	400.43	
Total		3,040			

Bison Meat: Compared to January report: Prices for Bison whole muscle cuts and grinds this month ranged steady to lower. Price ranges tended to be slightly tighter on most items. Total volume of product reported this month remained generally steady, however fewer items were reported.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	32,536	1,425.00- 1,890.00	1,470.18	
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	1,714	1,225.00- 1,600.00	1,503.39	
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	49,630	620.00- 860.00	699.46	
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	2,185	800.00- 895.00	848.14	
Top Round Fresh	1,625	725.00- 725.00	725.00	
Top Round Frozen	5,499	815.00- 890.00	837.07	
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	1,544	700.00- 850.00	773.00	
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	719	735.00- 932.00	842.44	
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,209	675.00- 863.00	713.19	
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,599	825.00- 870.00	845.87	
Eye of Round Fresh	3,461	675.00- 875.00	761.13	
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	18,518	1,150.00- 1,750.00	1,299.04	
Strip Loin Frozen	422	1,225.00- 1,300.00	1,270.00	
Top Sirloin Fresh	4,346	700.00- 950.00	841.28	
Top Sirloin Frozen				
Tenderloin Fresh	13,667	1,800.00- 2,790.00	2,151.36	
Tenderloin Frozen	4,784	1,600.00- 2,050.00	1,847.36	
Hearts	4,662	300.00- 410.00	342.66	
Livers	11,035	200.00- 325.00	252.38	
Tongues	466	400.00- 541.00	483.46	

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	9,304	600.00-	790.00	766.11
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	4,199	760.00-	790.00	771.42
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	74,751	650.00-	850.00	727.00

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	47,880	600.00-	750.00	643.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	126,441	700.00-	1,057.00	758.88
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	49,385	650.00-	890.00	766.96

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	584,571	625.00- 750.00	719.56
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	8,116	745.00- 895.00	794.43
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,600	825.00- 975.00	742.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	35,592	795.00- 840.00	795.95

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.00- 52.40	31.09
Filet Mignon		22.00- 67.00	47.80
New York Strip		14.46- 48.92	28.52
Flat Iron		10.95- 16.50	13.48
Flank Steak		11.94- 27.00	15.94
Skirt Steak		11.99- 23.00	15.03
Chuck Roast		9.50- 18.71	13.19
Eye of Round Roast		9.95- 15.93	12.21
Top Sirloin		14.00- 40.00	26.05
Sirloin Tip		10.66- 20.00	13.78
Brisket		8.75- 16.66	12.11
Ribs		6.99- 19.59	10.88
Prime Rib		17.78- 43.31	33.02
Tenderloin		27.50- 53.33	43.25
Stew Meat		8.57- 17.50	12.75
Jerky		37.50- 71.60	51.77
Hearts		5.00- 13.90	8.35
Livers		4.00- 20.38	9.69
Tongues		4.00- 10.99	7.20
Hot Dogs		11.90- 19.50	15.42
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.25- 18.21	12.59
Ground Bison (Patties)		8.72- 18.21	13.17

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Jan 2018	Jan 2017	2018 YTD	2017 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	68,123	55,336	68,123	55,336
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	223,549	108,688	223,549	108,688

Data Source: Departent of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statist

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of January

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally :Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S.
Inspected Plants (not necessarily for January: Head
inspected) Bison :
W/E 1/6/18 760 :Slaughter Male 396
W/E 1/13/18 825 :Slaughter Female 416
W/E 1/20/18 835 :Feeder Male 504
W/E 1/27/18 864 :Feeder Female 313
:Total 1629
Total 3,284 :Source: USDA, APHIS

Bison Carcasses: Compared to December Report: Bison carcass prices were steady for all ages and genders. Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants decreased by over 20%, which is evident as there was a sharp drop in the number of young animals reported this month.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis
CLASS -----Avg Carc Wt -----Hd -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
**Young Bulls - 658 1,655 475.00- 550.00 483.98
**Young Heifers - 577 1,051 455.00- 550.00 470.59
**Aged Bulls - 891 25 400.00- 450.00 434.80
**Aged Cows - 573 368 370.00- 450.00 416.01
Total 3,099

Bison Meat: Compared to December report: Total volume of product reported this month greatly decreased. However, all whole muscle meat items saw a significant increase in price with the exception of fresh and frozen Chuckrolls/Clods which saw a slight decrease in price.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)
-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh 27,033 1,450.00- 2,026.00 1,520.78
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen 1,200 1,400.00- 1,550.00 1,515.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh 59,634 620.00- 860.00 695.74
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen 4,696 825.00- 895.00 849.44
Top Round Fresh 4,920 785.00 785.00
Top Round Frozen 4,127 815.00- 890.00 854.51
Peeled Knuckle Fresh 1,432 700.00- 866.00 777.64
Peeled Knuckle Frozen 3,222 800.00- 880.00 858.70
Flats, Outside Round Fresh 1,257 826.00 826.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen 650 870.00 870.00
Eye of Round Fresh 1,036 675.00- 875.00 816.91

Eye of Round Frozen	894	835.00-	1,003.00	915.76
Strip Loin Fresh	17,759	1,150.00-	1,750.00	1,278.37
Strip Loin Frozen	627	1,250.00-	1,300.00	1,275.00
Top Sirloin Fresh	4,363	700.00-	967.00	843.31
Top Sirloin Frozen				
Tenderloin Fresh	16,389	1,800.00-	3,002.00	2,145.55
Tenderloin Frozen	3,581	1,500.00-	2,149.00	1,782.66
Hearts	5,581	300.00-	410.00	327.95
Livers	15,116	200.00-	325.00	289.20
Tongues	419	400.00-	530.00	497.17
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	16,443	600.00-	800.00	724.42
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	12,337	760.00-	790.00	770.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	5,994	695.00-	850.00	724.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	57,096	600.00-	750.00	652.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	102,353	700.00-	780.00	761.44
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	59,283	579.00-	1,037.00	772.56

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	594,732	625.00- 750.00	718.11
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	6,440	745.00- 854.00	784.41
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,232	825.00- 975.00	890.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	53,717	775.00- 825.00	790.34

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.00- 52.40	30.77
Filet Mignon		20.99- 67.00	47.25
New York Strip		14.46- 49.00	28.63
Flat Iron		10.95- 25.90	15.55
Flank Steak		11.94- 19.99	15.13
Skirt Steak		11.99- 28.99	16.42
Chuck Roast		9.50- 18.49	13.25
Eye of Round Roast		9.94- 15.93	12.21
Top Sirloin		14.00- 42.00	26.75
Sirloin Tip		9.14- 20.00	13.64
Brisket		8.75- 23.95	12.89
Ribs		6.99- 19.59	11.30
Prime Rib		17.78- 43.31	32.48
Tenderloin		19.99- 53.33	39.92
Stew Meat		7.79- 17.50	12.65
Jerky		38.99- 70.66	51.70
Hearts		5.00- 11.00	8.09
Livers		4.00- 20.38	9.33
Tongues		2.66- 14.99	7.13
Hot Dogs		11.90- 19.50	15.53
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.25- 18.21	12.64
Ground Bison (Patties)		8.72- 18.21	13.13

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

Dec 2017 Dec 2016 2017 YTD 2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs) 41,226 126,325 1,065,053 1,352,977
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs) 29,762 14,771 487,001 71,430

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS) For the Month of December

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected) :Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for December: Head
Bison :
W/E 12/2/17 919 :Slaughter Male 195
W/E 12/9/17 809 :Slaughter Female 273
W/E 12/16/17 873 :Feeder Male 637
W/E 12/23/17 943 :Feeder Female 467
W/E 12/30/17 668 :Total 1572
Total 4,212 :Source: USDA, APHIS

Bison Carcasses: Compared to November Report: Bison carcass prices remained steady, however fewer head were reported regardless of age or sex. Canadian Imports into the U.S. decreased by about 10% and Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants increased about 10%.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis
CLASS -----Avg Carc Wt -----Hd -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
**Young Bulls - 676 1,834 475.00- 550.00 481.16
**Young Heifers - 545 1,598 370.00- 550.00 471.95
**Aged Bulls - 903 19 400.00- 450.00 419.47
**Aged Cows - 575 258 390.00- 450.00 413.30
Total 3,709

Bison Meat: Compared to November report: Fresh whole muscle cuts trended slightly higher while frozen whole muscle cuts trended slightly lower. Trim and grinds were mixed. Case Ready grinds were steady. Total volume of product reported overall remained steady.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	57,507	1,200.00-	1,890.00	1,377.94
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	2,089	1,400.00-	1,550.00	1,510.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	89,808	620.00-	870.00	723.24
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	1,630	835.00-	895.00	853.50
Top Round Fresh	21,906	774.00-	775.00	774.88
Top Round Frozen	3,935	800.00-	900.00	833.24
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	20,414	700.00-	850.00	774.21
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	2,446	800.00-	870.00	822.17
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	19,743	775.00-	859.00	776.03
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,760	825.00-	870.00	842.00
Eye of Round Fresh	10,904	675.00-	821.00	769.06
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	32,135	1,057.00-	1,650.00	1,208.43
Strip Loin Frozen	596	1,250.00-	1,300.00	1,275.00
Top Sirloin Fresh	16,525	700.00-	926.00	736.04
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,154	875.00-	940.00	908.01
Tenderloin Fresh	25,406	1,600.00-	2,632.00	2,012.23
Tenderloin Frozen	15,164	1,500.00-	1,900.00	1,550.34
Hearts	6,257	170.00-	400.00	232.14
Livers	6,829	150.00-	305.00	213.04
Tongues	3,289	300.00-	598.00	351.62
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	53,562	600.00-	800.00	706.39
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	4,680	770.00-	800.00	780.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	6,718	675.00-	850.00	711.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	232,156	600.00-	800.00	754.31
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	1,584	675.00-	850.00	711.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	206,823	705.00-	1,036.00	744.44
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	508	775.00-	790.00	782.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	48,067	650.00-	907.00	769.73
GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	532,466	625.00-	750.00	718.16
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	7,580	745.00-	890.00	788.49
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,688	825.00-	975.00	890.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	204,700	559.00-	820.00	804.77
BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
	Lbs	Price Range		Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.00-	52.40	30.76
Filet Mignon		20.99-	67.00	47.33
New York Strip		14.46-	49.00	28.30
Flat Iron		10.94-	25.90	16.52
Flank Steak		11.94-	19.99	15.38
Skirt Steak		11.99-	28.95	18.04
Chuck Roast		9.50-	18.49	13.25
Eye of Round Roast		9.94-	15.93	12.08
Top Sirloin		14.00-	42.00	26.84
Sirloin Tip		10.66-	20.00	13.67

Brisket	8.75-	23.95	12.85
Ribs	6.99-	19.59	11.72
Prime Rib	17.78-	43.31	32.53
Tenderloin	19.99-	57.95	43.93
Stew Meat	7.79-	17.50	12.89
Jerky	37.50-	70.66	49.69
Hearts	8.78-	10.53	8.78
Livers	4.00-	20.38	10.53
Tongues	4.00-	14.99	7.97
Hot Dogs	11.90-	19.50	15.20
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.25-	18.21	12.74
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.72-	18.21	13.22

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Nov 2017	Nov 2016	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	136,466	114,861	1,023,827	1,226,652
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)		11,023	457,239	56,659

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of October

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for October:	Head
W/E 9/2/17	1150	:	
W/E 9/9/17	942	:Slaughter Male	588
W/E 9/16/17	1120	:Slaughter Female	362
W/E 9/23/17	957	:Feeder Male	86
		:Feeder Female	36
		:Total	1072
Total	4,169	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to October Report: Bison carcasses were generally steady with the exception of young heifers which were slightly lower. Canadian Imports decreased about 10% while Number Slaughtered in Federally Inspected Plants increased about 20%.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis
 CLASS -----Avg Carc Wt -----Hd -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
 **Young Bulls - 660 1,474 475.00- 550.00 487.27

**Young Heifers -	553	1,656	455.00-	550.00	466.26
**Aged Bulls -	1104	4	400.00-	410.00	402.50
**Aged Cows -	551	153	390.00-	450.00	438.24
Total		3,287			

 Bison Meat: Compared to October report: Grinds and trim prices slightly increased.

Whole muscle cuts were mixed overall with fresh cuts generally weaker and frozen cuts generally firmer. A higher volume of whole muscle cuts were reported as we enter the winter season where consumer demand shifts more toward roast items.

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	33,404	1,350.00- 1,870.00	1,459.12
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,327	1,575.00- 1,650.00	1,610.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	51,540	620.00- 900.00	692.11
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	5,540	795.00- 925.00	863.73
Top Round Fresh	3,274	782.00	782.00
Top Round Frozen	4,572	815.00- 944.00	840.68
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	1,847	700.00- 850.00	769.50
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	7,282	800.00- 900.00	865.88
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,713	675.00- 825.00	779.02
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,124	825.00- 900.00	841.81
Eye of Round Fresh	1,765	675.00- 820.00	780.97
Eye of Round Frozen	1,240	825.00- 835.00	830.00
Strip Loin Fresh	23,523	1,095.00- 1,650.00	1,180.40
Strip Loin Frozen	1,973	895.00- 1,325.00	1,278.76
Top Sirloin Fresh	6,160	700.00- 938.00	868.29
Top Sirloin Frozen	619	850.00- 950.00	910.00
Tenderloin Fresh	15,622	1,800.00- 3,125.00	2,075.98
Tenderloin Frozen	3,355	1,500.00- 1,900.00	1,786.20
Hearts	4,645	285.00- 400.00	330.37
Livers	11,798	200.00- 284.00	246.04
Tongues	1,365	370.00- 538.00	425.50
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	38,929	600.00- 825.00	687.47
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	7,320	770.00- 825.00	795.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	26,025	675.00- 850.00	720.00

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	59,640	600.00- 750.00	640.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	109,033	700.00- 1,034.00	773.48
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	844	790.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	49,332	650.00- 995.00	777.43

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	570,832	625.00- 750.00	716.38
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	8,741	755.00- 840.00	800.40
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,448	825.00- 975.00	890.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	34,380	599.00- 850.00	804.79

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT	(\$/POUND)	FROZEN	
-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Simple Avg	-----
Ribeye Steaks	18.49-	53.00	35.02
Filet Mignon	20.99-	65.86	46.88
New York Strip	14.46-	49.00	31.28
Flat Iron	10.94-	25.90	14.75
Flank Steak	11.94-	19.99	15.33
Skirt Steak	11.99-	28.99	17.52
Chuck Roast	9.48-	19.98	13.88
Eye of Round Roast	9.94-	15.93	12.08
Top Sirloin	13.99-	39.52	26.86
Sirloin Tip	10.66-	20.00	14.24
Brisket	8.75-	23.95	12.88
Ribs	6.99-	18.79	11.81
Prime Rib	17.78-	46.65	31.70
Tenderloin	27.50-	57.95	47.21
Stew Meat	7.59-	17.50	12.76
Jerky	31.96-	70.66	52.11
Hearts	5.00-	11.00	8.54
Livers	4.00-	19.98	11.03
Tongues	4.00-	14.99	8.29
Hot Dogs	11.70-	19.50	15.49
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.25-	18.21	12.87
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.72-	18.21	13.43

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Sept 2017	Sept 2016	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	58,422	137,348	774,043	989,655
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	140,875	1,102	300,490	45,636

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS) For the Month of September

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for September:	Head
W/E 9/2/17	951	:Slaughter Male	595
W/E 9/9/17	893	:Slaughter Female	159

W/E 9/16/17	818	:Feeder Male	
W/E 9/23/17	1015	:Feeder Female	
		:Total	754
Total	3,677	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to August Report: Prices were steady for males and slightly higher for females with a fewer number of head being reported this month overall. Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants were steady while Canadian Live Imports into the U.S. decreased by almost 40 percent.

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

CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg
**Young Bulls -	695	2,140	475.00- 550.00	483.69
**Young Heifers -	568	660	455.00- 550.00	490.24
**Aged Bulls -	1081	19	400.00- 450.00	410.53
**Aged Cows -	559	73	390.00- 450.00	444.32
Total		2,892		

Bison Meat: Compared to August report: Prices of all whole muscle cuts and grinds were generally steady to instances higher. Fresh and frozen tenderloins in particular saw an increase in price this month. However, a lower volume of meat for both whole muscle cuts and grinds was reported overall.

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	34,441	1,350.00- 1,870.00	1,490.38
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	2,338	1,500.00- 1,650.00	1,580.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	52,902	620.00- 825.00	709.88
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	2,459	835.00- 935.00	870.00
Top Round Fresh	3,068	783.00	783.00
Top Round Frozen	6,157	804.00- 930.00	864.00
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	1,706	700.00- 850.00	770.00
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	3,963	800.00- 880.00	857.04
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	900	826.00	826.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,314	825.00- 910.00	835.08
Eye of Round Fresh	3,062	675.00- 823.00	755.31
Eye of Round Frozen	1,212	825.00- 835.00	828.00
Strip Loin Fresh	19,477	1,095.00- 1,600.00	1,271.26
Strip Loin Frozen	792	1,275.00- 1,350.00	1,340.00
Top Sirloin Fresh	5,218	700.00- 957.00	860.14
Top Sirloin Frozen	524	875.00- 890.00	886.02
Tenderloin Fresh	18,306	1,600.00- 2,620.00	2,039.98
Tenderloin Frozen	4,600	1,500.00- 1,825.00	1,741.63
Hearts	3,734	296.00- 365.00	317.28
Livers	11,896	160.00- 295.00	242.88
Tongues	453	330.00- 515.00	478.74
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	63,350	600.00- 755.00	679.17
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	4,620	730.00- 750.00	740.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	13,907	625.00- 850.00	705.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	68,868	600.00- 750.00	663.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			

Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	118,769	619.00-	1,027.00	762.57
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	712	775.00-	790.00	787.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	75,462	650.00-	896.00	771.77

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	627,650	625.00-	750.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	7,970	755.00-	851.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,888	825.00-	975.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	16,551	794.00-	850.00

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.87-	51.16
Filet Mignon		22.00-	63.82
New York Strip		14.46-	49.00
Flat Iron		10.94-	24.96
Flank Steak		11.94-	19.99
Skirt Steak		11.99-	28.99
Chuck Roast		9.50-	19.98
Eye of Round Roast		9.94-	17.95
Top Sirloin		14.00-	39.52
Sirloin Tip		10.66-	20.00
Brisket		8.75-	23.95
Ribs		6.99-	18.79
Prime Rib		17.78-	39.98
Tenderloin		27.50-	55.00
Stew Meat		8.77-	16.75
Jerky		32.00-	81.60
Hearts		4.93-	11.00
Livers		4.00-	19.98
Tongues		4.00-	14.99
Hot Dogs		11.90-	17.50
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.25-	18.21
Ground Bison (Patties)		8.72-	18.21

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Aug 2017	Aug 2016	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	65,918	143,080	715,621	852,307
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	220	661	159,615	44,533

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of July

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Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally :Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S.
Inspected Plants (not necessarily      for July:                               Head
inspected)      Bison                  :
W/E 7/1/17      1209                   :Slaughter Male                               927
W/E 7/8/17      816                    :Slaughter Female                             583
W/E 7/15/17     1172                   :Feeder Male                                 71
W/E7/22/17      1157                   :Feeder Female
                                           :Total                                       1581
Total           4,354                   :Source: USDA, APHIS
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Bison Carcasses: Compared to June Report: Bulls, regardless of age, slightly increased in price while heifer and cow prices decreased. Canadian Live Bison Imports into the U.S. increased this month and Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants decreased slightly.

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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 -      671           1,955      475.00-      550.00      487.42
**Young Heifers -    533           947       455.00-      550.00      464.74
**Aged Bulls -      1181           81        390.00-      450.00      414.44
**Aged Cows -       387           147       390.00-      450.00      391.84
Total                3,130
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Bison Meat: Compared to June report: Generally Bison meat prices trended lower for the month of July with the exception of Tenderloins, both fresh and frozen, which trended slightly higher. Grinds and patties also slightly decreased in price as the summer grilling season begins to come to a close.

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BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -      ($/Cwt)
-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh      36,709      1,390.00-      1,779.00      1518.52
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen      6,444      1,550.00-      1,620.00      1600.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh      62,848      620.00-      870.00      710.01
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen      4,778      825.00-      935.00      857.38
Top Round Fresh           3,893      786.00-      900.00      786.50
Top Round Frozen           5,948      815.00-      930.00      853.85
Peeled Knuckle Fresh       1,448      700.00-      874.00      768.92
Peeled Knuckle Frozen       1,592      735.00-      880.00      821.81
Flats, Outside Round Fresh  5,415      675.00-      825.00      749.79
Flats, Outside Round Frozen  2,799      825.00-      910.00      830.83
Eye of Round Fresh         2,901      675.00-      815.00      761.62
Eye of Round Frozen         942      825.00-      825.00      825.00
Strip Loin Fresh           23,119      920.00-      1,650.00      1,224.76
Strip Loin Frozen           2,858      895.00-      1,400.00      1,256.64
Top Sirloin Fresh          14,982      700.00-      982.00      795.09
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Top Sirloin Frozen	287	875.00-	1,291.00	1,037.21
Tenderloin Fresh	18,865	1,635.00-	2,620.00	2,045.01
Tenderloin Frozen	7,480	1,147.00-	2,000.00	1,754.38

Hearts	5,400	295.00-	360.00	313.70
Livers	17,763	165.00-	306.00	269.46
Tongues	1,326	330.00-	538.00	433.12

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	84,346	600.00-	755.00	706.16
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	13,981	665.00-	750.00	707.81
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	21,403	749.00-	749.00	749.00

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	58,872	600.00-	750.00	648.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	121,199	700.00-	816.00	772.38
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	534	790.00-	790.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	96,558	650.00-	1,256.00	772.30

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	557,992	625.00- 750.00	714.29
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	7,956	750.00- 904.00	797.26
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,960	825.00- 975.00	890.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	46,964	795.00- 840.00	796.61

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.87- 53.00	31.28
Filet Mignon		22.00- 67.00	46.62
New York Strip		14.46- 49.00	30.53
Flat Iron		10.94- 45.00	18.56
Flank Steak		11.94- 27.00	15.58
Skirt Steak		11.99- 28.99	17.92
Chuck Roast		9.50- 19.98	13.56
Eye of Round Roast		9.94- 17.95	12.66
Top Sirloin		14.00- 39.52	27.10
Sirloin Tip		10.99- 20.00	14.50
Brisket		8.75- 23.95	12.49
Ribs		6.99- 17.99	10.68
Prime Rib		17.78- 39.98	30.61
Tenderloin		27.50- 55.00	42.88
Stew Meat		8.57- 16.75	12.78
Jerky		37.50- 81.60	52.14

Hearts	5.00-	15.00	9.37
Livers	4.00-	19.98	10.76
Tongues	4.00-	14.99	8.91

Hot Dogs	11.90-	17.50	15.16
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.25-	16.50	12.41
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.72-	16.95	13.26

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	June 2017	June 2016	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	62,832	82,894	555,785	574,966
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	10,141	10,141	159,394	42,329

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of June

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for June:		Head
Bison	:			
W/E 6/3/17	965	:Slaughter Male		1027
W/E 6/10/17	1133	:Slaughter Female		381
W/E 6/17/17	1206	:Feeder Male		
W/E 6/24/17	1116	:Feeder Female		90
		:Total		1498
Total	4,420	:Source: USDA, APHIS		

Bison Carcasses: Compared to May Report: Actual slaughter numbers in federal ly inspected plants and total number of reported carcasses this month were higher. However, weighted average prices for all carcasses remained steady. Canadian imports decreased by about 25% with less feeder bison being imported.

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

CLASS	Avg Carc Wt	Hd	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
**Young Bulls -	654	2,431	475.00- 550.00	483.34
**Young Heifers -	539	1,580	455.00- 550.00	472.84
**Aged Bulls -	1111	76	390.00- 450.00	410.26
**Aged Cows -	498	196	390.00- 450.00	401.69
Total		4,283		

Bison Meat: Compared to May report: A larger volume of product continued to be reported on individual cuts and grinds. Fresh and frozen tenderloins, organ meats, and trimmings weighted average prices trended lower with the remainder of cuts continuing mostly steady.

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	52,641	1,390.00- 1,780.00	1486.09
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	6,344	1,600.00- 1,650.00	1610.05

Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	109,775	620.00-	860.00	734.03
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	8,019	835.00-	935.00	860.62
Top Round Fresh	22,026	769.00-	920.00	774.52
Top Round Frozen	6,027	785.00-	920.00	853.97
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	20,795	700.00-	850.00	774.31
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,279	735.00-	890.00	842.96
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	20,365	775.00-	830.00	775.80
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	7,391	785.00-	910.00	829.54
Eye of Round Fresh	9,510	675.00-	812.00	772.31
Eye of Round Frozen	1,878	825.00-	920.00	829.54
Strip Loin Fresh	31,331	928.00-	1,650.00	1,373.21
Strip Loin Frozen	3,954	895.00-	1,400.00	1,185.33
Top Sirloin Fresh	26,885	700.00-	958.00	802.83
Top Sirloin Frozen	584	890.00-	1,291.00	957.03
Tenderloin Fresh	19,653	1,700.00-	2,620.00	2,014.32
Tenderloin Frozen	23,525	1,500.00-	2,095.00	1,635.01

Hearts	8,605	170.00-	365.00	247.90
Livers	12,791	150.00-	295.00	205.93
Tongues	3,363	300.00-	530.00	334.47

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	64,733	600.00-	750.00	663.99
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	8,749	730.00-	750.00	740.42
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	9,555	725.00-	850.00	792.00

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	230,236	600.00-	800.00	778.04
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	40,195	746.00-	780.00	751.11
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	311,931	700.00-	1,027.00	782.21
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	106,434	650.00-	1,256.00	777.47

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	----
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	633,243	625.00-	750.00	714.35
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	5,150	755.00-	904.00	779.33
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,968	825.00-	975.00	924.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	38,584	785.00-	855.00	786.98

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Simple Avg	-----
Ribeye Steaks		16.89-	53.30	32.47
Filet Mignon		20.99-	63.90	44.09
New York Strip		14.46-	49.00	30.46
Flat Iron		10.94-	45.00	20.14
Flank Steak		11.00-	17.49	14.14
Skirt Steak		11.00-	28.99	16.60
Chuck Roast		9.50-	19.98	13.91
Eye of Round Roast		9.94-	15.93	12.08
Top Sirloin		14.00-	39.52	25.75
Sirloin Tip		10.66-	20.00	14.11
Brisket		8.75-	23.95	12.58
Ribs		6.99-	17.99	10.91
Prime Rib		17.78-	39.98	30.29
Tenderloin		24.50-	55.00	44.38
Stew Meat		8.57-	16.75	12.33

Jerky	37.50-	81.60	53.10
Hearts	4.93-	15.00	8.48
Livers	3.00-	19.98	10.26
Tongues	4.00-	14.99	8.50
Hot Dogs	11.90-	17.50	15.28
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.25-	18.21	12.80
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.72-	18.21	13.58

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	May 2017	May 2016	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	56,438	79,587	492,954	492,072
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	440	7,937	149,253	32,187

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

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For the Month of May

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	: Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for May:	Head
W/E 5/6/17	1172	: Slaughter Male	464
W/E 5/13/17	1205	: Slaughter Female	648
W/E 5/20/17	893	: Feeder Male	574
W/E 5/27/17	1016	: Feeder Female	289
Total	4,286	: Total	1975
		: Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to April Report: All carcasses, regardless of age or sex, remained steady for the month of May. Canadian Live Bison Imports into the US increased by over 30%, while the number of bison slaughtered in federally inspected plants were generally steady to slightly higher.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt) FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
**Young Bulls -	864	2,036	475.00-	550.00	482.64
**Young Heifers -	524	970	455.00-	550.00	477.37

**Aged Bulls -	0	52	410.00-	450.00	410.77
**Aged Cows -	535	233	390.00-	450.00	399.21
Total		3,291			

Bison Meat: Compared to April report: Weighted averages for bison cuts and grinds were steady. However, there was generally a larger volume of product reported on individual cuts and grinds when compared to last month. The summer grilling season has producers seeing an increase in demand for bison meat.

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	37,828	1,390.00- 1,877.00	1549.96
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,453	1,550.00- 1,625.00	1609.44
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	62,269	620.00- 870.00	706.68
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	9,293	835.00- 960.00	858.87
Top Round Fresh	3,438	770.00- 770.00	770.00
Top Round Frozen	6,419	745.00- 950.00	830.75
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	1,992	700.00- 850.00	770.36
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	5,722	820.00- 900.00	866.83
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,722	675.00- 825.00	775.64
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,671	825.00- 845.00	843.53
Eye of Round Fresh	2,043	675.00- 806.00	760.29
Eye of Round Frozen	2,690	825.00- 900.00	837.20
Strip Loin Fresh	20,871	920.00- 1,650.00	1,346.17
Strip Loin Frozen	1,930	1,095.00- 1,300.00	1,264.86
Top Sirloin Fresh	10,969	700.00- 956.00	833.77
Top Sirloin Frozen	998	850.00- 950.00	920.00
Tenderloin Fresh	15,606	1,300.00- 2,620.00	2,100.51
Tenderloin Frozen	3,890	1,300.00- 2,010.00	1,822.42
Hearts	4,867	257.00- 365.00	296.24
Livers	14,470	165.00- 295.00	229.93
Tongues	555	330.00- 538.00	476.10
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	32,693	600.00- 770.00	695.01
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	7,828	750.00- 770.00	760.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	46,531	700.00- 850.00	814.35
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	70,164	600.00- 750.00	627.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	143,109	719.00- 1,048.00	772.69
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	837	790.00- 790.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	101,303	399.00- 921.00	778.15

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	629,442	625.00- 750.00	716.28
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	9,960	755.00- 851.00	806.26
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	5,776	825.00- 975.00	907.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	10,997	739.00- 850.00	752.96

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.00- 53.30	32.41

Filet Mignon	20.50-	63.90	43.48
New York Strip	14.46-	49.00	29.69
Flat Iron	10.95-	45.00	21.23
Flank Steak	11.00-	19.99	14.91
Skirt Steak	11.00-	28.99	17.06
Chuck Roast	9.50-	19.98	13.90
Eye of Round Roast	9.95-	15.93	12.97
Top Sirloin	14.25-	39.52	27.79
Sirloin Tip	10.66-	16.49	12.66
Brisket	8.75-	23.95	12.76
Ribs	6.99-	17.99	10.93
Prime Rib	17.78-	39.98	29.81
Tenderloin	24.50-	49.99	39.86
Stew Meat	8.57-	16.45	12.60
Jerky	31.96-	81.60	52.08
Hearts	5.00-	15.00	9.03
Livers	3.00-	19.98	9.43
Tongues	4.00-	14.99	8.54
Hot Dogs	11.90-	17.50	15.28
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.25-	18.21	12.86
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.72-	18.21	13.01

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Apr 2017	Apr 2016	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	89,287	101,854	436,515	403,005
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	220	11,244	148,812	23,369

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of April

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for April:	Head
W/E 4/1/17	1062	:	
W/E 4/8/17	1077	:Slaughter Male	675
W/E 4/15/17	909	:Slaughter Female	301
W/E 4/22/17	995	:Feeder Male	391
		:Feeder Female	104
		:Total	1471

Total 4,043 :Source: USDA, APHIS

Bison Carcasses: Compared to March Report: Young animals regardless of sex trended steady to higher while aged bulls and cows trended slightly lower. Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants decreased slightly and Canadian Imports into the US decreased by over 10%.

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

CLASS	Avg Carc Wt	Hd	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
**Young Bulls -	622	1,732	475.00- 550.00	488.74
**Young Heifers -	529	1,128	455.00- 550.00	473.03
**Aged Bulls -	1089	142	389.00- 450.00	411.61
**Aged Cows -	611	202	413.00- 450.00	397.55
Total		3,204		

Bison Meat: Compared to March report: Grillable cuts trended steady to sharply higher with ribeyes strongest. Case Ready patties trended generally higher as consumer focus shifts towards the fast approaching summer grilling season while case ready ground product remained steady. The remaining cuts were mostly steady.

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	26,670	1,390.00- 1,877.00	1547.83
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	1,667	1,500.00- 1,550.00	1530.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	45,202	620.00- 890.00	714.00
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	8,770	800.00- 935.00	860.80
Top Round Fresh	1,465	740.00- 900.00	741.53
Top Round Frozen	11,442	823.00- 910.00	833.26
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	2,726	760.00- 925.00	763.75
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	2,650	735.00- 880.00	843.18
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	5,308	675.00- 824.00	814.50
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	782	785.00- 885.00	885.00
Eye of Round Fresh	988	675.00- 824.00	786.80
Eye of Round Frozen	475	825.00- 910.00	866.01
Strip Loin Fresh	13,374	1,095.00- 1,650.00	1,408.94
Strip Loin Frozen	1,748	1,150.00- 1,390.00	1,190.48
Top Sirloin Fresh	6,855	700.00- 950.00	842.73
Top Sirloin Frozen	594	900.00- 1,294.00	1,050.04
Tenderloin Fresh	8,982	1,430.00- 2,658.00	2,121.71
Tenderloin Frozen	3,152	1,430.00- 2,000.00	1,783.83
Hearts	2,116	252.00- 360.00	326.13
Livers	10,846	165.00- 252.00	225.67
Tongues	577	330.00- 530.00	487.42
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	11,743	600.00- 800.00	663.00
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	8,486	790.00- 895.00	821.58
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	20,346	612.00- 800.00	742.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	51,780	600.00- 750.00	627.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	157,788	700.00- 1,021.00	773.33

Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	802	790.00-	790.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	80,948	650.00-	919.00	782.27

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	538,924	625.00- 750.00	713.48
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	8,124	755.00- 1,055.00	805.55
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,520	825.00- 975.00	930.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	42,312	788.00- 850.00	789.61

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.87- 53.30	32.40
Filet Mignon		20.50- 63.90	44.51
New York Strip		14.46- 39.62	29.04
Flat Iron		10.94- 24.96	16.39
Flank Steak		11.00- 19.99	14.91
Skirt Steak		11.00- 28.99	16.26
Chuck Roast		9.50- 19.40	13.67
Eye of Round Roast		9.94- 15.93	12.08
Top Sirloin		11.99- 39.22	24.19
Sirloin Tip		10.66- 20.00	14.01
Brisket		8.75- 18.99	12.02
Ribs		6.99- 17.99	10.77
Prime Rib		19.50- 46.65	32.68
Tenderloin		24.50- 55.00	42.37
Stew Meat		8.57- 16.25	12.46
Jerky		31.96- 81.60	51.52
Hearts		5.00- 15.00	90.30
Livers		3.00- 19.98	10.13
Tongues		4.00- 14.99	8.10
Hot Dogs		11.90- 17.50	15.14
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.69- 18.21	12.74
Ground Bison (Patties)		8.72- 18.21	13.22

**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.

	Mar 2017	Mar 2016	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	110,231	123,679	347,228	301,151
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	661	441	148,592	12,125

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of March

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	: Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for March:	Head
W/E 3/4/17	971	: Slaughter Male	728
W/E 3/11/17	1049	: Slaughter Female	266
W/E 3/18/17	1008	: Feeder Male	373
W/E 3/25/17	1066	: Feeder Female	325
		: Total	1692
Total	4,094	: Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to February Report: Weighted averages for whole carcasses remained generally steady except for aged cows which trended lower. Canadian Imports into the US declined in the month of March while Bison slaughtered in federal ly inspected plants remained steady.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
**Young Bulls -	614	1,897	475.00- 550.00	488.07	
**Young Heifers -	530	1,317	455.00- 550.00	468.30	
**Aged Bulls -	1074	87	390.00- 450.00	413.91	
**Aged Cows -	455	492	390.00- 450.00	399.43	
Total		3,793			

Bison Meat: Compared to February report: Frozen whole muscle cuts trended higher while fresh whole muscle cuts remained generally steady. With grilling season quickly approaching, more wholesale and case ready ground bison product was reported with mixed, but mostly lower prices.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	38,378	1,300.00- 1,975.00	1493.51	
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	2,085	1,400.00- 1,779.00	1434.60	
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	69,078	620.00- 847.00	706.95	
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	8,601	790.00- 935.00	828.61	
Top Round Fresh	1,867	760.00- 760.00	760.00	
Top Round Frozen	4,382	759.00- 995.00	853.98	
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	2,098	700.00- 850.00	750.43	
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	1,694	780.00- 845.00	806.72	
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,171	675.00- 862.00	757.71	
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,127	768.00- 845.00	817.98	
Eye of Round Fresh	2,368	625.00- 967.00	799.16	
Eye of Round Frozen	1,304	845.00- 845.00	845.00	
Strip Loin Fresh	19,660	1,000.00- 1,650.00	1,414.34	
Strip Loin Frozen	2,336	1,000.00- 1,275.00	1,115.65	
Top Sirloin Fresh	6,874	700.00- 972.00	841.55	

Top Sirloin Frozen	818	870.00-	1,468.00	1,044.99
Tenderloin Fresh	13,760	1,760.00-	2,600.00	2,114.48
Tenderloin Frozen	4,498	1,430.00-	2,100.00	1,817.74

Hearts	5,960	260.00-	365.00	308.87
Livers	12,720	165.00-	295.00	218.54
Tongues	905	320.00-	525.00	413.21

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	16,796	600.00-	800.00	785.86
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	12,180	760.00-	886.00	785.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen				

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	71,736	600.00-	750.00	627.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	144,124	697.00-	1,021.00	771.53
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	80,884	650.00-	1,250.00	784.41

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	692,343	625.00- 750.00	710.50
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,452	755.00- 895.00	806.79
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	37,604	742.00- 860.00	743.38

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.00- 50.26	30.56
Filet Mignon		22.00- 63.90	45.47
New York Strip		14.34- 42.53	30.32
Flat Iron		10.94- 24.96	15.17
Flank Steak		11.00- 19.99	14.91
Skirt Steak		11.00- 19.95	15.36
Chuck Roast		9.50- 19.98	13.94
Eye of Round Roast		9.94- 15.93	12.24
Top Sirloin		11.99- 39.52	26.73
Sirloin Tip		10.66- 20.00	13.99
Brisket		6.99- 17.99	11.91
Ribs		7.95- 19.25	11.27
Prime Rib		17.78- 39.98	30.14
Tenderloin		24.50- 55.00	44.18
Stew Meat		8.57- 16.75	12.69
Jerky		38.99- 81.60	53.05

Hearts	5.00-	15.00	9.03
Livers	3.00-	19.98	9.80
Tongues	4.00-	14.99	8.51

Hot Dogs	11.90-	17.50	15.27
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.25-	16.50	12.30
Ground Bison (Patties)	9.25-	16.25	12.87

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Feb 2017	Feb 2016	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	181,661	75,398	236,977	177,472
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	39,242	11,684	147,930	11,684

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

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 For the Month of February

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for February:	
Bison			Head
W/E 2/4/17	1011	:Slaughter Male	579
W/E 2/11/17	899	:Slaughter Female	432
W/E 2/18/17	1108	:Feeder Male	893
W/E 2/25/17	1082	:Feeder Female	278
		:Total	2182
Total	4,100	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to January Report: Actual Slaughter Numbers slightly increased while Canadian Live Bison Imports into the U.S. increased by over 250%.
 Weighted averages for female bison, regardless of age, increased slightly, while weighted averages for male bison remained mostly steady.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	Avg Carc Wt	Hd	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	
**Young Bulls -	600	1,104	470.00-	550.00	489.58
**Young Heifers -	538	1,408	445.00-	550.00	466.48
**Aged Bulls -	740	88	390.00-	450.00	419.09
**Aged Cows -	542	738	390.00-	450.00	444.59
Total		3,338			

Bison Meat: Compared to January report: Fresh whole muscle cut weighted average prices remained mostly steady while frozen whole muscle cut weighted averages trended steady to firm. Both fresh and frozen whole muscle price ranges narrowed.
 Bulk grinds were steady to firm and patties were mostly steady.

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	28,755	1,250.00- 1,779.00	1470.88
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	2,499	1,350.00- 1,575.00	1390.92
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	54,250	620.00- 860.00	703.41
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	7,446	795.00- 935.00	846.41
Top Round Fresh	4,100	771.00- 771.00	771.00
Top Round Frozen	5,366	789.00- 920.00	858.83
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	982	700.00- 850.00	746.00
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	5,730	700.00- 855.00	765.98
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,393	675.00- 861.00	769.13
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,627	750.00- 845.00	832.80
Eye of Round Fresh	1,466	650.00- 817.00	795.16
Eye of Round Frozen	1,215	800.00- 820.00	818.24
Strip Loin Fresh	19,631	1,000.00- 1,521.00	1,374.59
Strip Loin Frozen	1,516	1,000.00- 1,150.00	1,040.00
Top Sirloin Fresh	6,106	700.00- 949.00	867.57
Top Sirloin Frozen	571	870.00- 900.00	885.00
Tenderloin Fresh	15,469	1,725.00- 2,600.00	2,152.58
Tenderloin Frozen	1,266	1,430.00- 2,100.00	1,728.55
Hearts	1,196	225.00- 400.00	319.33
Livers	3,153	165.00- 231.00	200.63
Tongues	372	320.00- 534.00	391.97
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	49,397	675.00- 849.00	734.69
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	26,970	750.00- 850.00	813.93
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen			
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	56,916	680.00- 750.00	739.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	110,358	697.00- 1,048.00	787.47
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	643	790.00- 790.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	56,369	600.00- 1,250.00	782.04
GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)			
	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	570,649	625.00- 750.00	658.21
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,052	625.00- 855.00	830.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	47,019	739.00- 850.00	747.28
BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN			
	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		21.56- 57.20	38.33
Filet Mignon		31.16- 89.88	53.27
New York Strip		21.49- 49.00	34.51
Flat Iron		15.99- 24.96	20.48
Flank Steak		14.95- 27.00	19.61
Skirt Steak		12.95- 23.00	16.30
Chuck Roast		10.24- 18.49	13.92
Eye of Round Roast		11.95- 15.93	13.96
Top Sirloin		32.00- 35.04	33.52
Sirloin Tip		10.66- 16.49	12.86
Brisket		10.99- 16.49	12.75
Ribs		9.94- 17.98	12.23

Prime Rib	26.95-	39.98	34.11
Tenderloin	38.95-	55.00	46.09
Stew Meat	12.49-	16.75	14.34
Jerky	38.99-	81.60	48.30
Hearts	4.93-	15.00	9.57
Livers	5.97-	15.30	13.12
Tongues	7.49-	16.89	10.07
Hot Dogs	13.95-	17.50	15.95
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	10.49-	16.50	13.49
Ground Bison (Patties)	11.16-	16.95	14.06

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	55,336	102,074	55,336	102,074
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	108,688		108,688	

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

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 For the Month of January

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for January:	Head
W/E 1/7/17	840	:	
W/E 1/14/17	1104	:Slaughter Male	422
W/E 1/21/17	962	:Slaughter Female	381
W/E 1/28/17	951	:Feeder Male	11
		:Feeder Female	4
		:Total	818
Total	3,857	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to December Report: Weighted averages for young and aged bison, regardless of sex, remained mostly steady, except for young heifers which were slightly lower. Number of Bison slaughtered remained steady to start the year, while Canadian Live Bison Imports decreased slightly.

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

CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
**Young Bulls -	607	1,218	460.00- 550.00	485.96	
**Young Heifers -	527	1,738	440.00- 550.00	452.06	
**Aged Bulls -	1185	79	385.00- 450.00	410.89	
**Aged Cows -	502	470	390.00- 450.00	405.38	
Total		3,505			

Bison Meat: Compared to December report: Fresh whole muscle prices were steady to higher, while frozen whole muscle products trended steady to lower. Bison trim and ground product pricing remained mostly steady. Case ready ground Bison prices were steady to slightly higher.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -	(\$/Cwt)			
-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---	
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	28,583 1,250.00- 1,795.00	1477.49		
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	5,519 1,300.00- 1,555.00	1338.56		
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	64,661 620.00- 875.00	696.29		
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	4,614 790.00- 1025.00	859.72		
Top Round Fresh	3,821 759.00- 759.00	759.00		
Top Round Frozen	7,900 785.00- 920.00	844.14		
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	2,416 700.00- 913.00	761.96		
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,390 690.00- 845.00	727.40		
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	718 675.00- 872.00	772.27		
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,479 740.00- 820.00	797.82		
Eye of Round Fresh	1,457 625.00- 842.00	788.99		
Eye of Round Frozen	1,538 790.00- 845.00	832.85		
Strip Loin Fresh	18,948 950.00- 1,685.00	1,346.27		
Strip Loin Frozen	1,605 950.00- 1,399.00	1,040.24		
Top Sirloin Fresh	5,103 700.00- 985.00	847.42		
Top Sirloin Frozen				
Tenderloin Fresh	13,260 1,495.00- 2,650.00	2,136.62		
Tenderloin Frozen	9,542 1,600.00- 2,050.00	1,631.34		
Hearts	1,196 251.00- 360.00	329.90		
Livers	3,153 170.00- 250.00	196.16		
Tongues	372 320.00- 525.00	378.27		
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	9,345 675.00- 800.00	774.32		
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	18,071 750.00- 850.00	776.16		
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	465 660.00- 850.00	782.00		
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	60,588 575.00- 680.00	627.00		
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	107,631 600.00- 1,021.00	764.76		
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	58,580 575.00- 1,250.00	779.27		

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready	(\$/Cwt)			
-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	--	---
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	573,851 625.00- 750.00	658.21		
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	2,510 810.00- 850.00	825.00		
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,880 750.00- 900.00	840.00		
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	25,032 740.00- 850.00	744.10		

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT	(\$/POUND)	FROZEN	
	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks	21.50-	41.58	32.92
Filet Mignon	31.61-	62.01	48.27
New York Strip	21.49-	41.90	33.66
Flat Iron	15.99-	24.96	20.48
Flank Steak	14.95-	18.99	17.14
Skirt Steak	12.95-	18.45	14.78
Chuck Roast	11.45-	14.98	12.59
Eye of Round Roast	11.95-	15.93	13.96
Top Sirloin	19.96-	39.52	30.60
Sirloin Tip	10.99-	16.49	12.88
Brisket	10.99-	16.49	12.47
Ribs	9.97-	13.30	11.00
Prime Rib	26.95-	46.65	34.28
Tenderloin	38.95-	55.00	46.25
Stew Meat	9.99-	16.75	13.59
Jerky	32.85-	49.33	42.15
Hearts	8.45-	11.00	10.05
Livers	5.97-	19.98	13.36
Tongues	7.47-	10.99	9.47
Hot Dogs	13.44-	17.50	15.95
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	10.49-	16.50	13.20
Ground Bison (Patties)	10.79-	18.21	13.84

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Dec 2016	Dec 2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	126,325	129,632	1,355,394	906,981
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	14,771	33,510	71,350	80,907

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

Source: USDA Market News Service, Des Moines, IA
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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 12/3/16	993	:Slaughter Male	290

W/E 12/10/16	978	:Slaughter Female	309
W/E 12/17/16	991	:Feeder Male	264
W/E 12/24/16	901	:Feeder Female	12
		:Total	875
Total	3,863	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to November Report: Actual number of Bison Slaughtered in the US remained steady, while the number of Canadian Live Bison Imports decreased by about 30%. Weighted averages for young bison bulls and heifers higher, while older bulls and cows were lower.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	Avg Carc Wt	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
**Young Bulls -	587	1,952	460.00-	550.00	482.14
**Young Heifers -	539	695	440.00-	550.00	475.42
**Aged Bulls -	1027	71	390.00-	450.00	413.10
**Aged Cows -	514	710	390.00-	450.00	405.75
Total		3,428			

Bison Meat: Compared to November report: Fresh and frozen tenderloins and frozen top rounds and eye of rounds increased in weighted average price, while all other cuts were steady to lower. Hearts, tongues, and livers were all firm with increased weighted average prices. Case ready prices were mostly steady.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	36,641	1,250.00-	2,113.00	1436.57
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,679	1,300.00-	1,575.00	1336.92
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	76,315	620.00-	920.00	684.78
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	8,610	790.00-	960.00	819.36
Top Round Fresh	2,184	707.00-	707.00	707.00
Top Round Frozen	5,745	785.00-	1660.00	869.00
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	2,008	700.00-	850.00	729.00
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	3,992	690.00-	820.00	736.01
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,041	675.00-	775.00	740.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,258	820.00-	845.00	837.00
Eye of Round Fresh	2,740	625.00-	776.00	745.75
Eye of Round Frozen	1,245	820.00-	1042.00	915.00
Strip Loin Fresh	25,075	950.00-	1,647.00	1,315.06
Strip Loin Frozen	1,487	950.00-	1,100.00	1,025.00
Top Sirloin Fresh	8,087	700.00-	914.00	799.00
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,699	740.00-	925.00	847.73
Tenderloin Fresh	20,943	1,500.00-	2,595.00	2,091.46
Tenderloin Frozen	5,268	1,650.00-	2,025.00	1,743.07
Hearts	1,196	214.00-	360.00	299.61
Livers	3,153	170.00-	225.00	188.45
Tongues	372	320.00-	499.00	417.63
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	9,824	600.00-	790.00	768.62
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	12,586	755.00-	850.00	771.50
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen				
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	60,588	575.00-	790.00	627.00

Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	127,172	697.00-	1,020.00	760.03
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	294	790.00-	790.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	71,660	575.00-	1,250.00	771.25

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	612,017	625.00-	750.00	658.21
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	7,354	755.00-	840.00	782.13
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,568	725.00-	850.00	841.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	31,239	732.00-	850.00	734.29

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg	
Ribeye Steaks		22.49-	41.58	31.82
Filet Mignon		31.16-	62.01	49.51
New York Strip		21.49-	39.20	30.91
Flat Iron		13.34-	24.96	16.95
Flank Steak		14.95-	18.99	16.73
Skirt Steak		12.95-	18.45	15.72
Chuck Roast		11.45-	16.49	13.48
Eye of Round Roast		7.18-	13.99	10.02
Top Sirloin		19.96-	35.04	26.65
Sirloin Tip		10.99-	16.49	13.28
Brisket		11.20-	14.99	12.30
Ribs		9.94-	13.31	11.48
Prime Rib		26.95-	46.65	35.31
Tenderloin		38.95-	55.00	47.54
Stew Meat		9.75-	16.75	13.50
Jerky		32.85-	43.80	39.18
Hearts		7.95-	11.00	9.70
Livers		10.71-	19.98	14.13
Tongues		7.47-	16.95	12.45
Hot Dogs		13.44-	17.50	15.95
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		10.49-	14.95	12.83
Ground Bison (Patties)		11.99-	15.95	13.68

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Nov 2016	Nov 2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	114,861	87,303	1,229,069	777,349
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	11,023	7,275	56,579	47,397

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of October

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally: Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S.
Inspected Plants (not necessarily for October: Head
inspected) Bison :
W/E 10/01/16 988 :Slaughter Male 437
W/E 10/8/16 1080 :Slaughter Female 343
W/E 10/15/16 1120 :Feeder Male 128
W/E 10/22/16 805 :Feeder Female
, :Total 908
Total 3,993 :Source: USDA, APHIS

Bison Carcasses: Compared to September Report: Price ranges for both aged and
prime bulls remained steady, while the bottom of the market for females was
stronger, regardless of age. However, weighted averages for both male and
female bison trended higher.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED- (Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt) FOB Plant Basis
CLASS -----Avg Carc Wt -----Hd-----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
**Young Bulls - 639 2,146 450.00- 550.00 473.32
**Young Heifers - 556 830 440.00- 550.00 484.46
**Aged Bulls - 861 178 390.00- 450.00 436.29
**Aged Cows - 456 253 390.00- 450.00 393.95
Total 3,407

Bison Meat: Compared to September report: Weighted average prices for whole
muscle cuts remained mostly steady. Prices for bulk, patties, and case ready
grinds were mixed, but for the most part prices trended higher. Ground bison
demand has decreased due to a seasonal increase in demand for roasts.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)
-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh 34,532 970.00- 1,780.00 1455.42
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen 3,003 1,230.00- 1,400.00 1319.28
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh 74,323 620.00- 835.00 680.75
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen 11,166 810.00- 980.00 840.51
Top Round Fresh 1,433 712.00- 900.00 719.62
Top Round Frozen 5,905 726.00- 920.00 851.26
Peeled Knuckle Fresh 1,525 700.00- 850.00 729.72
Peeled Knuckle Frozen 3,439 810.00- 880.00 837.52
Flats, Outside Round Fresh 605 675.00- 775.00 755.00
Flats, Outside Round Froze 3,188 845.00- 880.00 845.61
Eye of Round Fresh 1,595 625.00- 786.00 760.08
Eye of Round Frozen 1,472 845.00- 880.00 845.67
Strip Loin Fresh 23,948 850.00- 1,466.00 1,319.12
Strip Loin Frozen 2,195 900.00- 1,389.00 1,085.95
Top Sirloin Fresh 9,168 700.00- 950.00 821.79
Top Sirloin Frozen 974 900.00- 1,100.00 905.00
Tenderloin Fresh 8,648 1,500.00- 2,595.00 2,078.23

Tenderloin Frozen	6,478	1,500.00-	2,051.00	1,844.51
Hearts	1,196	124.00-	245.00	212.45
Livers	3,153	155.00-	195.00	176.98
Tongues	372	435.00-	496.00	459.00
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	6,624	600.00-	790.00	770.17
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	6,667	745.00-	780.00	770.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen				

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	73,230	600.00-	1,020.00	738.85
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	49,878	575.00-	950.00	737.38

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	101,012	625.00-	750.00	658.21
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	10,494	754.00-	820.00	777.35
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	14,044	724.00-	830.00	734.97

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg	
Ribeye Steaks		22.49-	31.98	27.00
Filet Mignon		36.95-	66.00	46.65
New York Strip		24.49-	32.48	26.96
Flat Iron		15.49-	17.58	16.53
Flank Steak		9.98-	17.49	14.14
Skirt Steak		9.99-	12.95	11.47
Chuck Roast		11.45-	14.95	12.65
Eye of Round Roast		9.95-	13.99	12.47
Top Sirloin		10.99-	14.25	12.21
Sirloin Tip		13.22-	13.99	13.72
Brisket		9.30-	12.65	11.34
Ribs		9.31-	12.49	10.72
Prime Rib		25.95-	31.75	29.16
Tenderloin		34.95-	55.00	42.52
Stew Meat		12.49-	16.75	14.25
Jerky		39.80-	43.86	41.66

Hearts	10.99-	11.00	11.00
Livers	6.95-	11.49	9.48
Tongues	7.48-	10.99	9.24

Hot Dogs	13.95-	17.50	15.95
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.75-	14.41	11.29
Ground Bison (Patties)	9.50-	14.50	12.43

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Sept 2016	Sept 2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lb	137,340	76,059	992,072	616,412
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs	1,102	11,464	45,556	27,556

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS) For the Month of September

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally :Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S.
Inspected Plants (not necessarily for September: Head
inspected) Bison :
W/E 9/03/16 991 :Slaughter Male 497
W/E 9/10/16 817 :Slaughter Female 515
W/E 9/17/16 965 :Feeder Male
W/E 9/24/16 879 :Feeder Female
:Total 1012
Total 3,652 :Source: USDA, APHIS

Bison Carcasses: Compared to August Report: Prices continued to rise for
or
all ages and all genders of bison as demand continues for bison meat. The
high prices paid for both bulls and heifers were pushing the all time high for
r
bison carcasses.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis
CLASS -----Avg Carc Wt -----Hd -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
**Young Bull 624 1,983 450.00- 550.00 465.07
**Young Heif 515 1,279 430.00- 550.00 466.27
**Aged Bulls 1165 55 390.00- 450.00 400.36
**Aged Cows 496 172 380.00- 450.00 389.53
Total 3,489

Bison Meat: Compared to August report: Ground bison continues to
pave the way for bison meat. By pushing more ground bison through grocery stores
bison distributors have grown their customer base by being able to continually
fuel a new market.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)
-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh 34,350 1,250.00- 1,350.00 1452.27
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen 4,772 1,250.00- 1,350.00 1325.12
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh 69,535 682.00- 875.00 689.74

Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	11,658	810.00-	835.00	827.99
Top Round Fresh	2,799	706.00-	706.00	706.00
Top Round Frozen	6,567	709.00-	920.00	847.91
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	1,723	700.00-	850.00	724.00
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	10,957	710.00-	720.00	720.38
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,202	675.00-	750.00	715.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,023	835.00-	845.00	843.00
Eye of Round Fresh	2,638	625.00-	781.00	757.17
Eye of Round Frozen	614	845.00-	845.00	845.00
Strip Loin Fresh	21,371	1,000.00-	1,549.00	1,331.17
Strip Loin Frozen	2,170	950.00-	1,425.00	1,143.13
Top Sirloin Fresh	9,744	700.00-	980.00	823.61
Top Sirloin Frozen	4,692	825.00-	850.00	830.00
Tenderloin Fresh	16,366	1,900.00-	31.63	2,043.77
Tenderloin Frozen	6,432	1,675.00-	2,000.00	1,817.16

Hearts	6,546	243.00-	280.00	265.23
Livers	16,050	130.00-	245.00	171.80
Tongues	2,358	345.00-	464.00	373.23

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	17,853	652.00-	765.00	728.19
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	23,478	760.00-	830.00	807.28
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	496	759.00-	795.00	782.00

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	65,076	575.00-	680.00	626.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	143,902	699.00-	806.00	733.46
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	478	790.00-	790.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	90,029	714.00-	800.00	749.87

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	637,797	668.00- 680.00	679.05
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,800	730.00- 770.00	745.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	648	725.00- 850.00	840.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	52,296	737.00- 765.00	738.06

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		22.95- 36.95	28.23
Filet Mignon		35.00- 57.80	44.12
New York Strip		21.00- 32.00	25.70
Flat Iron		12.49- 21.95	17.14
Flank Steak		9.00- 15.79	14.19
Skirt Steak		12.95- 17.00	14.98
Chuck Roast		11.00- 12.33	11.36
Eye of Round Roast		11.50- 13.99	12.66
Top Sirloin		10.33- 16.46	12.14
Sirloin Tip		9.00- 17.00	14.10
Brisket		9.31- 12.85	11.83
Ribs		9.32- 15.00	11.70
Prime Rib		17.14- 25.95	21.36
Tenderloin		35.00- 48.28	41.01
Stew Meat		12.00- 14.33	13.28
Jerky		21.39- 43.80	35.00

Hearts	10.99-	11.00	11.00
Livers	6.50-	11.49	9.49
Tongues	7.48-	10.99	9.24
Hot Dogs	11.00-	17.50	14.37
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	9.99-	13.95	11.21
Ground Bison (Patties)	9.50-	14.95	12.65

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Aug 2016	Aug 2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	143,080	85,319	854,732	540353
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	661	1,764	44,654	16,092

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of July

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for July:	Head
W/E 7/02/16	1096	:	
W/E 7/09/16	961	:Slaughter Male	812
W/E 7/16/16	1121	:Slaughter Female	541
W/E 7/23/16	1058	:Feeder Male	220
`		:Feeder Female	101
		:Total	1674
Total	4,236	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to June report: Prices for bison carcasses , regardless of age or gender, moved higher as seasonal demand for bison meat increased.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
**Young Bull	651	2,068	445.00- 500.00	456.73	
**Young Heif	608	1,125	432.00- 500.00	443.64	
**Aged Bulls	1217	39	383.00- 400.00	396.95	
**Aged Cows	559	160	380.00- 400.00	383.75	
Total		3,392			

 Bison Meat: Compared to June report: Demand for ground bison
 continues to push prices higher for trim and patties. Case ready use of grou
 nd
 bison continues to show increasing demand from consumers.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -		(\$/Cwt)		
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	36,049	1,245.00-	1,484.00	1433.05
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	8,621	1,461.00-	1,675.00	1619.77
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	85,390	677.00-	810.00	686.12
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	21,884	799.00-	800.00	799.78
Top Round Fresh	1,992	705.00-	870.00	707.24
Top Round Frozen	5,415	828.00-	835.00	830.46
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	2,909	721.00-	800.00	747.42
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	8,982	810.00-	815.00	814.85
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	3,448	675.00-	750.00	715.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,978	835.00-	855.00	837.32
Eye of Round Fresh	5,256	715.00-	763.00	731.51
Eye of Round Frozen	1,223	835.00-	835.00	835.00
Strip Loin Fresh	25,449	1,020.00-	1,361.00	1,312.47
Strip Loin Frozen	2,793	925.00-	1,100.00	1,000.00
Top Sirloin Fresh	17,660	860.00-	913.00	825.24
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,046	855.00-	875.00	855.59
Tenderloin Fresh	17,198	1,908.00-	2,530.00	2,075.26
Tenderloin Frozen	7,162	1,675.00-	2,180.00	1,729.01
Hearts	4,291	214.00-	285.00	254.59
Livers	15,355	169.00-	197.00	182.38
Tongues	1,224	335.00-	416.00	359.22
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	11,840	684.00-	735.00	709.84
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	10,193	700.00-	735.00	730.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	1,100	635.00-	775.00	720.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	63,360	575.00-	680.00	626.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	127,788	715.00-	840.00	749.97
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	122,131	698.00-	790.00	736.68

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready		(\$/Cwt)		
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	613,160	686.00-	696.00	686.66
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	5,944	720.00-	735.00	725.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,256	725.00-	850.00	840.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	37,333	725.00-	765.00	726.21

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT		(\$/POUND)		FROZEN
	Lbs	Price Range		Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		25.95-	32.77	30.19
Filet Mignon		35.95-	48.22	43.01
New York Strip		25.95-	32.00	27.62
Flat Iron		12.47-	21.95	17.21

Flank Steak	9.59-	15.95	13.76
Skirt Steak	11.91-	13.16	12.57
Chuck Roast	10.00-	12.66	11.66
Eye of Round Roast	11.95-	13.99	12.75
Top Sirloin	10.70-	13.99	11.80
Sirloin Tip			
Brisket	9.31-	13.49	11.64
Ribs			
Prime Rib	25.95-	34.27	31.00
Tenderloin	35.95-	48.22	41.76
Stew Meat	12.49-	14.33	13.63
Jerky	41.39-	55.60	46.73
Hearts	5.50-	10.99	7.96
Livers	6.95-	11.49	9.48
Tongues	6.58-	10.88	8.33
Hot Dogs	13.99-	17.50	15.75
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.85-	12.95	11.19
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.85-	13.95	11.97

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	June 2016	June 2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	82,894	112,656	577,391	399,257
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	17,637	2,646	42,549	16,092

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of June

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for June:	Head
W/E 6/04/16	851	:	
W/E 6/11/16	1201	:Slaughter Male	875
W/E 6/18/16	1006	:Slaughter Female	387
W/E 6/25/16	1113	:Feeder Male	157
`		:Feeder Female	162
		:Total	919
Total	4,595	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to May report: Prices paid for bison carcasses regardless of age or gender were similar compared to May. Additionally the price spread narrowed for all bison carcasses, again demonstrating the demand for ground bison products.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis
 CLASS -----Avg Carc Wt -----Hd -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
 **Young Bull 651 2,141 445.00- 450.00 446.39
 **Young Heif 608 1,586 425.00- 450.00 431.28
 **Aged Bulls 1217 92 380.00- 400.00 384.95
 **Aged Cows 559 364 370.00- 400.00 372.72
 Total 4,183

Bison Meat: Compared to May report: Prices for end meats fell slightly while prices remained firm for middle meats, reflecting a seasonal adjustment. Prices on ground bison products continued to edge upward, indicating a growing demand for bison as a summer grill option.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)
 -----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
 Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh 39,328 1,235.00- 1,453.00 1395.17
 Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen 5,350 1,130.00- 1,425.00 1131.32
 Chuckroll/Clod Fresh 77,117 658.00- 803.00 674.39
 Chuckroll/Clod Frozen 19,300 765.00- 807.00 793.51
 Top Round Fresh 1,762 711.00- 870.00 714.79
 Top Round Frozen 5,858 825.00- 827.00 826.35
 Peeled Knuckle Fresh 3,425 720.00- 850.00 744.74
 Peeled Knuckle Frozen 9,276 793.00- 805.00 803.71
 Flats, Outside Round Fresh 3,203 675.00- 750.00 710.00
 Flats, Outside Round Frozen 1,749 825.00- 835.00 833.62
 Eye of Round Fresh 3,110 715.00- 761.00 734.29
 Eye of Round Frozen 990 835.00- 869.00 841.00
 Strip Loin Fresh 24,559 1,000.00- 1,392.00 1,294.99
 Strip Loin Frozen 3,804 925.00- 1,050.00 990.00
 Top Sirloin Fresh 11,226 792.00- 950.00 839.52
 Top Sirloin Frozen 656 800.00- 950.00 920.00
 Tenderloin Fresh 12,022 1,810.00- 2,536.00 2,160.38
 Tenderloin Frozen 8,518 1,648.00- 1,650.00 1,649.97

 Hearts 4,872 192.00- 285.00 240.09
 Livers 14,368 135.00- 211.00 162.14
 Tongues 2,195 330.00- 419.00 342.53

 Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh 34,888 708.00- 730.00 712.93
 Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen
 Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen 32,355 673.00- 727.00 710.72

 Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh 71,616 575.00- 680.00 605.00
 Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen
 Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh
 Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen 147,211 656.00- 789.00 716.99
 Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen
 Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh
 Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen 143,446 698.00- 777.00 730.24

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	581,892	686.00-	699.00	686.74
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	7,009	730.00-	763.00	733.70
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	4,352	725.00-	875.00	855.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	49,128	705.00-	750.00	708.53

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
	Lbs	Price Range		Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		21.49-	32.00	27.87
Filet Mignon		35.95-	48.00	41.73
New York Strip		21.49-	30.67	27.03
Flat Iron		15.99-	21.95	18.97
Flank Steak		9.99-	17.49	15.60
Skirt Steak		12.95-	13.02	12.99
Chuck Roast		9.99-	12.33	11.44
Eye of Round Roast		10.33-	13.99	12.58
Top Sirloin		10.33-	13.95	12.06
Sirloin Tip		10.28-	14.05	12.07
Brisket		11.28-	12.49	11.90
Ribs		9.31-	12.49	10.44
Prime Rib		25.95-	34.27	30.11
Tenderloin		35.95-	48.00	41.73
Stew Meat		12.49-	14.33	14.13
Jerky		39.76-	53.07	44.26
Hearts		7.39-	11.00	9.79
Livers		5.98-	14.82	12.23
Tongues		6.58-	10.99	8.09
Hot Dogs		7.95-	16.65	12.86
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		10.49-	12.25	11.65
Ground Bison (Patties)		11.99-	12.99	12.51

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	May 2016	May 2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	91,492	69,666	494,497	286,601
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	1,323		24,912	13,448

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
For the Month of May

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	: Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for May:	Head
W/E 5/07/16	970	: Slaughter Male	248
W/E 5/14/16	1095	: Slaughter Female	214
W/E 5/21/16	1392	: Feeder Male	339
W/E 5/28/16	1138	: Feeder Female	118
		: Total	919
Total	4,595	: Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to April report: Bison carcass prices were similar to prices reported for the previous month. While the top price paid for all animals were lower the bottom prices were higher, resulting in prices that weree nearly identical for all bison, regardless of age or gender.

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

CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
**Young Bull	620	2,213	445.00- 450.00	445.35	
**Young Heif	544	1,190	425.00- 445.00	429.50	
**Aged Bulls	1059	144	380.00- 390.00	384.97	
**Aged Cows	608	284	370.00- 390.00	371.55	
Total		3,831			

Bison Meat: Compared to April report: Prices were higher for middle meats as the grilling season edged closer. Prices for 90% trim were trended lower while prices were steady to slightly higher for 85% grinds. Canadian bison meat imports continue to surge higher.

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	33,356	1,200.00- 1,514.00	1385.13	
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,651	1,200.00- 1,300.00	1230.00	
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	65,655	630.00- 810.00	652.90	
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	10,821	773.00- 780.00	778.97	
Top Round Fresh	3,573	734.00- 734.00	734.00	
Top Round Frozen	2,532	777.00- 830.00	820.87	
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	3,699	540.00- 850.00	718.00	
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,314	758.00- 800.00	774.53	
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,331	575.00- 695.00	709.00	
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,883	758.00- 800.00	767.47	
Eye of Round Fresh	2,527	715.00- 775.00	726.00	
Eye of Round Frozen	997	785.00- 810.00	786.63	
Strip Loin Fresh	25,507	970.00- 1,233.00	1,039.27	
Strip Loin Frozen	2,052	950.00- 1,000.00	987.56	
Top Sirloin Fresh	8,476	600.00- 901.00	827.24	
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,058	820.00- 870.00	855.00	
Tenderloin Fresh	14,048	1,650.00- 2,725.00	2,134.93	
Tenderloin Frozen	4,940	1,500.00- 1,900.00	1,794.35	
Hearts	4,881	193.00- 285.00	241.46	
Livers	20,541	135.00- 206.00	151.63	
Tongues	861	335.00- 413.00	372.87	

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	19,901	595.00-	710.00	670.55
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	10,200	680.00-	720.00	690.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	22,644	620.00-	726.00	722.35

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	71,628	575.00-	680.00	603.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	164,719	690.00-	763.00	704.94
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	117,163	603.00-	744.00	709.37

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	607,472	685.00- 695.00	685.90
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,444	700.00- 740.00	720.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,688	725.00- 850.00	822.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	43,398	701.00- 745.00	702.25

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		21.49- 36.60	28.71
Filet Mignon		35.63- 48.00	38.89
New York Strip		21.49- 36.50	29.22
Flat Iron		12.63- 15.99	14.31
Flank Steak		9.32- 17.49	14.84
Skirt Steak		12.95- 13.15	13.05
Chuck Roast		11.00- 15.00	12.35
Eye of Round Roast		11.96- 15.00	13.19
Top Sirloin		9.99- 15.00	12.39
Sirloin Tip		9.30- 12.63	10.97
Brisket		7.87- 12.49	10.78
Ribs		9.00- 12.49	10.02
Prime Rib		25.95- 34.27	30.16
Tenderloin		35.95- 47.28	40.87
Stew Meat		12.49- 14.33	13.60
Jerky		39.80- 43.80	41.66
Hearts		6.15- 10.99	8.80
Livers		6.00- 11.49	9.16
Tongues		6.58- 10.99	8.35
Hot Dogs		13.99- 16.65	15.15
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.85- 11.95	11.34
Ground Bison (Patties)		9.50- 12.99	12.14

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Apr2016	Apr2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	101,854	20,723	403,005	216,935
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	11,244		23,589	13,448

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For the Month of April

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for April:	Head
W/E 4/02/16	937	:Slaughter Male	673
W/E 4/09/16	1047	:Slaughter Female	610
W/E 4/16/16	1084	:Feeder Male	627
W/E 4/23/16	963	:Feeder Female	500
`		:Total	2410
Total	4,031	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to Mar. report: Prices increased for both prime and aged bulls yet held steady for heifers, regardless of age. The total number of bison harvested decreased from the numbers reported for March.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis	CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg
**Young Bull	618	1,962	435.00-	462.00	446.93
**Young Heif	538	1,207	422.00-	462.00	429.94
**Aged Bulls	1233	92	368.00-	390.00	384.32
**Aged Cows	600	436	370.00-	400.00	370.30
Total		3,697			

Bison Meat: Compared to Mar. report: The number of pounds for both ground bison and bison patties increased when compared to the previous month. The pounds of ground product moving this early in the year may indicate that customers are stocking up early in anticipation of the tourist demand.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	33,144	1,140.00- 1,429.00	1364.57
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,449	1,110.00- 1,310.00	1157.38
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	9,452	680.00- 800.00	707.78
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	87,220	645.00- 795.00	670.34
Top Round Fresh	2,207	682.00- 682.00	682.00
Top Round Frozen	4,323	760.00- 785.00	782.67
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	2,382	703.00- 704.00	705.36
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,597	757.00- 770.00	767.25

Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,012	575.00-	695.00	715.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,662	785.00-	785.00	785.00
Eye of Round Fresh	950	575.00-	785.00	715.00
Eye of Round Frozen	2,212	744.00-	785.00	771.82
Strip Loin Fresh	26,605	1,010.00-	1,351.00	1,236.35
Strip Loin Frozen	2,157	950.00-	957.00	951.32
Top Sirloin Fresh	10,901	775.00-	887.00	831.74
Top Sirloin Frozen	509	875.00-	1,110.00	903.62
Tenderloin Fresh	13,620	1,650.00-	2,620.00	2,109.02
Tenderloin Frozen	4,481	1,610.00-	2,330.00	1,784.97

Hearts	4,149	222.00-	275.00	263.85
Livers	8,075	134.00-	184.00	135.67
Tongues	740	330.00-	404.00	389.00

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	20,452	656.00-	725.00	671.59
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	12,953	690.00-	775.00	735.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	4,239	650.00-	715.00	683.72

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	72,756	575.00-	680.00	599.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	168,993	645.00-	755.00	691.55
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	92,202	680.00-	798.00	705.81

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	636,922	673.00-	684.00	674.01
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,980	730.00-	760.00	745.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	4,416	725.00-	850.00	796.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	43,990	696.00-	755.00	698.11

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Simple Avg	
Ribeye Steaks		18.99-	31.00	27.10
Filet Mignon		32.95-	55.00	44.36
New York Strip		18.99-	28.00	24.31
Flat Iron		14.49-	21.95	18.22
Flank Steak		10.80-	15.95	14.30
Skirt Steak		12.95-	13.15	13.05
Chuck Roast		9.75-	12.66	11.34
Eye of Round Roast		11.95-	12.49	12.32
Top Sirloin		9.99-	12.49	11.61
Sirloin Tip		11.88-	21.95	16.72
Brisket		10.99-	11.99	10.89
Ribs		9.32-	10.99	9.91
Prime Rib		25.95-	26.56	26.26
Tenderloin		35.95-	48.28	40.63
Stew Meat		10.99-	13.98	13.17
Jerky		39.80-	43.80	41.66

Hearts		7.39-	11.10	9.49
Livers		5.98-	11.95	8.75
Tongues		7.30-	7.99	7.67

Hot Dogs	13.95-	14.47	14.14
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.85-	11.95	11.14
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.25-	12.99	11.61

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Mar 2016	Mar2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	123,679	96,342	301,151	196,211
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	441	0	12,346	13,448

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

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Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for March:	Head
W/E 3/05/16	1225	:	
W/E 3/12/16	1039	:Slaughter Male	919
W/E 3/19/16	1225	:Slaughter Female	678
W/E 3/26/16	1031	:Feeder Male	999
`		:Feeder Female	356
		:Total	2952
Total	4,520	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to Feb. report: Top end prices for young bulls and heifers were higher, dragging bison prices with them. While aged bull prices were higher on both ends of the range compared to aged cows, the average aged cow price was higher than prices reported for aged bulls.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis
 CLASS -----Avg Carc Wt -----Hd -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg ---
 **Young Bull 621 1,576 431.00- 482.00 441.84
 **Young Heif 541 1,808 415.00- 482.00 430.47
 **Aged Bulls 1092 336 350.00- 380.00 360.68
 **Aged Cows 554 508 315.00- 378.00 370.26
 Total 4,228

 Bison Meat: Compared to Feb. report: Prices continue to remain strong for both whole muscle cuts and ground product. Warmer weather has encouraged buyers to continue to invest in middle meats. Demand for ground bison product also remained strong as evidenced by aged animal prices.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	38,723	1,140.00-	1,414.00	1349.92
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,214	1,092.00-	1,232.00	1092.65
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	90,629	645.00-	795.00	652.47
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	10,761	763.00-	790.00	784.67
Top Round Fresh	2,728	682.00-	682.00	682.00
Top Round Frozen	4,611	788.00-	790.00	788.79
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	3,211	696.00-	729.00	696.42
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	11,866	760.00-	765.00	764.20
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,667	680.00-	788.00	711.59
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,780	785.00-	793.00	792.05
Eye of Round Fresh	1,777	675.00-	741.00	709.95
Eye of Round Frozen	1,384	786.00-	810.00	787.80
Strip Loin Fresh	23,830	965.00-	1,284.00	1,230.73
Strip Loin Frozen	2,604	950.00-	975.00	952.39
Top Sirloin Fresh	11,132	751.00-	897.00	793.96
Top Sirloin Frozen	848	850.00-	910.00	890.00
Tenderloin Fresh	13,952	1,680.00-	2,408.00	2,117.69
Tenderloin Frozen	3,913	1,395.00-	1,650.00	1,649.61
Hearts	6,597	178.00-	275.00	227.04
Livers	12,573	133.00-	240.00	148.65
Tongues	1,512	325.00-	406.00	349.54
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	47,154	695.00-	710.00	701.16
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	10,903	675.00-	705.00	704.39
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	4,766	640.00-	696.00	674.85
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	76,164	575.00-	680.00	599.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	178,374	641.00-	764.00	687.70
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	94,882	680.00-	745.00	704.77
GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	599,721	657.00-	666.00	657.99
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	5,180	740.00-	750.00	745.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	10,609	650.00-	790.00	705.38
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	920	745.00-	755.00	750.00
BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
	Lbs	Price Range		Simple Avg
Ribeye Steaks		15.99-	33.33	23.90
Filet Mignon		35.62-	55.00	42.14
New York Strip		25.95-	39.80	30.60
Flat Iron		14.49-	21.95	18.22
Flank Steak		10.83-	15.95	13.86
Skirt Steak		12.47-	14.49	13.47
Chuck Roast		10.49-	14.98	12.05
Eye of Round Roast		8.59-	12.49	10.57
Top Sirloin		9.99-	13.32	11.79
Sirloin Tip		9.99-	13.32	11.79

Brisket	10.99-	13.34	11.90
Ribs	6.21-	11.09	9.40
Prime Rib	25.95-	34.27	29.07
Tenderloin	35.95-	37.99	36.97
Stew Meat	8.77-	16.75	13.09
Jerky			
Hearts	7.39-	11.00	9.46
Livers	4.34-	14.86	9.81
Tongues	6.58-	9.99	8.02
Hot Dogs	12.95-	16.40	14.46
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.99-	13.99	11.26
Ground Bison (Patties)	11.19-	14.25	12.29

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Feb 2016	Feb 2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	75,398	67,962	177,695	99,869
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	11,684	220	11,684	13,448

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of February

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for February:	Head
W/E 2/06/16	931	:	
W/E 2/13/16	1024	:Slaughter Male	559
W/E 2/20/16	1024	:Slaughter Female	645
W/E 2/27/16	1121	:Feeder Male	598
`		:Feeder Female	340
		:Total	2142
Total	4,100	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to Jan. report: Prices for aged bison moved higher while prices were steady for younger bison. The exchange rate continued to encourage Canadian bison producers to sell their animals into the United States for either finishing or harvesting.

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

CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	--
**Young Bull	601	1,081	421.00-	446.00	432.26
**Young Heif	538	1,799	415.00-	426.00	417.32
**Aged Bulls -	0	116	371.00-	375.00	372.72
**Aged Cows	526	482	353.00-	385.00	362.10
Total		3,478			

Bison Meat: Compared to Jan. report:

Prices edged higher for both

fresh and frozen bison whole muscle cuts. Prices for trimmings, grinds and patties were also stronger. Pounds of Canadian bison meat imports also surged

for January compared to imported Canadian bison in January 2015.

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	--
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	35,298	1,110.00-	1,361.00	1333.20
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,400	1,060.00-	1,630.00	1095.26
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	73,657	660.00-	942.00	874.47
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	18,249	757.00-	775.00	770.74
Top Round Fresh	1,918	672.00-	672.00	672.00
Top Round Frozen	8,215	783.00-	785.00	783.72
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	2,002	540.00-	850.00	700.00
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	5,908	744.00-	750.00	748.42
Flats, Outside Round Fresh				
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,185	743.00-	785.00	744.56
Eye of Round Fresh	1,593	665.00-	727.00	689.64
Eye of Round Frozen	942	780.00-	800.00	783.55
Strip Loin Fresh	22,026	945.00-	1,267.00	1,194.18
Strip Loin Frozen	2,115	880.00-	1,450.00	896.68
Top Sirloin Fresh	18,131	728.00-	900.00	764.28
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,698	870.00-	1,110.00	884.84
Tenderloin Fresh	11,812	1,660.00-	2,684.00	2,122.80
Tenderloin Frozen	6,387	1,490.00-	1,615.00	1,603.45
Hearts	3,158	184.00-	265.00	244.07
Livers	711	133.00-	206.00	146.27
Tongues	374	320.00-	411.00	340.81
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	23,297	649.00-	700.00	665.18
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	12,510	660.00-	700.00	699.40
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	7,441	620.00-	694.00	640.30
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	67,260	599.00-	720.00	603.46
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	146,364	640.00-	762.00	688.38
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,660	745.00-	745.00	745.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	75,501	659.00-	745.00	704.31

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	--
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	515,679	595.00-	675.00	654.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,440	720.00-	760.00	730.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	68,643	678.00-	798.00	682.55

Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	31,980	685.00-	750.00	689.05
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BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN

	Lbs	Price	Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.99-	31.98	25.97
Filet Mignon		35.99-	55.20	46.28
New York Strip		18.99-	30.65	25.59
Flat Iron		14.99-	24.95	20.46
Flank Steak		10.80-	15.75	14.25
Skirt Steak		12.95-	18.45	14.85
Chuck Roast		9.75-	14.98	11.86
Eye of Round Roast		6.98-	12.49	14.19
Top Sirloin		9.99-	13.33	11.75
Sirloin Tip		6.98-	15.47	11.95
Brisket		9.31-	12.62	11.23
Ribs		9.32-	11.09	10.02
Prime Rib		25.75-	31.75	28.02
Tenderloin		35.95-	37.99	36.97
Stew Meat		10.99-	16.75	13.95
Jerky		39.80-	43.80	41.65
Hearts		6.50-	9.99	7.15
Tongues		4.29-	9.99	8.15
Livers		6.95-	9.99	7.06
Hot Dogs				
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.75-	12.25	10.67
Ground Bison (Patties)		9.40-	12.99	12.18

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Jan 2016	Jan 2015	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	102,074	31,967	102,074	31,967
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)		13,228		13,228

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of January

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	: Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for January:	Head
		:	

W/E 1/02/16	811	:Slaughter Male	514
W/E 1/09/16	864	:Slaughter Female	348
W/E 1/16/16	1146	:Feeder Male	500
W/E 1/23/16	1122	:Feeder Female	406
`		:Total	1768
Total	3,943	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to Dec. report: Prices on young bison bulls

and heifers as well aged bulls all moved slightly higher while aged cow prices dropped slightly. While the price was firm on the bottom for all genders, top side prices were stronger for the younger animals

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	Avg Carc Wt	Hd	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	
**Young Bull	622	1,309	425.00- 444.00	431.20	
**Young Heif	549	961	410.00- 444.00	415.72	
**Aged Bulls	1072	100	350.00- 370.00	363.40	
**Aged Cows	520	746	350.00- 374.00	353.30	
Total		3,116			

Bison Meat: Compared to Dec. report: No pattern of pricing was evident as it appeared that prices were reflective of the players in the market.

For the grinds and patties, fresh bison products were priced slightly higher compared to December while frozen product prices were slightly lower.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	28,364	1,075.00- 1,500.00	1309.66	
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,153	1,075.00- 1,150.00	1105.00	
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	68,427	635.00- 750.00	643.44	
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	13,351	710.00- 773.00	743.39	
Top Round Fresh	537,143	500.00- 680.00	635.21	
Top Round Frozen	3,379	740.00- 780.00	774.85	
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	17,357	540.00- 850.00	700.00	
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	3,147	760.00- 825.00	793.26	
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	342	575.00- 705.00	702.36	
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,576	760.00- 771.00	769.70	
Eye of Round Fresh	2,284	525.00- 746.00	678.05	
Eye of Round Frozen	1,224	771.00- 775.00	771.32	
Strip Loin Fresh	22,767	850.00- 1,232.00	1,209.59	
Strip Loin Frozen	1,589	825.00- 925.00	885.00	
Top Sirloin Fresh	16,472	726.00- 898.00	751.35	
Top Sirloin Frozen				
Tenderloin Fresh	12,065	1,400.00- 2,605.00	2,084.37	
Tenderloin Frozen	2,060	1,375.00- 1,595.00	1,537.47	
Hearts	3,158	185.00- 270.00	190.71	
Livers	711	122.00- 143.00	128.44	
Tongues	374	295.00- 406.00	386.71	
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	31,635	638.00- 690.00	645.38	
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	6,280	665.00- 720.00	685.00	
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	2,372	640.00- 698.00	661.32	

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	67,260	598.00-	598.00	598.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,316	720.00-	750.00	721.30
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	126,594	635.00-	762.00	679.87
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,827	745.00-	745.00	745.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	70,323	575.00-	715.00	690.76

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	559,524	654.00-	669.00	655.57
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,280	690.00-	725.00	710.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,312	725.00-	850.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	35,943	690.00-	720.00	690.56

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	
Ribeye Steaks		13.59-	39.22	26.37
Filet Mignon		27.00-	55.00	41.99
New York Strip		14.49-	30.67	22.60
Flat Iron		17.00-	21.95	19.49
Flank Steak		10.83-	15.95	14.46
Skirt Steak		12.97-	17.00	14.37
Chuck Roast		8.99-	12.66	10.96
Eye of Round Roast		9.99-	14.00	11.74
Top Sirloin		9.99-	16.00	11.67
Sirloin Tip		13.90-	21.95	17.62
Brisket		9.99-	10.00	10.00
Ribs		9.49-	10.00	9.78
Prime Rib		21.00-	33.00	26.33
Tenderloin		25.00-	40.00	32.99
Stew Meat		9.49-	14.33	13.09
Jerky		39.75-	55.80	44.19
Hearts		5.50-	8.99	6.83
Tongues		5.13-	8.49	6.15
Livers		5.98-	8.49	7.14
Hot Dogs		12.95-	15.40	13.87
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.75-	12.25	10.35
Ground Bison (Patties)		9.09-	12.99	11.87

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Dec 2015	Dec2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	134,923	48,502	904,336	492,954
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	33,510		82,673	221

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

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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 12/05/15	873		: Slaughter Male	765
W/E 12/12/15	910		: Slaughter Female	558
W/E 12/19/15	920		: Feeder Male	375
W/E 12/26/15	688		: Feeder Female	516
			: Total	2214
Total	3,391		: Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to Nov. report: The number of harvested bison was similar as were prices for prime bulls and heifers along with aged bulls. However, prices moved higher for aged cows as demand continued for ground bison product.

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

CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg
**Young Bull	626	1,833	424.00- 430.00	424.94
**Young Heif	494	860	410.00- 425.00	413.08
**Aged Bulls	1015	73	350.00- 370.00	364.25
**Aged Cows	464	644	350.00- 418.00	369.73
Total		3,410		

Bison Meat: Compared to Nov. report: Prices for most bison whole muscle cuts drifted slightly lower as slightly more bison meat appeared to be available. Prices for both wholesale and case ready ground bison also appeared to be weaker.

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	41,442	850.00- 1,482.00	1344.59
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,638	1,025.00- 1,250.00	1180.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	74,802	500.00- 780.00	626.84
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	7,025	715.00- 770.00	744.09
Top Round Fresh	2,189	664.00- 664.00	664.00
Top Round Frozen	1,824	760.00- 780.00	770.87
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	5,035	540.00- 850.00	711.62
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	7,833	730.00- 780.00	755.41
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,072	575.00- 700.00	690.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,985	740.00- 785.00	772.15
Eye of Round Fresh	1,852	525.00- 726.00	711.57
Eye of Round Frozen	1,096	780.00- 785.00	784.61
Strip Loin Fresh	14,826	850.00- 1,450.00	779.06
Strip Loin Frozen	1,814	825.00- 1,050.00	910.00
Top Sirloin Fresh	12,559	600.00- 896.00	737.72
Top Sirloin Frozen	883	770.00- 815.00	780.00

Tenderloin Fresh	12,616	1,500.00-	2,189.00	2,076.88
Tenderloin Frozen	10,623	1,500.00-	1,900.00	1,579.23

Hearts	3,696	88.00-	295.00	252.38
Livers	11,833	113.00-	201.00	144.59
Tongues	3,181	295.00-	450.00	314.01

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	205,712	657.00-	710.00	674.07
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	5,035	660.00-	690.00	689.17
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	573	710.00-	710.00	710.00

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	83,076	575.00-	680.00	595.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,192	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	140,190	626.00-	670.00	675.55
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,616	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	74,576	599.00-	690.00	684.98

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	557,455	653.00- 665.00	654.46
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	2,790	730.00- 730.00	730.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,774	790.00- 790.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	20,739	695.00- 740.00	696.46

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		16.59- 35.68	27.83
Filet Mignon		27.00- 35.95	30.15
New York Strip		20.76- 28.48	24.12
Flat Iron		13.59- 17.56	16.06
Flank Steak		10.83- 21.44	14.09
Skirt Steak		12.98- 13.88	14.59
Chuck Roast		8.99- 12.63	11.24
Eye of Round Roast		9.87- 14.00	11.23
Top Sirloin		8.92- 16.00	12.59
Sirloin Tip		9.30- 17.00	10.43
Brisket		11.95- 11.99	11.97
Ribs		7.43- 10.00	8.80
Prime Rib		21.00- 27.44	25.25
Tenderloin		25.00- 44.55	39.47
Stew Meat		13.75- 15.64	14.32
Jerky		39.80- 43.80	41.66
Hearts		7.40- 11.00	8.96
Tongues		6.58- 8.49	7.20
Livers		6.95- 14.83	10.22

Hot Dogs	13.99-	15.40	14.46
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.75-	12.25	10.12
Ground Bison (Patties)	9.09-	13.50	11.62

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Nov 2015	Nov2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	80,689	55,777	769,193	444,452
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	87,444		49,163	221

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Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for October:	
	Bison		Head
W/E 10/03/15	1071	:Slaughter Male	656
W/E 10/10/15	954	:Slaughter Female	672
W/E 10/17/1	999	:Feeder Male	298
W/E 9/26/15	927	:Feeder Female	148
		:Total	1774
Total	3,951	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to Sept. report: Prices were lower for bulls while being steady for heifers, regardless of age. Imported Canadian boneless bison meat for 2015 continues to outpace the pounds recorded for 2014.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis					
CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
**Young Bull	615	1,975	420.00-	425.00	424.47
**Young Heif	558	972	410.00-	416.00	410.61
**Aged Bulls	1132	39	350.00-	365.00	360.90
**Aged Cows	566	243	340.00-	360.00	353.09
Total		3,229			

Bison Meat: Compared to Sept. report: Prices for fresh bison meat trended higher while frozen product was less costly. However, prices trended lower for both 90% and 85% grinds and patties, regardless if the product was fresh or frozen.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	---
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	42,105	850.00-	1,500.00	1230.41
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,442	1,020.00-	1,200.00	1125.00
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	69,453	500.00-	690.00	615.29
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	8,780	655.00-	690.00	665.00
Top Round Fresh	1,143	669.00-	740.00	693.07

Top Round Frozen	2,527	675.00-	845.00	724.98
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	3,159	540.00-	850.00	689.14
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	2,702	680.00-	760.00	697.91
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,730	575.00-	740.00	709.05
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,028	680.00-	785.00	758.04
Eye of Round Fresh	2,518	525.00-	675.00	693.67
Eye of Round Frozen	751	784.00-	785.00	785.00
Strip Loin Fresh	24,052	875.00-	1,450.00	1,102.15
Strip Loin Frozen	2,319	850.00-	950.00	915.00
Top Sirloin Fresh	11,999	600.00-	851.00	763.79
Top Sirloin Frozen	842	800.00-	840.00	815.00
Tenderloin Fresh	9,456	1,450.00-	2,680.00	2,057.22
Tenderloin Frozen	5,573	1,350.00-	2,495.00	1,425.00

Hearts	6,173	151.00-	295.00	217.13
Livers	13,753	117.00-	282.00	146.58
Tongues	2,066	285.00-	429.00	312.43

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	113,922	651.00-	690.00	653.74
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	15,180	645.00-	695.00	665.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen				

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	73,824	575.00-	680.00	598.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	89,646	575.00-	1,150.00	656.48
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	73,225	650.00-	1,250.00	667.74

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	610,062	595.00- 675.00	647.62
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,860	710.00- 740.00	725.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,992	725.00- 850.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	14,440	665.00- 750.00	666.94

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		16.40- 35.20	27.39
Filet Mignon		30.39- 60.50	45.78
New York Strip		19.96- 35.30	24.47
Flat Iron		13.59- 21.20	17.45
Flank Steak		10.83- 21.20	14.58
Skirt Steak		12.97- 13.15	13.06
Chuck Roast		8.90- 13.33	11.41
Eye of Round Roast		9.86- 12.33	10.88
Top Sirloin		9.99- 16.43	12.62
Sirloin Tip		9.99- 16.94	13.62
Brisket		9.31- 11.99	10.90
Ribs		9.30- 9.49	9.37
Prime Rib		24.95- 33.94	30.53
Tenderloin		30.99- 39.98	34.64
Stew Meat		9.49- 15.64	13.52
Jerky		28.00- 41.39	34.75

Hearts		4.93- 9.95	7.69
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Tongues	6.58-	8.49	7.76
Livers	6.50-	14.82	7.51
Hot Dogs	12.95-	15.40	14.17
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.83-	12.55	10.70
Ground Bison (Patties)	9.09-	13.40	11.73

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Sept 2015	Sept2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	76,059	42,549	614,869	189,048
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	11,464		29,321	221

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of August

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for August:	Head
W/E 9/05/15	1080	:	
W/E 9/12/15	756	:Slaughter Male	419
W/E 9/19/15	952	:Slaughter Female	650
W/E 9/26/15	948	:Feeder Male	69
`		:Feeder Female	96
		:Total	1234
Total	3,736	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to Sept. report: Carcass prices were lower on aged females while prices edged higher for the other classes of bison carcasses. The average carcass wt on all genders, regardless of age, was also lower when compared to weights reported for September.

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

CLASS	-----Avg Carc Wt	-----Hd	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg --
**Young Bull	616	2,186	420.00- 429.00	425.13
**Young Heif	513	839	410.00- 412.00	410.79
**Aged Bulls	1042	34	340.00- 360.00	351.18
**Aged Cows	505	296	340.00- 370.00	353.92
Total		3,355		

 Bison Meat: Compared to July's report: Prices trended lower on middle

meats while prices began to edge higher on end meats, as consumers moved from away from grilling. The cost of 90@ ground bison and patties were steady while price rises were seen for 85% grinds and patties.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	41,518	850.00-	1,593.00	1221.58
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,274	1,000.00-	1,450.00	1136.45
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	68,872	500.00-	736.00	615.89
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	10,703	650.00-	835.00	702.00
Top Round Fresh	2,857	670.00-	720.00	681.59
Top Round Frozen	4,488	670.00-	840.00	735.25
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	2,529	540.00-	850.00	682.40
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	3,604	680.00-	710.00	685.70
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	972	720.00-	740.00	730.43
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,216	680.00-	785.00	754.25
Eye of Round Fresh	2,302	525.00-	724.00	685.56
Eye of Round Frozen	1,060	685.00-	785.00	767.82
Strip Loin Fresh	28,329	875.00-	1,450.00	1,119.86
Strip Loin Frozen	2,535	860.00-	1,120.00	980.80
Top Sirloin Fresh	10,213	675.00-	825.00	748.62
Top Sirloin Frozen	893	800.00-	860.00	834.16
Tenderloin Fresh	16,055	1,450.00-	2,680.00	2,134.56
Tenderloin Frozen	5,721	1,400.00-	2,495.00	1,630.92
Hearts	3,466	86.00-	385.00	261.79
Livers	12,984	115.00-	280.00	159.02
Tongues	1,831	260.00-	435.00	324.52
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	123,112	560.00-	700.00	644.37
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	11,769	529.00-	700.00	658.61
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	3,391	583.00-	729.00	657.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	466,560	575.00-	700.00	598.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	162,430	575.00-	950.00	661.67
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,829	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	87,853	575.00-	885.00	673.58
GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	558,667	595.00-	675.00	655.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,040	700.00-	730.00	720.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,048	725.00-	850.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	23,088	697.00-	740.00	701.44
BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		16.49-	35.68	31.79
Filet Mignon		25.00-	53.60	45.52
New York Strip		12.88-	28.99	23.51
Flat Iron		13.59-	21.20	17.33
Flank Steak		10.35-	20.00	14.88
Skirt Steak		10.35-	17.00	13.98

Chuck Roast	8.99-	14.00	11.94
Eye of Round Roast	9.99-	14.00	12.05
Top Sirloin	9.23-	12.40	11.12
Sirloin Tip	13.95-	17.00	15.68
Brisket	9.99-	11.95	11.05
Ribs	9.22-	10.35	9.62
Prime Rib	20.10-	30.75	24.11
Tenderloin	30.90-	50.90	42.68
Stew Meat	9.25-	15.64	12.43
Jerky	39.80-	51.00	44.06
Hearts	4.93-	8.49	6.73
Tongues	4.93-	8.49	6.71
Livers	7.59-	17.00	10.67
Hot Dogs	12.72-	13.85	13.28
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.82-	12.25	10.62
Ground Bison (Patties)	9.09-	13.50	11.13

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	July 2015	July 2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	104,720	25,794	538,810	146,499
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	1,764	0	17,857	221

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of July

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for July:	Head
W/E 7/04/15	885	:	
W/E 7/11/15	1062	:Slaughter Male	789
W/E 7/18/15	1102	:Slaughter Female	736
W/E 7/25/15	1061	:Feeder Male	241
`		:Feeder Female	
		:Total	1766
Total	4,110	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to June 's report: Prices worked their way higher for all ages and genders as demand continued to build for bison meat

products. Across the board, the lower side of the price range increased as processors paid the producers more money for their animals.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,996	420.00-	425.00	424.21
Young Heifers **	1,370	407.00-	415.00	410.07
Aged Bulls **	43	340.00-	360.00	350.00
Aged Cows **	176	340.00-	355.00	341.11
Total	3,585			

Bison Meat: Compared to June's report: Prices slid slightly lower as more bison whole muscle cuts appeared on the market. Prices on grinds patties were also slightly lower. Interestingly, more bison processors are moving product into case ready packaging.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	40,721	1,050.00-	1,650.00	1267.77
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	7,313	1,050.00-	1,200.00	1116.58
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	84,294	500.00-	710.00	629.16
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	15,028	650.00-	710.00	693.59
Top Round Fresh	4,332	670.00-	760.00	711.59
Top Round Frozen	2,468	720.00-	760.00	759.34
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	3,077	540.00-	850.00	673.29
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,703	710.00-	730.00	728.44
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	3,053	575.00-	771.00	742.98
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,547	720.00-	761.00	754.35
Eye of Round Fresh	1,557	525.00-	744.00	720.10
Eye of Round Frozen	944	720.00-	750.00	746.82
Strip Loin Fresh	32,799	875.00-	1,650.00	1,192.16
Strip Loin Frozen	4,091	875.00-	1,100.00	961.47
Top Sirloin Fresh	18,002	600.00-	908.00	700.44
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,743	750.00-	825.00	785.49
Tenderloin Fresh	18,586	1,400.00-	2,300.00	2,072.49
Tenderloin Frozen	9,096	1,400.00-	1,650.00	1,489.67
Hearts	6,049	164.00-	280.00	253.74
Livers	16,184	127.00-	150.00	152.21
Tongues	2,450	260.00-	310.00	317.39
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	41,800	550.00-	690.00	606.03
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	16,401	640.00-	670.00	655.04
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	13,035	600.00-	640.00	627.11
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	77,940	525.00-	640.00	580.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,520	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	145,416	575.00-	675.00	649.72
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,478	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	137,555	500.00-	675.00	656.52

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	586,228	655.00-	664.00	655.86

Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,964	650.00-	690.00	680.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,512	725.00-	850.00	795.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	32,021	660.00-	700.00	685.49

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT	(\$/POUND)	FROZEN		
	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd	Avg
Ribeye Steaks		30.25-	33.60	31.76
Filet Mignon		30.99-	55.00	41.55
New York Strip		23.95-	34.65	28.65
Flat Iron		13.59-	20.60	18.38
Flank Steak		10.50-	14.95	13.48
Skirt Steak		12.83-	12.98	12.91
Chuck Roast		8.99-	12.63	11.62
Eye of Round Roast		9.99-	12.66	11.55
Top Sirloin		9.99-	11.99	11.49
Sirloin Tip		9.99-	13.97	11.98
Brisket		9.59-	11.98	10.98
Ribs		7.65-	9.59	8.80
Prime Rib		23.95-	32.95	29.72
Tenderloin		31.95-	49.44	37.46
Stew Meat		8.99-	15.18	13.25
Jerky		39.80-	41.39	40.33
Hearts		4.80-	8.09	13.55
Tongues		7.47-	8.20	8.90
Livers		7.99-	14.83	9.57
Hot Dogs		12.72-	14.95	13.55
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.99-	12.99	10.69
Ground Bison (Patties)		9.09-	13.50	11.53

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	June 2015	June 2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	112,656	65,698	399,037	104,499
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	2,646		16,094	

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

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 For the Month of June

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally :Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S.

Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	for June:	Head
W/E 6/06/15	974	:	
W/E 6/13/15	996	:Slaughter Male	691
W/E 6/20/15	902	:Slaughter Female	590
W/E 6/26/15		:Feeder Male	229
		:Feeder Female	346
		:Total	1856
Total	2,872	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to May 's report: Prices inched higher on both young bulls and heifers and aged cows while remaining firm on aged bulls. The number of market ready animals continues to be tight as producers continue to retain young cows to serve as replacements for their breeding herds.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----		Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	2,374	410.00-	425.00	423.32
Young Heifers **	1,038	400.00-	410.00	407.03
Aged Bulls **	11	340.00-	340.00	340.00
Aged Cows **	107	325.00-	360.00	329.73
Total	3,530			

Bison Meat: Compared to May's report: Imported Canadian boneless meats have increased two-fold compared to last year as American wholesalers work to meet rising demands. Overall, the wholesale prices of bison meats slid slightly lower while prices for grinds and patties were stronger.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----		Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	38,012	1,050.00-	1,650.00	1366.09
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	9,065	1,050.00-	1,250.00	1142.97
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	76,449	500.00-	700.00	616.01
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	12,150	620.00-	825.00	683.01
Top Round Fresh	2,165	603.00-	660.00	607.53
Top Round Frozen	4,519	650.00-	785.00	719.86
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	3,535	540.00-	850.00	670.71
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,385	650.00-	725.00	672.39
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,551	575.00-	884.00	778.75
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,765	660.00-	785.00	731.02
Eye of Round Fresh	1,346	723.00-	723.00	723.00
Eye of Round Frozen	1,072	670.00-	885.00	750.04
Strip Loin Fresh	23,062	850.00-	1,650.00	1,309.97
Strip Loin Frozen	3,036	850.00-	1,460.00	974.89
Top Sirloin Fresh	23,509	600.00-	887.00	730.30
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,067	780.00-	1,110.00	853.43
Tenderloin Fresh	19,797	1,400.00-	2,680.00	2,057.33
Tenderloin Frozen	7,422	1,400.00-	1,850.00	1,567.66
Hearts	5,099	141.00-	280.00	217.85
Livers	10,731	104.00-	222.00	136.03
Tongues	2,083	270.00-	414.00	324.11
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	17,752	550.00-	690.00	651.93
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	34,365	625.00-	675.00	650.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	704	583.00-	698.00	651.00

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	17,752	525.00-	640.00	582.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	34,365	625.00-	675.00	650.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	151,767	575.00-	675.00	627.42
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,760	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	128,189	500.00-	675.00	639.69

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh ***	552,103	595.00-	654.78***
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	5,540	670.00-	690.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,832	725.00-	795.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	66,231	680.00-	707.16

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		16.75-	27.09
Filet Mignon		31.95-	45.36
New York Strip		16.59-	24.90
Flat Iron		13.59-	17.09
Flank Steak		10.50-	13.96
Skirt Steak		12.83-	13.91
Chuck Roast		8.59-	11.75
Eye of Round Roast		9.99-	11.11
Top Sirloin		7.99-	11.32
Sirloin Tip		11.33-	13.91
Brisket		9.59-	11.17
Ribs		7.65-	8.78
Prime Rib		23.95-	29.72
Tenderloin		31.95-	37.46
Stew Meat		8.99-	12.93
Jerky		39.80-	40.39
Hearts		5.76-	8.96
Tongues		7.47-	7.94
Livers		7.99-	13.68
Hot Dogs		12.72-	13.40
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.99-	10.35
Ground Bison (Patties)		9.50-	11.25

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	May 2015	May 2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	69,666	38,801	286,380	158,953
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			13,669	

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

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For the Month of May

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for May:	Head
		:	
W/E 5/02/15	855	:Slaughter Male	510
W/E 5/09/15	1282	:Slaughter Female	810
W/E 5/16/15	1113	:Feeder Male	424
W/E 5/23/15	1117	:Feeder Female	344
		:Total	2088
Total	4,367	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to April 's report: Prices for bison carcasses, regardless of gender or age, were higher as the tight supply of market ready continues. Strong prices for grinds continued to lend strength to prices for aged animals.

CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	2,183	417.00- 425.00	421.73
Young Heifers **	1,153	398.00- 410.00	407.12
Aged Bulls **	44	325.00- 340.00	325.77
Aged Cows **	182	310.00- 348.00	326.68
Total	3,562		

Bison Meat: Compared to April's report: Prices for center meats appeared to be sluggish as consumer demand may be lacking for the more expensive cuts. However, consumer demand for ground bison, particularly patties, remained strong.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -	(\$/Cwt)			
-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --		
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	33,320 1,250.00- 1,679.00	1393.80		
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	5,411 1,225.00- 1,795.00	1216.93		
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	60,020 500.00- 700.00	620.68		
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	12,410 650.00- 825.00	652.60		
Top Round Fresh	2,866 637.00- 720.00	641.23		
Top Round Frozen	6,725 645.00- 780.00	719.22		
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	3,931 540.00- 850.00	670.12		
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,367 640.00- 695.00	658.12		
Flats, Outside Round Fresh				
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	5,145 675.00- 725.00	693.26		
Eye of Round Fresh	1,535 703.00- 703.00	703.00		
Eye of Round Frozen	1,329 650.00- 795.00	711.08		
Strip Loin Fresh	22,577 850.00- 1,650.00	1,371.94		
Strip Loin Frozen	3,591 950.00- 1,325.00	988.74		

Top Sirloin Fresh	9,394	600.00-	875.00	825.29
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,386	750.00-	850.00	834.68
Tenderloin Fresh	16,876	1,400.00-	3,080.00	2,044.31
Tenderloin Frozen	5,343	1,400.00-	2,395.00	1,591.01

Hearts	8,367	167.00-	314.00	240.88
Livers	11,789	114.00-	288.00	147.16
Tongues	1,207	250.00-	453.00	358.57

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	33,272	550.00-	690.00	641.67
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	16,197	610.00-	640.00	630.44
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	759	512.00-	625.00	569.47

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	75,312	525.00-	640.00	580.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,645	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	169,059	571.00-	878.00	611.44
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,271	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	94,659	500.00-	802.00	621.46

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	560,572	525.00- 640.00	652.11
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	5,320	615.00- 655.00	640.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,936	725.00- 850.00	791.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	40,508	625.00- 679.00	678.08

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.59- 34.64	28.50
Filet Mignon		30.99- 59.36	34.67
New York Strip		15.59- 34.64	25.43
Flat Iron		13.59- 20.60	17.09
Flank Steak		10.50- 14.95	13.45
Skirt Steak		12.85- 12.97	12.91
Chuck Roast		8.59- 12.66	11.33
Eye of Round Roast		9.99- 12.33	11.54
Top Sirloin		8.99- 12.40	10.22
Sirloin Tip		13.95- 16.45	15.20
Brisket		9.59- 14.48	11.65
Ribs		8.65- 9.59	9.19
Prime Rib		23.95- 37.65	30.48
Tenderloin		30.99- 49.44	37.46
Stew Meat		11.95- 14.40	13.39
Jerky		37.60- 41.40	39.65

Hearts	4.80-	9.95	7.61
Tongues	7.47-	8.20	7.92
Livers	7.99-	16.90	13.63

Hot Dogs	12.72-	14.95	13.55
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.49-	12.50	10.69
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.59-	12.90	11.27

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Apr. 2015	Apr. 2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	13,669	52,470	216,935	98,106
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			13,669	

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS) For the Month of March -----

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for March:		Head
	Bison	:		
W/E 4/04/15	1032	:	Slaughter Male	761
W/E 4/11/15	877	:	Slaughter Female	1077
W/E 4/18/15	906	:	Feeder Male	542
W/E 4/25/15	868	:	Feeder Female	663
		:	Total	3043
Total	3,683	:	Source: USDA, APHIS	-----

Bison Carcasses: Compared to February 's report: Bison prices continue to creep higher as the number of market ready animals are limited. Aged animals culled from the breeding herd appear to be filling in the hole left by the limited harvest of prime animals. -----

----- Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-----				
(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt) FOB Plant Basis CLASS -----Hd-----				
-----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg --				
Young Bulls **	1,630	414.00-	425.00	421.84
Young Heifers **	1,438	401.00-	410.00	407.93
Aged Bulls **	50	310.00-	340.00	326.80
Aged Cows **	337	310.00-	340.00	316.41
Total	3,455	-----		

Bison Meat: Compared to February's report: As demand for bison meat product, American distributors have increased the importation of boneless Bison meat from Canada four-fold compare to the previous year. The pounds of ground bison marketed as case-ready continues to increase. -----

----- BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED -				
Wholesale - (\$/Cwt) -----Lbs -----				
Price Range-----Wghtd Avg -- Ribeye, Lip-				
On Fresh	32,522	1,050.00-	1,650.00	1429.42 Ribeye, Lip-
On Frozen	6,540	1,150.00-	1,495.00	1238.21
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	61,843	500.00-	700.00	612.76
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	15,918	640.00-	825.00	658.61
Top Round Fresh	2,924	621.00-	670.00	621.20
Top Round Frozen	3,140	620.00-	745.00	710.15
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	6,313	540.00-	850.00	663.95
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,716	660.00-	695.00	680.20

Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,765	575.00-	675.00	656.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	620	700.00-	725.00	715.44
Eye of Round Fresh	1,151	696.00-	696.00	696.00
Eye of Round Frozen	1,007	725.00-	735.00	726.06
Strip Loin Fresh	22,131	890.00-	1,650.00	1,358.32
Strip Loin Frozen	2,287	850.00-	1,325.00	951.12
Top Sirloin Fresh	7,452	600.00-	950.00	812.36
Top Sirloin Frozen	292	775.00-	1,110.00	836.95
Tenderloin Fresh	16,446	1,500.00-	2,680.00	2,053.56
Tenderloin Frozen	2,688	1,400.00-	2,395.00	1,502.18
Hearts	6,005	151.00-	275.00	215.31
Livers	13,134	165.00-	265.00	139.16
Tongues	1,625	79.00-	429.00	319.46
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	41,237	550.00-	690.00	608.35
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	26,126	550.00-	750.00	629.58
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	7,351	575.00-	625.00	584.21
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	72,228	525.00-	640.00	579.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	3,224	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			140,726	535.00-
845.00	605.36	Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,760	725.00-
725.00	725.00	Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh		
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	99,769	480.00-	767.00	620.74 ---

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

-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg --

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	617,515	595.00-	675.00	649.55
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,810	610.00-	630.00	625.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	50,736	646.00-	850.00	659.04
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	855	620.00-	640.00	635.00 ---

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

-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg -- Ribeye Steaks

Filet Mignon	20.59-	34.64	27.35
New York Strip	19.59-	34.64	26.41
Flat Iron	13.59-	20.60	16.98
Flank Steak	10.50-	17.08	14.18
Skirt Steak	12.82-	13.75	13.24
Chuck Roast	8.99-	12.33	11.09
Eye of Round Roast	10.99-	12.70	11.78
Top Sirloin	9.96-	12.70	11.71
Sirloin Tip	9.30-	16.45	10.54
Brisket	7.59-	11.99	10.48
Ribs	8.23-	9.59	8.58
Prime Rib	23.95-	32.95	29.72
Tenderloin	31.95-	49.43	38.79
Stew Meat	8.99-	14.49	12.95
Jerky	20.69-	39.80	33.41
Hearts	4.80-	11.00	7.95
Tongues	5.46-	7.37	6.42
Livers	7.99-	16.50	9.12
Hot Dogs	12.72-	14.95	13.84
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.39-	12.00	10.31
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.39-	12.50	10.90 ---

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S. -----

	Mar. 2015	Mar. 2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs	96,342	20,723	196,211	67,682
in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	0	0	13,669	0

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of March

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for March:	
Bison			Head
W/E 3/07/15	1059	:Slaughter Male	910
W/E 3/14/15	1102	:Slaughter Female	756
W/E 3/21/15	952	:Feeder Male	552
W/E 3/28/15	999	:Feeder Female	357
		:Total	2575
Total	4,112	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to February 's report: Prices for bison carcasses continue to creep higher. Compared to prices from March, 2014 carcasses were 7% higher for prime bulls and heifers as well as aged bulls while picees were 12 % higher for aged cows.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	2,073	410.00-	420.00	413.87
Young Heifers **	1,132	395.00-	410.00	400.81
Aged Bulls **	92	322.00-	340.00	325.60
Aged Cows **	701	310.00-	340.00	320.75
Total	3,998			

Bison Meat: Compared to February's report: Prices for bison cuts worked slightly higher compared to March of 2014. In a seasonal switch, prices were stronger for middle meats while end meat prices slid lower. An increase in the number of case ready pounds was also seen as new companies participated.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	31,101	1,050.00-	1,650.00	1451.21
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,577	1,175.00-	1,495.00	1221.02
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	88,372	500.00-	702.00	614.56
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	9,351	640.00-	655.00	653.12
Top Round Fresh	2,019	598.00-	598.00	598.00
Top Round Frozen	3,195	690.00-	795.00	712.50

Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,707	540.00-	850.00	663.12
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,595	670.00-	680.00	683.71
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	3,479	679.00-	679.00	679.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,605	700.00-	725.00	718.51
Eye of Round Fresh	2,075	671.00-	671.00	671.00
Eye of Round Frozen	585	725.00-	795.00	755.68
Strip Loin Fresh	18,490	1,000.00-	1,650.00	1,390.03
Strip Loin Frozen	2,485	970.00-	1,375.00	994.29
Top Sirloin Fresh	4,780	600.00-	1,000.00	799.43
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,608	750.00-	800.00	770.00
Tenderloin Fresh	9,325	1,500.00-	2,680.00	2,137.87
Tenderloin Frozen	1,594	1,500.00-	2,495.00	1,613.33

Hearts	718	152.00-	325.00	257.79
Livers	10,993	108.00-	275.00	152.79
Tongues	1,507	200.00-	453.00	402.69

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	27,278	550.00-	690.00	616.28
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	28,420	504.00-	620.00	614.81
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	6,233	570.00-	650.00	586.51

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	70,212	525.00-	640.00	578.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	131,989	500.00-	795.00	599.54
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	98,609	500.00-	760.00	625.67

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	608,266	525.00- 643.00	642.48
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	6,270	600.00- 625.00	615.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,904	725.00- 850.00	789.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	35,742	610.00- 685.00	681.24

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		20.59- 29.90	27.28
Filet Mignon		25.76- 53.62	42.28
New York Strip		19.59- 28.99	22.45
Flat Iron		13.59- 15.96	14.77
Flank Steak		10.50- 14.95	13.45
Skirt Steak		12.83- 12.89	12.91
Chuck Roast		8.89- 12.66	11.01
Eye of Round Roast		10.59- 12.33	11.68
Top Sirloin		9.66- 12.40	11.32
Sirloin Tip		9.30- 19.95	14.63
Brisket		9.31- 11.99	10.41
Ribs		9.22- 9.59	9.36
Prime Rib		23.95- 32.97	28.46
Tenderloin		31.95- 34.99	33.47
Stew Meat		8.99- 13.95	12.77
Jerky		37.60- 41.39	39.59
Hearts		8.09- 11.00	9.55
Tongues		7.73- 8.09	7.91

Livers	7.99-	14.83	12.24
Hot Dogs	12.72-	12.99	12.86
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.83-	12.25	10.11
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.39-	12.05	9.89

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Feb. 2015	Feb. 2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	67,902	19,842	99,869	46,958
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	221		13,669	

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

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 For the Month of February

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for February:	Head
W/E 2/07/15	1124	:	
W/E 2/14/15	968	:Slaughter Male	442
W/E 2/21/15	1021	:Slaughter Female	327
W/E 2/28/15	863	:Feeder Male	267
		:Feeder Female	124
		:Total	1160
Total	3,976	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to January 's report: Prices were steady for prime bulls and heifers as well as aged bulls while prices edged higher for aged cows. While the high side of the price range was steady, the bottom side of all prices worked its way higher.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----		Wgtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	1,337	405.00-	415.00	413.32
Young Heifers **	1,200	390.00-	410.00	399.80
Aged Bulls **	96	313.00-	330.00	325.53
Aged Cows **	516	310.00-	340.00	316.01
Total	3,149			

 Bison Meat: Compared to January's report: Prices were steady for

frozen bison meat yet slightly weaker for fresh bison cuts. Pricing patterns were similar for both eand and middle meats. Ground bison prices were also lower, yet more ground bison was reported moving through the markets.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	28,740	1,100.00-	1,650.00	1385.95
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,209	1,050.00-	1,450.00	1157.80
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	71,201	500.00-	675.00	592.57
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	7,014	635.00-	675.00	651.15
Top Round Fresh	1,549	629.00-	690.00	632.12
Top Round Frozen	4,754	650.00-	725.00	691.61
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	3,486	540.00-	660.00	652.11
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	2,410	645.00-	695.00	662.72
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,655	575.00-	675.00	644.04
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,030	650.00-	725.00	674.47
Eye of Round Fresh	971	689.00-	689.00	689.00
Eye of Round Frozen	287	670.00-	725.00	716.57
Strip Loin Fresh	19,341	1,000.00-	1,650.00	1,358.11
Strip Loin Frozen	1,159	950.00-	1,250.00	1,075.31
Top Sirloin Fresh	7,940	600.00-	850.00	835.33
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,855	755.00-	810.00	780.87
Tenderloin Fresh	12,198	1,550.00-	2,595.00	2,089.26
Tenderloin Frozen	1,245	1,500.00-	1,900.00	1,766.59
Hearts	718	159.00-	295.00	211.76
Livers	10,993	127.00-	288.00	160.58
Tongues	1,507	250.00-	450.00	323.60
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	22,093	550.00-	690.00	592.93
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	19,707	575.00-	660.00	589.37
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	3,188	495.00-	625.00	552.85
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	69,000	525.00-	640.00	578.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	3,352	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	162,546	500.00-	630.00	589.37
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,813	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	47,959	565.00-	620.00	601.96
GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	590,158	595.00-	675.00	639.27
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	2,690	590.00-	625.00	615.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,368	725.00-	850.00	789.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	30,333	600.00-	665.00	663.91
BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye Steaks				
Filet Mignon		20.59-	30.26	26.51
New York Strip		29.99-	57.60	43.06
Flat Iron		19.59-	28.99	25.32
Flank Steak		10.50-	14.78	13.81
Skirt Steak		12.83-	15.50	13.77
Chuck Roast		7.78-	12.35	9.59

Eye of Round Roast	9.33-	12.38	11.22
Top Sirloin	8.33-	12.99	11.36
Sirloin Tip	12.40-	19.95	16.11
Brisket	8.99-	11.25	10.14
Ribs	5.99-	9.59	8.57
Prime Rib	23.75-	32.23	29.33
Tenderloin	29.99-	42.83	38.19
Stew Meat	8.99-	14.00	12.56
Jerky	37.60-	41.38	39.68

Hearts	5.50-	8.09	6.79
Tongues	7.73-	8.09	8.95
Livers	6.45-	14.83	7.91

Hot Dogs	11.99-	14.95	13.09
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.49-	12.25	10.65
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.59-	12.99	11.17

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Jan. 2015	Jan. 2014	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	13,228	27,117	13,228	27,117
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	31,967		31,967	

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of January

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for January:	Head
W/E 1/03/15	739	:	
W/E 1/10/15	1164	:Slaughter Male	582
W/E 1/17/15	1124	:Slaughter Female	781
W/E 1/24/15	1164	:Feeder Male	192
`		:Feeder Female	212
		:Total	1767
Total	4,191	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to December 's report: Carcass prices were higher for prime bulls and heifers along with aged bulls as herd culling continues. Prices for aged cows dropped as the number of older females marketed increased by 50% compared to the previous month.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,041	405.00-	415.00	409.17
Young Heifers **	1,940	395.00-	405.00	396.14
Aged Bulls **	71	300.00-	340.00	325.85
Aged Cows **	551	280.00-	340.00	298.78
Total	3,603			

Bison Meat: Compared to December's report: Prices for middle meats climbed higher as middle meat prices slid lower as the holiday season ended. Prices for bison patties and ground bison increased while prices slid lower for bison trim as customer's may have been looking for further finished meats.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	30,543	1,000.00-	1,650.00	1417.31
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,259	1,000.00-	1,250.00	1141.34
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	93,598	500.00-	650.00	598.41
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	11,922	625.00-	660.00	648.83
Top Round Fresh	1,859	635.00-	635.00	635.00
Top Round Frozen	4,440	640.00-	680.00	668.18
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	5,148	540.00-	850.00	650.79
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	5,409	635.00-	670.00	660.95
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,896	575.00-	730.00	694.40
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,114	640.00-	725.00	681.36
Eye of Round Fresh	1,443	658.00-	658.00	658.00
Eye of Round Frozen	652	670.00-	725.00	721.29
Strip Loin Fresh	20,301	900.00-	1,650.00	1,350.70
Strip Loin Frozen	1,383	750.00-	1,000.00	938.86
Top Sirloin Fresh	6,534	600.00-	843.00	808.71
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,709	750.00-	800.00	768.06
Tenderloin Fresh	12,649	1,500.00-	2,300.00	2,114.45
Tenderloin Frozen	2,845	1,500.00-	1,900.00	1,722.81
Hearts	4,362	159.00-	300.00	173.70
Livers	11,017	118.00-	160.00	141.21
Tongues	2,030	250.00-	420.00	282.56
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	37,880	550.00-	690.00	598.07
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	16,341	570.00-	610.00	585.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	2,100	550.00-	550.00	550.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	82,520	525.00-	640.00	581.26
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	3,006	570.00-	700.00	692.22
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	110,555	500.00-	630.00	592.55
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,262	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	29,099	500.00-	650.00	601.21

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	630,148	595.00-	675.00	639.35
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	7,086	570.00-	620.00	594.16
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,296	725.00-	850.00	796.00

Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	50,546	585.00-	625.00	618.11
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BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN

-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg --

Ribeye Steaks	20.59-	33.60
Filet Mignon	29.99-	53.60
New York Strip	19.59-	28.99
Flat Iron	13.59-	15.96
Flank Steak	9.16-	14.95
Skirt Steak	11.50-	15.50
Chuck Roast	8.22-	11.20
Eye of Round Roast	10.95-	12.33
Top Sirloin	9.33-	13.95
Sirloin Tip	10.99-	15.96
Brisket	9.59-	12.53
Ribs	9.22-	9.99
Prime Rib	23.95-	29.00
Tenderloin	29.99-	31.95
Stew Meat	8.99-	13.75
Jerky	37.60-	39.80

Hearts	4.66-	8.09
Tongues	7.50-	8.00
Livers	4.00-	7.59

Hot Dogs	12.72-	14.95
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.49-	12.00
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.59-	12.50

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Dec. 2014	Dec. 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	46,518	16,535	490,749	361,338
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			221	9,580

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

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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 12/06/14	1057	:Slaughter Male	399
W/E 12/13/14	1032	:Slaughter Female	781
W/E 12/20/1	1067	:Feeder Male	350
W/E 12/26/14	616	:Feeder Female	150
`		:Total	1680
Total	3,772	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to November 's report: Prices were higher for both prime steers and heifers while similar prices were reported for aged animals. While higher prices were reported on both the top and bottom side for younger bulls and heifers, weighted averages were similar compared to the previous month.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,435	400.00-	415.00	408.75
Young Heifers **	1,523	370.00-	400.00	395.36
Aged Bulls **	75	300.00-	330.00	322.93
Aged Cows **	395	285.00-	330.00	303.09
Total	3,428			

Bison Meat: Compared to November's report: Canadian boneless bison imports nearly four fold in November of 2014 compared to 2013 and Canadian boneless bison imports were 22 per cent above the previous year. This data continues to show the need for increased bison meat to feed a growing demand.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	37,991	900.00-	1,650.00	1300.04
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,796	900.00-	1,425.00	1073.10
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	73,277	500.00-	710.00	604.25
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	5,457	620.00-	710.00	655.09
Top Round Fresh	2,804	608.00-	660.00	610.32
Top Round Frozen	3,788	630.00-	725.00	689.27
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,441	540.00-	850.00	655.02
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	6,066	620.00-	695.00	647.92
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,498	575.00-	675.00	649.27
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,871	630.00-	695.00	664.89
Eye of Round Fresh	1,044	662.00-	662.00	662.00
Eye of Round Frozen	339	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Strip Loin Fresh	23,566	800.00-	1,650.00	1,235.75
Strip Loin Frozen	2,795	800.00-	1,325.00	933.43
Top Sirloin Fresh	4,116	600.00-	879.00	824.39
Top Sirloin Frozen	723	725.00-	770.00	740.00
Tenderloin Fresh	15,730	1,550.00-	2,595.00	2,068.46
Tenderloin Frozen	30,919	1,450.00-	1,900.00	1,652.28
Hearts	4,432	140.00-	285.00	210.69
Livers	11,027	105.00-	208.00	141.34
Tongues	529	270.00-	450.00	328.90
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	52,203	525.00-	640.00	576.96
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	41,476	550.00-	605.00	580.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	627	540.00-	625.00	608.73
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	182,971	525.00-	640.00	600.48

Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	1,554	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	145,916	500.00-	630.00	585.05
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,184	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	52,750	500.00-	650.00	589.93

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	435,516	595.00-	675.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,884	560.00-	610.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	736	725.00-	850.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	14,426	575.00-	615.00

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		20.59-	33.60
Filet Mignon		29.99-	57.60
New York Strip		23.95-	33.60
Flat Iron		13.59	15.96
Flank Steak		9.16-	14.95
Skirt Steak		11.62-	15.50
Chuck Roast		8.99-	12.99
Eye of Round Roast		10.95-	12.33
Top Sirloin		10.99-	13.15
Sirloin Tip		9.33-	13.95
Brisket		10.75-	11.25
Ribs		9.22-	9.99
Prime Rib		23.95-	29.00
Tenderloin		29.99-	31.95
Stew Meat		8.99-	14.00
Jerky		37.60-	39.80
Hearts		8.09-	11.00
Tongues		7.30-	8.09
Livers		7.59-	13.90
Hot Dogs		12.85-	14.95
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		9.80-	12.50
Ground Bison (Patties)		8.99-	12.99

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Nov. 2014	Nov. 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	57,320	10,362	444,452	344,803
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			220	9,480

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of November

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for November:	Head
W/E 11/01/14	956	:	
W/E 11/08/14	950	:Slaughter Male	666
W/E 11/15/1	1157	:Slaughter Female	664
W/E 11/22/14	1072	:Feeder Male	431
		:Feeder Female	160
		:Total	1921
Total	4,135	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to October 's report: The tight supply of market ready bison continues to support higher pricing for all animals, regardless of age or gender. While the top price appears to be stable the lower prices reported to continue to move higher.

CLASS	Hd	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,062	399.00- 410.00	408.78
Young Heifers **	1,398	391.00- 400.00	394.14
Aged Bulls **	67	300.00- 330.00	328.90
Aged Cows **	447	285.00- 330.00	296.82
Total	2,974		

Bison Meat: Compared to October's report: Pricing for middle meats continues to stay strong while end meat prices slid slightly lower; in a move bucking seasonl protein trends. Prices for ground products were firm. Case ready ground product prices also appeared to be stable.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -	(\$/Cwt)	
Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	26,544 900.00- 1,450.00	1385.92
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	1,890 900.00- 1,425.00	1101.80
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	78,047 595.00- 725.00	597.39
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	5,565 595.00- 725.00	642.61
Top Round Fresh	1,350 590.00- 590.00	590.00
Top Round Frozen	3,292 620.00- 670.00	668.25
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,085 635.00- 695.00	652.04
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	1,838 615.00- 695.00	661.95
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,260 640.00- 663.00	650.19
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	937 630.00- 695.00	662.47
Eye of Round Fresh	1,091 622.00- 622.00	622.00
Eye of Round Frozen	84 640.00- 750.00	679.29
Strip Loin Fresh	22,994 850.00- 1,375.00	1,297.07
Strip Loin Frozen	2,045 825.00- 1,000.00	905.15
Top Sirloin Fresh	6,127 625.00- 925.00	791.31
Top Sirloin Frozen	946 625.00- 1,010.00	675.79
Tenderloin Fresh	14,177 1,500.00- 2,595.00	2,071.70

Tenderloin Frozen	11,717	1,500.00-	1,700.00	1,510.81
Hearts	4,432	149.00-	212.00	185.58
Livers	11,027	120.00-	157.00	130.61
Tongues	529	280.00-	280.00	280.00

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	35,398	530.00-	690.00	593.98
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	28,400	535.00-	660.00	560.28
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	2,304	520.00-	625.00	575.00

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	130,611	525.00-	640.00	602.47
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	1,758	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	21,248	567.00-	567.00	567.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	51,930	500.00-	630.00	580.78
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,730	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	72,324	500.00-	661.00	623.87

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	462,987	595.00- 675.00	640.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,356	560.00- 600.00	580.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,632	725.00- 825.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	1,440	560.00- 610.00	590.00

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		20.59- 25.50	
Filet Mignon		29.99- 49.88	
New York Strip		19.59- 25.79	
Flat Iron		13.59 20.00	
Flank Steak		8.16- 14.78	
Skirt Steak		11.61- 15.50	
Chuck Roast		8.99- 12.66	
Eye of Round Roast		9.84- 12.49	
Top Sirloin		9.05- 13.00	
Sirloin Tip		9.33- 12.38	
Brisket		9.59- 11.25	
Ribs		8.00- 9.59	
Prime Rib		22.95- 29.04	
Tenderloin		29.99- 31.95	
Stew Meat		8.99- 14.00	
Jerky		37.60- 41.38	
Hearts		8.96- 9.59	
Tongues		6.63- 8.09	
Livers		6.88- 13.90	

Hot Dogs	10.60-	14.95
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.49-	12.25
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.59-	13.95

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Oct. 2014	Oct. 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	52,250	50,045	387,132	334,441
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)		1,984	220	9,480

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS) For the Month of October

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for October:	Head
	Bison	:	
W/E 10/04/14	993	:Slaughter Male	510
W/E 10/11/14	950	:Slaughter Female	852
W/E 10/18/1	842	:Feeder Male	543
W/E 10/25/14	974	:Feeder Female	417
		:Total	2322
Total	3,759	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to September 's report: The avg price paid for prime bulls and heifers was similar however prices for aged cows worked higher while carcass prices slid lower for aged bulls. The bottom side of the price range was similar while the top side was weaker for all bison.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,843	397.00-	410.00	407.70
Young Heifers **	1,432	380.00-	400.00	392.73
Aged Bulls **	24	298.00-	330.00	323.96
Aged Cows **	263	285.00-	330.00	296.63
Total	3,562			

Bison Meat: Compared to September's report: Bison meat prices, both fresh and frozen, slid lower as grilling season came to an end. In addition the price was weaker for case ready product, regardless of whether the product was whole muscle cuts or ground bison.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	37,903	1,000.00-	1,650.00	1377.18
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	2,779	1,000.00-	1,425.00	1212.08
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	95,295	500.00-	660.00	594.19
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	12,219	610.00-	675.00	633.26
Top Round Fresh	2,523	586.00-	650.00	587.75
Top Round Frozen	4,743	640.00-	750.00	678.35
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,147	540.00-	850.00	546.00

Peeled Knuckle Frozen	9,714	620.00-	695.00	655.33
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,489	575.00-	675.00	611.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,352	540.00-	695.00	626.93
Eye of Round Fresh	1,378	676.00-	676.00	676.00
Eye of Round Frozen	1,027	655.00-	750.00	726.97
Strip Loin Fresh	21,321	825.00-	1,650.00	1,305.90
Strip Loin Frozen	2,224	825.00-	950.00	875.07
Top Sirloin Fresh	7,834	600.00-	825.00	779.01
Top Sirloin Frozen	2,228	710.00-	780.00	760.00
Tenderloin Fresh	16,773	1,500.00-	2,595.00	2,142.25
Tenderloin Frozen	3,558	1,450.00-	1,800.00	1,653.70

Hearts	4,432	144.00-	214.00	186.44
Livers	11,027	110.00-	152.00	125.61
Tongues	529	275.00-	275.00	275.00

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	46,640	400.00-	605.00	551.81
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	41,316	550.00-	600.00	578.29
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	2,869	518.00-	625.00	549.84

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	77,832	525.00-	640.00	572.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	91,769	626.00-	700.00	627.59
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	279,052	500.00-	630.00	568.12
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,240	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	96,403	500.00-	673.00	621.76

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	518,826	575.00- 675.00	642.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	5,756	575.00- 590.00	585.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,936	725.00- 850.00	790.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	3,060	580.00- 602.00	595.00

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		20.59- 32.00	25.62
Filet Mignon		29.99- 57.60	44.39
New York Strip		19.59- 32.10	26.15
Flat Iron		13.59- 20.00	18.14
Flank Steak		8.17- 16.57	15.41
Skirt Steak		11.62- 13.50	12.56
Chuck Roast		8.99- 12.55	11.31
Eye of Round Roast		10.99- 11.75	11.41
Top Sirloin		13.20- 20.00	17.63
Sirloin Tip		9.33- 13.15	10.97
Brisket		9.50- 11.00	10.25
Ribs		7.40- 9.98	8.58
Prime Rib		22.95- 35.11	30.02
Tenderloin		29.95- 48.00	34.48
Stew Meat		8.99- 14.00	11.84
Jerky		17.90- 48.25	34.98
Hearts		8.09- 12.00	10.09
Tongues		7.73- 9.95	8.59
Livers		7.59- 11.45	8.48

Hot Dogs	12.72-	15.98	14.00
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.49-	14.39	10.93
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.59-	14.98	11.70

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Sep. 2014	Sep. 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	42,549	15,653	334,882	284,396
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			220	7,496

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
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Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for September:	Head
W/E 9/06/14	717	:	
W/E 9/13/14	1100	:Slaughter Male	618
W/E 9/20/14	1049	:Slaughter Female	660
W/E 9/27/14	860	:Feeder Male	42
		:Feeder Female	246
		:Total	1566
Total	3,726	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to August's report: Prices for bison carcasses all worked higher except for aged cows that slid slightly lower for the month

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 Top side prices on all ages and genders were stronger except for aged cows that were weaker.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd-	Price Range	Wghtd Avg --	
Young Bulls **	1,770	398.00- 415.00	405.63	
Young Heifers **	1,694	385.00- 400.00	393.40	
Aged Bulls **	14	329.00- 350.00	338.00	
Aged Cows **	33	285.00- 285.00	285.00	
Total	3,511			

 Bison Meat: Compared to August's report: Prices for both fresh and

frozen bison meats were higher as the limited availability of market animals translates into a tighter meat supply. Ground bison prices were strong as consumer preference for ground products continues.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	31,323	1,150.00-	1,650.00	1395.08
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,274	1,100.00-	1,450.00	1260.71
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	74,463	590.00-	675.00	596.59
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	10,399	585.00-	675.00	625.10
Top Round Fresh	3,216	635.00-	635.00	635.00
Top Round Frozen	6,182	630.00-	750.00	688.10
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,608	540.00-	850.00	646.83
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	5,947	620.00-	695.00	653.70
Flats, Outside Round Fresh				
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	4,866	610.00-	750.00	693.01
Eye of Round Fresh	3,939	643.00-	645.00	644.63
Eye of Round Frozen	1,077	660.00-	750.00	713.15
Strip Loin Fresh	20,840	850.00-	1,650.00	1,328.31
Strip Loin Frozen	2,718	850.00-	1,000.00	943.26
Top Sirloin Fresh	7,666	600.00-	825.00	804.32
Top Sirloin Frozen	589	715.00-	765.00	734.75
Tenderloin Fresh	18,585	1,500.00-	2,595.00	1,979.33
Tenderloin Frozen	4,137	1,450.00-	2,000.00	1,598.36
Hearts	2,716	150.00-	260.00	226.95
Livers	9,063	120.00-	130.00	128.33
Tongues	1,152	280.00-	280.00	280.00
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	37,412	590.00-	613.00	592.59
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	31,240	590.00-	660.00	590.36
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	2,931	530.00-	595.00	563.07
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	131,651	571.00-	626.00	601.67
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	3,466	590.00-	660.00	645.18
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	137,031	571.00-	605.00	585.01
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,884	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	112,397	585.00-	671.00	627.18
GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	511,281	575.00-	675.00	640.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	2,485	585.00-	640.00	600.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,240	725.00-	850.00	796.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	8,910	590.00-	650.00	610.00
BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		18.59-	33.60	25.93
Filet Mignon		29.90-	57.60	40.19
New York Strip		16.59-	33.60	24.48
Flat Iron		15.16	20.00	18.32
Flank Steak		9.80-	20.00	13.71
Skirt Steak		11.95-	15.50	13.72
Chuck Roast		9.59-	13.75	10.63

Eye of Round Roast	9.59-	12.33	11.41
Top Sirloin	8.57-	13.95	11.39
Sirloin Tip	16.00-	22.95	20.66
Brisket	8.59-	11.98	10.20
Ribs	6.00-	11.98	8.19
Prime Rib	16.13-	29.00	22.69
Tenderloin	29.95-	48.00	35.98
Stew Meat	8.59-	12.00	11.22
Jerky	39.75-	71.60	48.14

Hearts	5.95-	7.59	6.77
Tongues	6.63-	7.59	7.24
Livers	6.50-	6.95	6.73

Hot Dogs	10.00-	14.95	12.49
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	7.99-	12.00	9.59
Ground Bison (Patties)	7.99-	12.50	10.09

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Aug. 2014	Aug. 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	25,794	13,448	292,333	268,964
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			220	7,496

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of July

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for July:	Head
W/E 7/05/14	753	:	
W/E 7/12/14	943	:Slaughter Male	824
W/E 7/19/14	1086	:Slaughter Female	543
W/E 7/26/14	1026	:Feeder Male	
`		:Feeder Female	
Total	3,808	:Total	1367
		:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to June's report: Prices for prime bulls and hiefers as well as aged bulls edged higher while aged cow prices slid lower. The number and distribution of animals harvested in July mirrored the numbers

reported for the month of June.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,902	390.00-	400.00	397.58
Young Heifers **	1,252	350.00-	395.00	385.95
Aged Bulls **	80	290.00-	329.00	328.09
Aged Cows **	201	285.00-	310.00	287.96
Total	3,435			

Bison Meat: Compared to June's report: Prices for fresh middle and end meats were higher while frozen bison meat prices slid lower. Additionally prices were lower for most grinds, however prices continued to increase for case ready ground bison and bison patties.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	34,601	1,200.00-	1,650.00	1381.63
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	8,184	1,200.00-	1,425.00	1277.30
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	88,038	525.00-	695.00	592.95
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	10,660	585.00-	695.00	616.72
Top Round Fresh	3,112	584.00-	640.00	588.89
Top Round Frozen	8,925	625.00-	650.00	636.44
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,689	540.00-	850.00	643.24
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	2,055	620.00-	640.00	629.78
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	3,618	575.00-	675.00	614.59
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	4,891	575.00-	650.00	617.36
Eye of Round Fresh	7,978	600.00-	600.00	600.00
Eye of Round Frozen	3,190	645.00-	650.00	649.75
Strip Loin Fresh	21,310	825.00-	1,650.00	1,335.20
Strip Loin Frozen	2,914	825.00-	1,325.00	922.22
Top Sirloin Fresh	12,412	600.00-	825.00	664.39
Top Sirloin Frozen	2,403	645.00-	730.00	661.81
Tenderloin Fresh	18,321	1,700.00-	2,595.00	2,024.77
Tenderloin Frozen	4,303	1,700.00-	2,050.00	1,845.00
Hearts	5,086	150.00-	235.00	183.52
Livers	9,789	50.00-	115.00	79.02
Tongues	934	240.00-	270.00	250.00

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	72,388	535.00-	538.00	535.95
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	33,750	541.00-	570.00	550.76
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	4,240	300.00-	535.00	363.26

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	77,892	525.00-	640.00	558.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,005	575.00-	700.00	678.49
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	156,382	500.00-	630.00	571.69
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,790	725.00	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	198,756	500.00-	672.00	606.35

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	487,581	575.00-	675.00	637.00

Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,920	580.00-	610.00	605.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	4,728	600.00-	850.00	791.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	8,340	585.00-	610.00	610.00

BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT	(\$/POUND)	FROZEN		
	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd	Avg
Ribeye Steaks		15.60-	33.60	26.91
Filet Mignon		25.95-	57.60	40.17
New York Strip		15.59-	33.60	26.58
Flat Iron				
Flank Steak		11.29-	20.00	15.44
Skirt Steak		11.50-	16.50	14.33
Chuck Roast		6.99-	14.45	10.11
Eye of Round Roast		7.82-	12.80	10.31
Top Sirloin		4.43-	9.33	7.25
Sirloin Tip				
Brisket		6.74-	11.18	8.84
Ribs		7.50-	9.32	8.57
Prime Rib		14.71-	32.00	23.22
Tenderloin		22.00-	29.98	25.99
Stew Meat		8.39-	14.00	11.62
Jerky		39.75-	56.00	45.58
Hearts		4.79-	5.95	5.37
Tongues		5.29-	7.99	6.64
Livers		5.29-	6.95	6.37
Soup Bones		4.79-	8.12	6.08
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.09-	13.00	9.82
Ground Bison (Patties)		8.19-	10.60	9.67

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	June 2014	June 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	64,155	48,061	223,108	219,580
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)				7,496

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of June

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally :Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S.

Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	for June:	Head
W/E 6/07/14	1058	:Slaughter Male	761
W/E 6/14/14	1018	:Slaughter Female	724
W/E 6/21/14	1018	:Feeder Male	166
W/E 6/28/14	1229	:Feeder Female	154
		:Total	1805
Total	4,323	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to May's report: Prices for bison carcasses were all higher, regardless of age or gender. This upswing in prices reflects a season increase in demand as tourist season started in the western states and national parks.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED- (Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt) FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	2,012	390.00-	400.00	394.17
Young Heifers **	1,245	374.00-	390.00	381.65
Aged Bulls **	62	290.00-	329.00	325.69
Aged Cows **	239	285.00-	316.00	291.62
Total	3,558			

Bison Meat: Compared to May's report: Fresh bison meat prices crept higher while prices for frozen bison fell slightly as warm weather and the grilling season began. Prices for ground bison as well as patties also crept higher in moves that reflect a season demand.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	40,017	1,180.00-	1,650.00	1352.16
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,630	1,200.00-	1,425.00	1289.03
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	620,296	525.00-	642.00	572.17
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	6,470	585.00-	640.00	627.14
Top Round Fresh				
Top Round Frozen	4,627	610.00-	680.00	642.02
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,671	540.00-	680.00	621.43
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	5,486	610.00-	650.00	640.13
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,875	575.00-	741.00	647.72
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,810	613.00-	640.00	614.25
Eye of Round Fresh	2,117	643.00-	643.00	643.00
Eye of Round Frozen	1,000	640.00-	650.00	648.92
Strip Loin Fresh	20,838	900.00-	1,650.00	1,308.67
Strip Loin Frozen	2,922	850.00-	1,325.00	975.78
Top Sirloin Fresh	12,434	600.00-	825.00	788.35
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,744	600.00-	825.00	642.74
Tenderloin Fresh	12,843	1,800.00-	2,595.00	2,166.05
Tenderloin Frozen	3,823	1,700.00-	1,950.00	1,773.42
Hearts	5,086	130.00-	253.00	169.18
Livers	9,789	110.00-	162.00	121.00
Tongues	934	230.00-	300.00	265.00
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	68,417	400.00-	600.00	550.02
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	62,520	540.00-	580.00	555.00
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	11,998	247.00-	520.00	418.36

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	133,382	525.00-	640.00	592.21
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,364	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	127,230	500.00-	636.00	578.98
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,630	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	82,794	500.00-	680.00	641.69

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	--
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	489,363	500.00-	630.00	626.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	59,824	565.00-	585.00	575.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,416	600.00-	750.00	714.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	9,240	575.00-	605.00	600.00

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg	--
Ribeye Steaks		15.59-	33.60	26.91
Filet Mignon		25.95-	57.60	40.17
New York Strip		15.59-	33.60	26.58
Flat Iron				
Flank Steak		11.29-	20.00	15.44
Skirt Steak		11.50-	16.50	14.33
Chuck Roast		6.99-	14.45	10.11
Eye of Round Roast		7.82-	12.80	10.31
Top Sirloin		4.43-	9.33	7.25
Sirloin Tip				
Brisket		6.74-	11.18	8.84
Ribs		7.50-	9.32	8.57
Prime Rib		14.71-	32.00	23.22
Tenderloin		22.00-	29.98	25.99
Stew Meat		8.39-	14.00	11.62
Jerky		39.75-	56.00	45.58
Hearts		4.79-	5.95	5.37
Tongues		5.29-	7.99	6.64
Livers		5.29-	6.95	6.37
Soup Bones		4.79-	8.12	6.08
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)		8.09-	13.00	9.82
Ground Bison (Patties)		8.19-	10.60	9.67

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	May 2014	May 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	38,801	19,401	158,953	171,520
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	0	6,834	0	7,496

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of May

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for May:	Head
W/E 5/03/14	887	:Slaughter Male	527
W/E 5/10/14	1083	:Slaughter Female	513
W/E 5/17/14	1190	:Feeder Male	130
W/E 5/24/14	1251	:Feeder Female	140
		:Total	1310
Total	4,411	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to April's report: Prices were higher on all bison carcasses regardless of gender or age. The top side of prices for all bison carcasses continued to creep higher. Notably higher prices on aged bison was seen as aged bison supply product for both grinds and patties.

CLASS	-----Hd-----	Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	2,222	385.00- 397.00	390.49
Young Heifers **	1,100	366.00- 390.00	373.95
Aged Bulls **	50	280.00- 329.00	324.26
Aged Cows **	285	280.00- 319.00	287.48
Total	3,657		

Bison Meat: Compared to April's report: Prices were uneven as end meats brought slightly higher money while middle meats prices slipped lower. There price movements may have reflected a slight increase in the availability of bison meats. Grinds and patties followed the same pattern.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale -	(\$/Cwt)			
-----Lbs-----	Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg --		
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	38,967 1,303.00- 1,450.00	1377.13		
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,939 899.00- 1,505.00	1332.18		
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	74,720 569.00- 652.00	587.61		
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	10,534 610.00- 760.00	612.44		
Top Round Fresh	3,878 569.00- 652.00	584.55		
Top Round Frozen	4,003 625.00- 650.00	639.19		
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	6,590 562.00- 625.00	598.05		
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,111 625.00- 640.00	638.04		
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	492 668.00- 668.00	668.00		
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	4,563 575.00- 650.00	623.29		
Eye of Round Fresh	1,549 702.00- 702.00	702.00		
Eye of Round Frozen	1,754 640.00- 650.00	648.42		
Strip Loin Fresh	23,496 975.00- 1,396.00	1,343.93		
Strip Loin Frozen	3,222 895.00- 1,350.00	960.74		
Top Sirloin Fresh	13,606 655.00- 815.00	759.96		
Top Sirloin Frozen	2,096 650.00- 1,010.00	657.73		
Tenderloin Fresh	14,072 1,891.00- 2,595.00	1,934.38		

Tenderloin Frozen	3,055	1,920.00-	2,495.00	1,960.69
Hearts	2,830	147.00-	245.00	184.12
Livers	6,574	108.00-	236.00	157.07
Tongues	2,068	260.00-	590.00	327.52

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	23,895	518.00-	545.00	532.24
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	36,860	540.00-	660.00	540.26
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	13,437	425.00-	520.00	482.69

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	151,711	552.00-	619.00	579.99
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	12,144	625.00-	711.00	687.73
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	123,983	555.00-	620.00	565.03
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,321	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	123,465	560.00-	682.00	610.82

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	558,777	616.00-	616.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	10,265	580.00-	580.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	5,072	734.00-	734.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	2,880	590.00-	590.00

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks			
Filet Mignon		13.98-	32.00
New York Strip		23.96-	57.00
Flat Iron		12.98-	20.00
Flank Steak		12.25-	23.98
Skirt Steak		11.50-	20.00
Chuck Roast		7.99-	14.45
Eye of Round Roast		6.87-	12.33
Top Sirloin		4.48-	12.33
Sirloin Tip		5.05-	11.88
Brisket		5.99-	14.00
Ribs		7.48-	9.98
Prime Rib		20.95-	29.41
Tenderloin		27.38-	48.50
Stew Meat		7.28-	14.00
Jerky		24.39-	37.60
Hearts		5.58-	5.95
Tongues		4.38-	9.95
Soup Bones		3.28-	7.50

Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	6.88-	13.00	8.83
Ground Bison (Patties)	7.18-	15.00	10.65

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

Apr 2014	Apr 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
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Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	52,470	51,809	120,152	152,780
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	0	0		
	0	441		

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS) For the Month of April

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for April:	Head
	Bison	:	
W/E 4/05/14	918	:Slaughter Male	406
W/E 4/12/14	960	:Slaughter Female	370
W/E 4/19/14	938	:Feeder Male	314
W/E 4/26/14	1019	:Feeder Female	196
		:Total	1286
Total	3,835	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to March's report: Prices were steady for bison carcasses regardless of age or gender. While the top side of prices for heifers cows fell, the weighted average for both remained firm. Overall, bison carcass prices indicate a continued demand for bison meats.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----		Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	2,305	388.00-	395.00	389.40
Young Heifers **	751	366.00-	385.00	370.66
Aged Bulls **	18	270.00-	310.00	301.67
Aged Cows **	346	275.00-	285.00	275.49
Total	3,420			

Bison Meat: Compared to March's report: Prices for grainds and patties edged higher as grilling season edged lower. While prices slid lower for both ribeyes and tenderloins, prices for other middle meats climbed higher. Prices for frozen bison meats compared to fresh cuts appeared to be weaker.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----		Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	38,610	1,250.00-	1,650.00	1388.35
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	2,930	999.00-	1,350.00	1300.87
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	91,477	500.00-	695.00	574.54
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	7,268	590.00-	625.00	619.38

Top Round Fresh	2,803	582.00-	630.00	583.26
Top Round Frozen	3,609	625.00-	655.00	627.85
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	5,744	540.00-	850.00	605.16
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	3,708	615.00-	630.00	625.00
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,137	540.00-	625.00	546.73
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,069	620.00-	620.00	620.00
Eye of Round Fresh	4,040	575.00-	649.00	606.93
Eye of Round Frozen	1,154	631.00-	650.00	649.12
Strip Loin Fresh	23,496	800.00-	1,950.00	1,326.20
Strip Loin Frozen	2,112	800.00-	1,375.00	927.57
Top Sirloin Fresh	11,744	600.00-	833.00	757.48
Top Sirloin Frozen	597	610.00-	645.00	634.85
Tenderloin Fresh	19,902	1,700.00-	2,595.00	2,076.58
Tenderloin Frozen	1,528	1,699.00-	2,200.00	1,870.13

Hearts	2,830	141.00-	230.00	
Livers	6,574	110.00-	130.00	
Tongues	2,068	138.00-	425.00	

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	31,750	400.00-	600.00	524.98
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	29,545	515.00-	565.00	536.01
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	8,643	465.00-	515.00	488.88

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	144,866	525.00-	640.00	592.54
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	11,399	700.00-	721.00	716.76
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	135,049	500.00-	630.00	559.82
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,328	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	106,718	500.00-	677.00	609.21

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	505,617	575.00- 675.00	614.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,608	550.00- 595.00	575.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,960	600.00- 750.00	735.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	1,200	555.00- 610.00	585.00

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		21.75- 32.00	
Filet Mignon		29.95- 57.69	
New York Strip		15.99- 33.92	
Flat Iron		18.95- 20.00	
Flank Steak		13.90- 24.50	
Skirt Steak		11.50- 20.00	
Chuck Roast		6.99- 12.33	
Eye of Round Roast		7.99- 12.50	
Top Sirloin		8.33- 11.10	
Sirloin Tip		10.41- 18.95	
Brisket		5.77- 8.59	
Ribs			
Prime Rib		20.95- 34.32	
Tenderloin		29.99- 48.50	
Stew Meat		8.39- 13.50	
Jerky		39.75- 41.39	

Hearts	5.29-	6.04
Tongues	6.04-	6.59
Soup Bones		

Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	7.50-	12.25
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.29-	12.95

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Mar 2014	Mar 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	20,723	43,652	67,682	100,310
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)				441

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of March

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for March:	Head
W/E 3/01/14	1015	:	
W/E 3/08/14	1067	:Slaughter Male	615
W/E 3/15/14	1134	:Slaughter Female	973
W/E 3/22/14	1218	:Feeder Male	
		:Feeder Female	
		:Total	1588
Total	4,434	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to February's report: The supply of feeder bison from Canada did not exist while slaughter animals were at normal levels. Top pices held firm for slaughter animals regardless of gender and weighted averages edged higher as the availability of slaughter animals appeared to be limited.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----		-----Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	2,219	385.00-	396.00	388.85
Young Heifers **	1,204	366.00-	392.00	373.14
Aged Bulls **	43	270.00-	308.00	299.63
Aged Cows **	416	265.00-	306.00	275.53
Total	3,882			

 Bison Meat: Compared to February's report: Prices for bison meat, fresh or frozen, were similar to prices reported for February. This trend

was observed for both whole muscle cuts and grinds. The stabilization of prices may reflect that bison meat has hit a top in the current environment.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	33,034	1,250.00-	1,650.00	1393.23
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,280	1,050.00-	1,425.00	1305.83
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	77,063	500.00-	636.00	585.24
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	12,186	585.00-	725.00	628.13
Top Round Fresh	3,084	589.00-	630.00	590.40
Top Round Frozen	4,390	595.00-	655.00	617.39
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	3,989	540.00-	850.00	616.51
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,503	610.00-	658.00	624.68
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,172	575.00-	719.00	638.66
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,508	610.00-	625.00	612.92
Eye of Round Fresh	976	629.00-	629.00	629.00
Eye of Round Frozen	656	610.00-	629.00	615.85
Strip Loin Fresh	22,493	605.00-	1,650.00	1,298.16
Strip Loin Frozen	2,576	770.00-	1,375.00	840.96
Top Sirloin Fresh	13,215	600.00-	815.00	747.57
Top Sirloin Frozen	7,974	590.00-	815.00	697.70
Tenderloin Fresh	13,423	1,700.00-	2,595.00	2,154.11
Tenderloin Frozen	1,630	1,650.00-	2,200.00	1,993.98
Hearts	1,830	143.00-	230.00	159.40
Livers	5,754	71.00-	130.00	117.79
Tongues	1,346	143.00-	425.00	165.49
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	15,391	515.00-	600.00	523.13
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	27,471	510.00-	560.00	533.30
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	10,618	465.00-	510.00	497.55
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	144,151	525.00-	640.00	587.90
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	67,479	628.00-	700.00	629.90
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	131,194	500.00-	630.00	556.67
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,151	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	128,583	520.00-	650.00	594.61
GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	516,486	575.00-	675.00	613.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,796	545.00-	595.00	575.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,288	600.00-	750.00	713.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	6,930	550.00-	605.00	580.00
BISON MEAT - GRASS FED - DIRECT (\$/POUND) FROZEN				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye Steaks		21.75-	32.00	
Filet Mignon		29.95-	57.69	
New York Strip		15.99-	33.92	
Flat Iron		18.95-	20.00	
Flank Steak		13.90-	24.50	
Skirt Steak		11.50-	20.00	
Chuck Roast		6.99-	12.33	
Eye of Round Roast		7.99-	12.50	

Top Sirloin	8.33-	11.10
Sirloin Tip	10.41-	18.95
Brisket	5.77-	8.59
Ribs		
Prime Rib	20.95-	34.32
Tenderloin	29.99-	48.50
Stew Meat	8.39-	13.50
Jerky	39.75-	41.39

Hearts	5.29-	6.04
Tongues	6.04-	6.59
Soup Bones		

Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	7.50-	12.25
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.29-	12.95

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Feb 2014	Feb 2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	19,842	31,526	46,858	56,659
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)				441

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of February

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for February:	Head
W/E 2/01/14	1010	:Slaughter Male	598
W/E 2/08/14	995	:Slaughter Female	486
W/E 2/15/14	1012	:Feeder Male	64
W/E 2/22/14	852	:Feeder Female	78
		:Total	1226
Total	3,869	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

 Bison Carcasses: Compared to January's report: Prices were similar for both prime and aged animals, regardless of gender. However, imports of live animals from Canada dropped 30% in February while the actual number bison harvested was lower, but only by 7 per cent.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis			
CLASS -----Hd-	-----Price Range-----	Wghtd Avg --	
Young Bulls **	1,772 375.00-	399.00	388.55

Young Heifers **	1,039	366.00-	380.00	367.87
Aged Bulls **	123	270.00-	300.00	296.54
Aged Cows **	375	265.00-	315.00	275.15
Total	3,309			

Bison Meat: Compared to January's report: Prices for fresh bison cuts were slightly higher while frozen bison meat prices slid slightly lower, regardless if the cuts were steaks or roasts. While trim prices trended lower, prices for patties were unevenly steady.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	33,737	1,250.00-	1,650.00	1354.65
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,367	1,270.00-	1,425.00	1294.23
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	83,114	500.00-	625.00	587.93
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	10,589	585.00-	645.00	623.41
Top Round Fresh	2,533	611.00-	611.00	611.00
Top Round Frozen	4,078	585.00-	660.00	621.46
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,267	540.00-	850.00	616.88
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	2,332	610.00-	630.00	613.88
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	364	670.00-	670.00	670.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,323	575.00-	625.00	604.70
Eye of Round Fresh	1,455	610.00-	625.00	621.00
Eye of Round Frozen	596	620.00-	625.00	623.61
Strip Loin Fresh	24,096	775.00-	1,650.00	1,254.46
Strip Loin Frozen	2,328	755.00-	1,425.00	1,000.87
Top Sirloin Fresh	7,509	600.00-	825.00	798.08
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,406	590.00-	640.00	633.81
Tenderloin Fresh	13,981	1,700.00-	2,595.00	2,128.78
Tenderloin Frozen	2,939	1,650.00-	2,100.00	1,984.09
Hearts		143.00-	230.00	
Livers		85.00-	135.00	
Tongues		141.00-	425.00	
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	27,338	400.00-	600.00	436.31
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	18,184	510.00-	560.00	526.91
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	8,803	242.00-	505.00	456.77

Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	84,464	525.00-	640.00	572.87
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	55,032	624.00-	624.00	624.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	108,283	500.00-	630.00	557.06
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,217	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	97,454	500.00-	650.00	569.93

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	506,709	575.00-	675.00	611.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,486	540.00-	590.00	575.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,664	600.00-	750.00	710.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	1,350	540.00-	600.00	580.00

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

-----Lbs	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye Steaks	15.00-	29.40
Filet Mignon	29.95-	55.50
New York Strip	14.00-	28.42
Flat Iron	17.95-	20.00
Flank Steak	11.00-	20.00
Skirt Steak	11.50-	12.50
Chuck Roast	8.66-	14.14
Eye of Round Roast	11.75-	16.85
Top Sirloin	18.95-	24.15
Sirloin Tip	4.15-	8.99
Brisket	6.73-	11.19
Ribs	7.50-	9.99
Prime Rib	14.71-	20.95
Tenderloin	18.00-	29.95
Stew Meat	10.95-	11.38
Jerky	39.80-	41.39
Hearts	4.00-	5.95
Livers	4.95-	6.88
Soup Bones	4.99-	8.12

Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	7.50-	9.99
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.00-	11.95

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Jan 2014	Jan2013	2014 YTD	2013 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	25,133	27,117	25,133	27,117
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	441	0	441	0

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of January

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for January:	Head
W/E 1/04/14	670	:Slaughter Male	436
W/E 1/11/14	1156	:Slaughter Female	602
W/E 1/18/14	1230	:Feeder Male	313
W/E 1/25/14	1087	:Feeder Female	237

		:Total	1588
Total	4,143	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to December's report: Prices were steady for prime bison, regardless of gender. The aged bull price was \$10.00 per hundredweight higher while the aged cow prices were steady with last month's report. Slaughter numbers were 6% above December's numbers.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,742	385.00-	398.00	387.22
Young Heifers **	1,504	366.00-	389.00	371.42
Aged Bulls **	51	270.00-	300.00	297.55
Aged Cows **	633	265.00-	304.00	271.73
Total	3,930			

Bison Meat: Compared to December's report: Fresh bison middle meat prices were higher while frozen middle meats were slightly lower. Prices for end meats were unevenly steady. Prices for ground bison were firm, however prices slid low for ground bison patties.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	30,770	1,200.00-	1,650.00	1347.83
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,430	1,095.00-	1,345.00	1290.47
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	91,824	500.00-	671.00	569.28
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	12,298	580.00-	645.00	609.53
Top Round Fresh	2,108	560.00-	640.00	566.83
Top Round Frozen	5,745	585.00-	655.00	618.33
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	6,755	540.00-	850.00	607.35
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,170	575.00-	630.00	618.46
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,903	575.00-	625.00	597.25
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	4,044	610.00-	625.00	620.88
Eye of Round Fresh	1,689	592.00-	592.00	592.00
Eye of Round Frozen	1,002	620.00-	625.00	624.49
Strip Loin Fresh	21,979	775.00-	1,650.00	1,257.31
Strip Loin Frozen	3,283	760.00-	995.00	820.62
Top Sirloin Fresh	9,387	600.00-	919.00	774.49
Top Sirloin Frozen	953	590.00-	1,010.00	655.50
Tenderloin Fresh	16,063	1,700.00-	2,595.00	2,019.44
Tenderloin Frozen	1,218	1,950.00-	2,495.00	2,023.71
Hearts		146.00-	203.00	
Livers		85.00-	140.00	
Tongues		225.00-	428.00	
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	66,771	450.00-	600.00	543.19
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	31,782	510.00-	560.00	534.53
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	9,083	505.00-	525.00	519.98
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	152,170	525.00-	633.00	595.05
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	6,018	629.00-	700.00	664.32
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	133,883	500.00-	630.00	560.37
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,754	725.00-	725.00	725.00

Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	85,449	500.00-	650.00	559.21

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	555,333	575.00-	610.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	6,666	535.00-	565.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,392	600.00-	712.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	2,610	540.00-	575.00

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Ribeye Steaks		19.35-	29.00
Filet Mignon		29.95-	55.60
New York Strip		13.50-	32.80
Flat Iron		12.25-	19.00
Flank Steak		12.25-	14.00
Skirt Steak		10.10-	14.50
Chuck Roast		11.00-	14.45
Eye of Round Roast		10.25-	12.75
Top Sirloin		10.25-	21.78
Sirloin Tip		9.00-	16.00
Brisket		9.00-	13.45
Ribs		8.00-	9.22
Prime Rib		17.16-	28.85
Tenderloin		29.95-	38.10
Stew Meat		9.00-	13.50
Jerky		16.25-	24.90
Hearts		4.00-	5.95
Livers		4.00-	6.87
Soup Bones		6.50-	7.89

Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	8.63-	12.95
Ground Bison (Patties)	8.90-	11.95

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Dec 2013	Dec 2012	2013 YTD	2012 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	16,535	37,439	361,338	379,856
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			9,700	

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Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for December:	Head
	Bison	:	
W/E 12/07/13	1040	:Slaughter Male	314
W/E 12/14/13	1105	:Slaughter Female	471
W/E 12/21/13	1160	:Feeder Male	210
W/E 12/28/13	646	:Feeder Female	80
		:Total	1075
Total	3,951	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to November's report: Prices were similar for prime bulls and heifers as the price range appeared to be constant for these animals. While prices slid lower for aged bulls, aged cow prices edged higher as the supply of cull cows began to be limited.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----		-----Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	1,631	385.00-	397.00	388.62
Young Heifers **	1,769	366.00-	390.00	370.20
Aged Bulls **	96	270.00-	300.00	278.85
Aged Cows **	185	265.00-	290.00	274.48
Total	3,681			

Bison Meat: Compared to November's report: Bison steak prices moved higher in association with the end of the year holidays. Round prices were fractionally lower. Bison trimmings were slightly lower while patty prices were slightly higher, continuing to show their popularity.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----		-----Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	34,283	1,250.00-	1,650.00	1289.53
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,469	1,275.00-	1,475.00	1327.63
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	68,956	500.00-	660.00	587.41
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	7,468	560.00-	885.00	598.19
Top Round Fresh	3,639	580.00-	580.00	580.00
Top Round Frozen	4,710	585.00-	955.00	608.75
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	3,214	540.00-	850.00	612.00
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	3,154	575.00-	610.00	593.47
Flats, Outside Round Fresh				
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,323	575.00-	750.00	628.40
Eye of Round Fresh	391	627.00-	627.00	627.00
Eye of Round Frozen	445	605.00-	640.00	616.06
Strip Loin Fresh	20,937	900.00-	1,650.00	1,323.00
Strip Loin Frozen	2,479	875.00-	1,375.00	961.64
Top Sirloin Fresh	6,848	600.00-	860.00	807.63
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,886	600.00-	791.00	640.93
Tenderloin Fresh	22,288	1,700.00-	2,595.00	1,910.50
Tenderloin Frozen	2,774	1,900.00-	2,244.00	2,062.64

BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----		-----Wghtd Avg --
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	60,261	450.00-	600.00	544.22
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	24,036	505.00-	540.00	525.13
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh				

Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	4,107	470.00-	510.00	490.45
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GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	113,274	525.00- 640.00	585.71
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	15,259	678.00- 700.00	681.54
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	7,216	586.00- 586.00	586.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	83,779	505.00- 630.00	561.77
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,144	725.00- 725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	444	636.00- 636.00	636.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	47,769	500.00- 687.00	624.70

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	465,528	575.00- 675.00	608.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,506	560.00- 590.00	580.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,040	600.00- 750.00	719.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	1,000	565.00- 595.00	585.00

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Nov 2013	Nov 2012	2013 YTD	2012 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	10,362	25,353	344,803	342,598
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			9,480	

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

Source: USDA Market News Service, Des Moines, IA

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of October

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for October:	Head
W/E 10/05/13	890	:Slaughter Male	410
W/E 10/12/13	872	:Slaughter Female	389
W/E 10/19/13	955	:Feeder Male	303
W/E 10/26/13	908	:Feeder Female	22
		:Total	1124
Total	3,625	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to September's report: The wtd avg prices were similar for all carcasses regardless of age or gender. However, prices were on both sides of the price range for young heifers, and significantly lower on the high side of the price range for aged cows.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED- (Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt) FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --	
Young Bulls **	1,525	386.00- 396.00	389.73	
Young Heifers **	1,995	366.00- 391.00	371.10	
Aged Bulls **	88	270.00- 300.00	284.94	
Aged Cows **	169	265.00- 310.00	272.84	
Total	3,777			

Bison Meat: Compared to September's report: Prices trended lower for for both fresh and frozen products. Slightly lower prices were seen for both middle and end meats. However, prices for trim, grinds and patties were similar to the previous month.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --	
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	35,333	1,250.00- 1,650.00	1331.65	
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,366	1,200.00- 1,425.00	1286.71	
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	71,214	500.00- 653.00	552.14	
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	24,693	555.00- 775.00	607.92	
Top Round Fresh	3,486	586.00- 640.00	587.05	
Top Round Frozen	4,624	585.00- 635.00	610.24	
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,988	540.00- 850.00	604.44	
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	5,640	575.00- 640.00	611.78	
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,510	575.00- 725.00	579.22	
Flats, Outside Round Frozen				
Eye of Round Fresh	1,663	725.00- 725.00	725.00	
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	23,675	850.00- 1,650.00	1,243.66	
Strip Loin Frozen	4,242	850.00- 1,325.00	932.89	
Top Sirloin Fresh	14,260	600.00- 846.00	800.88	
Top Sirloin Frozen	2,571	610.00- 776.00	646.94	
Tenderloin Fresh	20,201	1,700.00- 2,595.00	1,912.16	

Tenderloin Frozen	3,058	1,800.00-	2,100.00	1,970.00
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BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	25,595	450.00- 600.00	527.55
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	47,550	530.00- 560.00	546.18
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh			
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	10,100	410.00- 515.00	504.28

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	134,618	525.00- 635.00	591.99
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,500	635.00- 635.00	635.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	3,600	598.00- 598.00	598.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	106,493	500.00- 620.00	560.67
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	77,541	500.00- 650.00	567.33

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	495,699	575.00- 675.00	616.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	10,500	565.00- 590.00	570.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	5,856	600.00- 750.00	705.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	1,685	570.00- 595.00	575.00

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

Sep 2013	Sep 2012	2013 YTD	2012 YTD
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Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs	17,196	17,417	284,396	284,176
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			29,182	

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of September

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for September:	Head
W/E 9/05/13	NA	:Slaughter Male	NA
W/E 9/12/13	NA	:Slaughter Female	NA
W/E 9/19/13	NA	:Feeder Male	NA
W/E 9/26/13	NA	:Feeder Female	NA
		:Total	
Total		:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to August's report: Prices and numbers for bison carcasses are not comparable due to the USDA temporary shutdown and limited bison reporting due to the change in scheduled reporting.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,996	385.00-	396.00	388.46
Young Heifers **	1,041	340.00-	389.00	374.41
Aged Bulls **	24	270.00-	298.00	282.17
Aged Cows **	78	265.00-	350.00	268.85
Total	3,139			

Bison Meat: Compared to August's report: Prices and pounds for bison meat are not comparable due to the USDA temporary shutdown and limited bison reporting due to the change in scheduled reporting.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	30,925	1,300.00-	1,650.00	1355.10
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	2,280	1,300.00-	1,400.00	1339.97
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	56,771	500.00-	650.00	565.94
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	21,287	560.00-	775.00	616.46
Top Round Fresh	3,388	588.00-	588.00	588.00
Top Round Frozen	4,219	585.00-	645.00	607.36
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,516	540.00-	850.00	601.00

Peeled Knuckle Frozen	7,611	525.00-	575.00	534.90
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,334	559.00-	559.00	559.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,544	575.00-	640.00	608.47
Eye of Round Fresh	1,709	729.00-	729.00	729.00
Eye of Round Frozen	284	625.00-	635.00	634.30
Strip Loin Fresh	19,319	875.00-	1,650.00	1,278.48
Strip Loin Frozen	3,883	850.00-	1,325.00	919.21
Top Sirloin Fresh	12,057	600.00-	815.00	807.87
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,843	615.00-	1,325.00	681.59
Tenderloin Fresh	18,785	1,850.00-	2,595.00	1,930.99
Tenderloin Frozen	3,308	1,900.00-	2,100.00	2,009.38

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg --
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	9,281	465.00- 600.00	490.00
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	56,920	520.00- 557.00	539.02
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh			
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	16,489	505.00- 625.00	550.58

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg --
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	109,683	500.00- 637.00	594.35
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	6,257	635.00- 700.00	672.41
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	3,240	609.00- 609.00	609.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	102,402	520.00- 640.00	561.77
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,135	725.00- 725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	81,458	530.00- 620.00	563.08

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	435,042	575.00- 675.00	612.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	5,838	530.00- 580.00	555.00

Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	2,000	560.00-	590.00	570.00

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Aug 2013	Aug 2012	2013 YTD	2012 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	NA	NA	NA	NA
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)				

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS) For the Month of July

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for July:	Head
W/E 7/06/13	720	:	
W/E 7/13/13	955	:Slaughter Male	550
W/E 7/20/13	1130	:Slaughter Female	495
W/E 7/27/13	946	:Feeder Male	0
		:Feeder Female	0
		:Total	1045
Total	2,805	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to June's report: Prices paid for young bulls were steady while prices paid for young heifers and aged animals were lower. The price decline for bison carcasses may reflect a tight market regardless of the limit on the number of market ready bison in the near future.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt) FOB Plant Basis
 CLASS -----Hd- -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg --

Young Bulls **	2,574	378.00-	400.00	388.81
Young Heifers **	881	365.00-	395.00	371.23
Aged Bulls **	7	270.00-	300.00	288.57
Aged Cows **	335	265.00-	350.00	269.54
Total	3,797			

Bison Meat: Compared to June's report: Prices slid seasonally lower on end meats. However, prices on middle meats were not uniform in price increases. Additionally prices on grinds and patties were unevenly steady. Overall, the market prices may be topy for bison meats.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	39,731	1,307.00-	1,475.00	1355.92
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	8,320	1,325.00-	1,388.00	1329.72
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	72,756	561.00-	649.00	570.93
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	21,943	610.00-	750.00	629.81
Top Round Fresh	2,737	574.00-	630.00	575.21
Top Round Frozen	5,342	585.00-	625.00	609.57
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	5,742	575.00-	657.00	621.57
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,368	575.00-	630.00	624.04
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,819	635.00-	649.00	642.11
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,445	600.00-	611.00	606.93
Eye of Round Fresh	1,276	701.00-	701.00	701.00
Eye of Round Frozen	114	635.00-	635.00	635.00
Strip Loin Fresh	23,407	1,010.00-	1,416.00	1,334.27
Strip Loin Frozen	3,786	849.00-	1,350.00	926.27
Top Sirloin Fresh	14,304	650.00-	837.00	803.92
Top Sirloin Frozen	2,646	610.00-	1,010.00	635.32
Tenderloin Fresh	16,906	1,871.00-	2,595.00	1,988.96
Tenderloin Frozen	4,605	2,150.00-	2,330.00	2,212.34

BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	28,439	540.00-	543.00	540.67
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	38,617	535.00-	560.00	536.15
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh				
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	7,484	515.00-	560.00	536.26

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	3,240	609.00-	609.00	609.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	11,954	596.00-	700.00	614.74
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	106,976	524.00-	615.00	557.73
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,457	725.00-	725.00	725.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	137,553	524.00-	628.00	567.22

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	483,474	612.00- 632.00	613.37	
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,725	637.00- 637.00	637.00	
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,311	570.00- 570.00	570.00	
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,152	705.00- 705.00	705.00	
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	2,622	580.00- 659.00	596.63	

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	June 2013	June 2012	2013 YTD	2012 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	44,092	43,652	223,108	199,077
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	0	0	7,496	0

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of June

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for June:	
Bison			Head
W/E 6/01/13	762	:Slaughter Male	761
W/E 6/08/13	952	:Slaughter Female	586
W/E 6/15/13	911	:Feeder Male	153
W/E 6/22/13	937	:Feeder Female	112
		:Total	1612
Total	3,562	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to May's report: Prices for young bull and heifer carcasses were similar as both high and low prices remained constant. However, carcasses from aged bulls and cows worked higher as processors paid more for carcasses that would produce high quantities of grinding meats.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,956	380.00-	400.00	388.23
Young Heifers **	1,160	366.00-	395.00	374.56
Aged Bulls **	4	285.00-	300.00	296.25
Aged Cows **	203	260.00-	335.00	285.05
Total	3,323			

Bison Meat: Compared to May's report: Prices for middle meats began to move upward while prices for end meats started their seasonal decline. Prices for trim, grinds and patties were slightly lower for the month, as continued cool June temperatures dampened the grilling outlook.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	33,319	1,300.00-	1,650.00	1379.34
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	5,621	1,250.00-	1,425.00	1356.29
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	80,349	500.00-	625.00	580.87
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	16,342	570.00-	725.00	635.06
Top Round Fresh	4,262	596.00-	610.00	596.17
Top Round Frozen	5,840	585.00-	640.00	600.29
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	6,853	540.00-	850.00	623.31
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	7,292	600.00-	645.00	630.00
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,889	661.00-	661.00	661.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	2,682	610.00-	910.00	675.05
Eye of Round Fresh	965	660.00-	660.00	660.00
Eye of Round Frozen	213	635.00	635.00	635.00
Strip Loin Fresh	19,553	1,250.00-	1,650.00	1,386.07
Strip Loin Frozen	10,159	865.00-	1,225.00	1,058.13
Top Sirloin Fresh	10,735	600.00-	815.00	775.40
Top Sirloin Frozen	11,927	575.00-	1,240.00	781.49
Tenderloin Fresh	15,480	1,850.00-	2,595.00	2,061.85
Tenderloin Frozen	2,299	1,950.00-	2,495.00	2,156.67

BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	41,233	500.00-	600.00	540.29
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	61,564	500.00-	550.00	541.89
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh				
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	5,737	480.00-	578.00	512.84

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	123,306	525.00-	640.00	584.90
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,936	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	3,240	609.00-	609.00	609.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	98,154	500.00-	635.00	549.05
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,090	735.00-	735.00	735.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh	1,080	610.00-	610.00	610.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	116,894	520.00-	635.00	565.68

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				
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	558,135	575.00-	675.00	611.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen ***	6,918	530.00-	590.00	575.00***
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,464	600.00-	750.00	708.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	2,095	540.00-	595.00	585.00

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 Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	May 2013	May 2012	2013 YTD	2012 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	19,401	10,803	171,520	155,426
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	6,834		7,496	

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
 For the Month of May

 Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally :Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S.
 Inspected Plants (not necessarily for May: Head

inspected)	Bison	:	
W/E 5/04/13	849	:Slaughter Male	298
W/E 5/11/13	785	:Slaughter Female	720
W/E 5/18/13	1027	:Feeder Male	509
W/E 5/25/13	1104	:Feeder Female	230
		:Total	1757
Total	3,765	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to April's report: Prices were similar on young bulls and heifers in May compared to April. However, prices slid lower on both aged cows and bulls as ranchers finished culling their herds in preparation of adding new younger breeding stock.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --	
Young Bulls **	2,021	375.00- 400.00	388.75	
Young Heifers **	1,258	366.00- 395.00	375.62	
Aged Bulls **	47	270.00- 300.00	282.66	
Aged Cows **	504	260.00- 323.00	267.53	
Total	3,830			

Bison Meat: Compared to April's report: Prices slid lower on most middle and end meats in May compared to April. However a seasonal price increase was seen in bison meat cuts used for jerky. Additionally prices were also lower for bison grinds and patties, regardless of lean content.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --	
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	44,489	1,300.00- 1,650.00	1381.54	
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,552	1,295.00- 1,375.00	1324.61	
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	77,291	500.00- 645.00	580.91	
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	24,790	530.00- 775.00	596.09	
Top Round Fresh	2,289	580.00- 660.00	581.61	
Top Round Frozen	1,678	600.00- 640.00	619.07	
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	13,552	540.00- 850.00	643.32	
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,489	590.00- 615.00	600.00	
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,263	686.00- 686.00	686.00	
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,964	590.00- 650.00	625.00	
Eye of Round Fresh	961	625.00- 735.00	729.16	
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	27,139	750.00- 1,650.00	1,344.12	
Strip Loin Frozen	3,197	700.00- 1,225.00	800.99	
Top Sirloin Fresh	17,276	675.00- 815.00	770.32	
Top Sirloin Frozen	3,870	590.00- 775.00	621.72	
Tenderloin Fresh	19,525	1,800.00- 2,595.00	2,064.15	
Tenderloin Frozen	2,902	1,750.00- 2,150.00	2,149.61	

BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --	
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	48,304	500.00- 600.00	538.51	
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	41,360	500.00- 540.00	529.17	
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh				
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	8,556	480.00- 500.00	486.31	

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	108,111	525.00- 640.00	571.32
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	4,110	700.00-	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	130,233	513.00- 635.00	566.35
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,535	735.00-	735.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	118,038	500.00- 650.00	567.16

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	524,323	575.00- 675.00	612.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	3,880	570.00- 600.00	580.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	4,944	600.00- 750.00	705.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	1,800	575.00- 605.00	588.00

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Apr 2013	Apr 2012	2013 YTD	2012 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	51,809	45,636	152,119	144,623
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			411	

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)

For the Month of April

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for April:	Head
	Bison	:	
W/E 4/06/13	579	:Slaughter Male	413
W/E 4/13/13	894	:Slaughter Female	467
W/E 4/20/13	818	:Feeder Male	326
W/E 4/27/13	809	:Feeder Female	164
		:Total	1370
Total	3,100	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to March's report: The number of bison carcasses harvested this April compared to April 2012 was 20% higher. While prices were similar for prime bulls and heifers, the prices for aged bulls and cows was 6% lower for the current April compared to April 2012.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED- (Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt) FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----		Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	1,556	375.00-	394.00	389.47
Young Heifers **	1,043	365.00-	390.00	373.08
Aged Bulls **	77	270.00-	300.00	288.78
Aged Cows **	439	260.00-	328.00	277.77
Total	3,115			

Bison Meat: Compared to March's report: The pounds and prices of bison fresh middle meats was similar between April of 2012 and 2013. However, the pounds imported of Canadian bison meat doubled in April 2013 vs April 2012, indicating that current demand may be outpacing bison meat availability.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----		Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	34,274	1,275.00-	1,650.00	1397.42
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,906	1,275.00-	1,400.00	1341.73
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	78,345	500.00-	640.00	564.94
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	15,153	570.00-	775.00	615.64
Top Round Fresh	3,233	576.00-	660.00	579.72
Top Round Frozen	3,810	585.00-	675.00	617.94
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	8,614	540.00-	850.00	606.37
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,493	590.00-	650.00	620.00
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	4,590	575.00-	675.00	601.06
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,742	575.00-	645.00	606.59
Eye of Round Fresh	570	672.00-	672.00	672.00
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	25,898	750.00-	1,650.00	1,295.27
Strip Loin Frozen	4,994	750.00-	1,350.00	846.16
Top Sirloin Fresh	10,564	600.00-	853.00	796.77

Top Sirloin Frozen	1,728	610.00-	733.00	671.12
Tenderloin Fresh	16,393	1,800.00-	2,595.00	2,118.71
Tenderloin Frozen	2,034	1,975.00-	2,300.00	2,201.88

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	47,054	475.00- 600.00	542.89
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	37,220	475.00- 557.00	537.59
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh			
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	3,680	480.00- 510.00	489.15

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	100,335	475.00- 640.00	582.01
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	5,009	475.00- 700.00	633.32
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	85,130	510.00- 576.00	552.66
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,220	735.00- 735.00	735.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	79,400	500.00- 650.00	560.69

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	351,213	575.00- 675.00	616.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,449	540.00- 580.00	570.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	4,376	600.00- 750.00	710.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	840	555.00- 605.00	590.00

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Mar 2013	Mar 2012	2013 YTD	2012 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	42,990	21,117	100,310	98,988
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)			411	

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

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS) For the Month of March -----

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for March:	Head
W/E 3/02/13	839	:Slaughter Male	373
W/E 3/09/13	936	:Slaughter Female	339
W/E 3/16/13	752	:Feeder Male	42
W/E 3/23/13	846	:Feeder Female	41
		:Total	795
Total	3,373	:Source: USDA, APHIS	-----

Bison Carcasses: Compared to February's report: The number of bison harvested for March was 10% higher compared to February while prices were similar for prime bulls and heifers and aged cows. However, prices edged higher for aged bulls as supplies for these bison were limited. -----

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

-----Price Range-----	Wghtd Avg --			
Young Bulls **	1,592	375.00	400.00	389.29
Young Heifers **	1,201	369.00	390.00	374.23
Aged Bulls **	35	270.00	300.00	293.14
Aged Cows **	422	260.00	314.00	273.26
Total	3,250	-----	-----	-----

Bison Meat: Compared to February's report: Prices began to increase on middle meats while the prices for end meats began to slide lower at the onset of spring. Prices were also higher for most trimmings, grinds and patties as supplies were plentiful. -----

-----BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt) -----	Lbs	-----Price Range-----	Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	37,989	1,275.00-	1,600.00 1399.37
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	5,444	1,275.00-	1,350.00 1280.06
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	82,176	500.00-	630.00 583.80
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	13,425	580.00-	750.00 651.45
Top Round Fresh	3,598	567.00-	660.00 569.08
Top Round Frozen	4,314	585.00-	675.00 608.25
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	6,326	540.00-	630.00 601.97
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	3,754	590.00-	645.00 625.00
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,833	658.00-	658.00 658.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	3,517	575.00-	640.00 603.69
Eye of Round Fresh	1,435	632.00-	632.00 632.00
Eye of Round Frozen Strip Loin Fresh			23,605 750.00-

1,650.00	1,342.06	Strip Loin Frozen	2,011	750.00-
1,225.00	890.57	Top Sirloin Fresh	21,488	600.00-
795.00	713.40	Top Sirloin Frozen	4,196	620.00-
775.00	698.13	Tenderloin Fresh	15,929	1,850.00-
2,595.00	2,202.25	Tenderloin Frozen	2,346	2,100.00-
2,250.00	2,225.00	-----		
----- BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT) -				
-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg --				
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	34,368	490.00-	600.00	548.68
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	36,141	490.00-	660.00	539.01
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	10,025			480.00-
555.00	493.29	-----		
----- GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT) -----				
-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg --				
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	124,730	525.00-	640.00	585.85
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,991	700.00-	700.00	700.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	95,167	510.00	635.00	560.79
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh	735.00	735.00	2,570	735.00-
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	89,439	500.00-	650.00	558.97 ---

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	374,676	575.00-	675.00	619.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh	4,250	540.00-	570.00	565.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,384	600.00-	750.00	708.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,440	550.00-	600.00	590.00 ---
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen				

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S. -----				

	Feb 2013	Feb 2012	2013 YTD	2012 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	31,526	26,235	57,320	71,871
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	441	411		
Data Source: Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics -----				
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For the Month of February				

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)	Bison	:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for February:	Head
W/E 2/02/13	768	:	
W/E 2/09/13	810	:Slaughter Male	337
W/E 2/16/13	852	:Slaughter Female	707
W/E 2/23/13	701	:Feeder Male	340
		:Feeder Female	131
		:Total	1515
Total	3,131	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to January's report: Prices were steady for prime bulls and heifers. However prices edged higher for aged cows and were slightly lower for aged bulls. Overall the prices indicate a continued demand for ground bison as prices for bison whole muscle cuts were stable.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED- (Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt) FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----		-----Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	1,177	388.00	400.00	389.80
Young Heifers **	1,283	368.00	390.00	376.15
Aged Bulls **	7	270.00	300.00	274.29
Aged Cows **	496	260.00	340.00	272.58
Total	2,963			

Bison Meat: Compared to January's report: Fresh end meat prices were steady while frozen end meat prices were higher. In contrast both fresh and frozen end meat prices pushed higher. Slightly more pounds of ground bison was marketed in February vs January at comparable prices.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----		-----Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	32,193	1,300.00-	1,650.00	1392.14
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	4,908	1,175.00-	1,350.00	1300.23
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	71,931	500.00-	625.00	570.56
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	17,914	580.00-	775.00	645.10
Top Round Fresh	1,846	569.00-	569.00	569.00
Top Round Frozen	4,664	610.00-	670.00	655.35
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	4,796	540.00-	850.00	616.24
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	2,717	590.00-	620.00	600.00
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	409	660.00-	660.00	660.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	653	630.00-	630.00	630.00
Eye of Round Fresh	355	690.00-	690.00	690.00
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	20,420	775.00-	1,650.00	1,333.48
Strip Loin Frozen	4,251	750.00-	1,225.00	844.52
Top Sirloin Fresh	9,621	600.00-	842.00	776.87
Top Sirloin Frozen	970	600.00-	795.00	683.13
Tenderloin Fresh	14,995	1,850.00-	2,595.00	2,180.93
Tenderloin Frozen	2,050	2,100.00-	2,495.00	2,213.38

BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----		-----Wghtd Avg --
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	32,555	500.00-	600.00	546.18
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	29,461	520.00-	660.00	535.04
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh				
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	9,362	480.00-	615.00	501.00

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	93,507	525.00- 640.00	579.89
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	3,590	639.00-	700.00 675.63
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	91,828	550.00- 635.00	560.62
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,528	735.00- 735.00	735.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	71,096	500.00- 650.00	564.55

-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg --
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			

-----Lbs -----Price Range-----Wghtd Avg --
GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Case Ready (\$/Cwt)

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	336,420	575.00- 675.00	619.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	2,852	535.00- 580.00	570.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,376	600.00- 750.00	706.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	780	550.00- 600.00	590.00

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For the Month of January

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		:Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for January:	Head
	Bison	:	
W/E 1/05/13	610	:Slaughter Male	771
W/E 1/12/13	848	:Slaughter Female	484
W/E 1/19/13	820	:Feeder Male	121
W/E 1/26/13	782	:Feeder Female	100
		:Total	1476
Total	3,060	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to December's report: Prices for bison carcasses were similar to December prices for all gender and ages of bison. While both the top and bottom side prices were slightly lower in January, the overall weighted average was stable.

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis				
CLASS	Hd	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,489	355.00	400.00	388.29
Young Heifers **	1,138	368.00	390.00	375.04
Aged Bulls **	25	260.00	290.00	281.52
Aged Cows **	489	260.00	302.00	268.40
Total	3,141			

Bison Meat: Compared to December's report: Prices inched higher for fresh wholesale grain-fed bison meats, especially end meat, while prices were slightly lower for frozen bison meats. A price floor appeared to be set for case ready ground bison as demand continued.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	29,985	1,300.00-	1,650.00	1404.48
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	3,935	1,175.00-	1,350.00	1217.16
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	70,052	500.00-	625.00	579.74
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	20,839	620.00-	775.00	632.03
Top Round Fresh	4,068	566.00-	690.00	578.68
Top Round Frozen	5,092	610.00-	695.00	661.87
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	5,831	500.00-	710.00	628.96
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,294	590.00-	695.00	605.00
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,501	500.00-	695.00	659.71
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,490	620.00-	620.00	620.00
Eye of Round Fresh	533	500.00-	702.00	659.17
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	20,241	800.00-	1,650.00	1,341.80
Strip Loin Frozen	3,513	700.00-	1,225.00	832.32
Top Sirloin Fresh	10,596	600.00-	795.00	767.52
Top Sirloin Frozen	2,216	600.00-	1,240.00	792.55
Tenderloin Fresh	12,563	1,850.00-	2,595.00	2,153.74
Tenderloin Frozen	1,698	1,925.00-	2,330.00	2,042.37

BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg

Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	56,265	500.00-	600.00	542.41
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	29,004	515.00-	555.00	532.83
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh				
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	5,166	485.00-	510.00	488.52

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

	Lbs	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	94,034	520.00- 640.00	571.74
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	5,246	553.00- 700.00	685.49
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	93,907	550.00- 635.00	566.68
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,746	735.00- 735.00	735.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	78,679	500.00- 650.00	569.92

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	359,448	575.00- 640.00	619.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh			
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	4,400	535.00- 575.00	555.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,144	600.00- 750.00	707.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	1,400	530.00- 570.00	540.00

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Dec 2012	Dec 2011	2012 YTD	2011 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	37,479	29,321	379,856	637,797
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)				882

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

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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 12/01/12	977	:Slaughter Male	320
W/E 12/08/12	808	:Slaughter Female	251
W/E 12/15/12	810	:Feeder Male	367
W/E 12/22/12	796	:Feeder Female	93
W/E 12/29/12	550	:Total	1031
Total	3,941	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to November's report: Prices were steady or slightly lower on bison carcasses regardless of age or gender. The number of market ready bison was limited, restricting orders, while resulting bison meat prices kept distributors scrambling to fill existing orders

Bison Carcasses-GRAIN FED-(Hot Carcass Wt \$/Cwt)FOB Plant Basis	CLASS	-----Hd-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --
Young Bulls **	1,329	380.00	400.00	389.82
Young Heifers **	979	369.00	396.00	373.85
Aged Bulls **	26	270.00	335.00	287.23
Aged Cows **	541	260.00	310.00	281.64
Total	2,875			

Bison Meat: Compared to November's report: Both fresh and frozen bison meat prices fell even though the amount of bison meat marketed for the month was reduced. Prices were also lower for bison trim, grinds and patties possibly indicating consumer resistance to existing price levels.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)	-----Lbs-----	-----Price Range-----	-----Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	30,192	1,256.00- 1,650.00	1375.52
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	2,699	1,125.00- 1,350.00	1294.31
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	62,351	500.00- 654.00	579.52
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	8,225	575.00- 775.00	647.18
Top Round Fresh	3,210	561.00- 695.00	561.75
Top Round Frozen	2,361	625.00- 695.00	673.61
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	5,185	540.00- 850.00	631.84
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	4,467	615.00- 625.00	620.00
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	1,580	575.00- 675.00	639.27
Flats, Outside Round Frozen			

Eye of Round Fresh	1,886	663.00-	663.00	663.00
Eye of Round Frozen				
Strip Loin Fresh	21,632	750.00-	1,650.00	1,310.98
Strip Loin Frozen	2,843	462.00-	975.00	502.06
Top Sirloin Fresh	5,785	600.00-	848.00	794.89
Top Sirloin Frozen	1,049	575.00-	974.00	705.56
Tenderloin Fresh	15,015	1,850.00-	2,595.00	2,177.71
Tenderloin Frozen	2,778	1,950.00-	2,200.00	2,020.95

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	----
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	38,243	500.00-	600.00	515.72
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	40,429	510.00-	560.00	531.77
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh				
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	14,272	485.00-	505.00	488.20

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

	-----Lbs	-----Price Range	-----Wghtd Avg	----
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	102,648	550.00-	630.00	579.86
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	2,154	525.00-	660.00	636.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	81,003	510.00-	630.00	564.98
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	1,910	735.00-	735.00	735.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	64,915	500.00-	650.00	563.04

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	319,224	575.00-	675.00	618.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	5,134	530.00-	590.00	570.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,712	600.00-	750.00	707.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	990	540.00-	600.00	575.00

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Nov 2012	Nov 2011	2012 YTD	2011 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	25,353	16,535	342,598	608,475
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)				882

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MONTHLY BISON REPORT (CARCASS AND CUTS)
For the Month of October

Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants (not necessarily inspected)		Canadian Live Bison Imports into U.S. for October:	Head
	Bison	:	
W/E 10/06/12	746	:Slaughter Male	271
W/E 10/13/12	672	:Slaughter Female	304
W/E 10/20/12	829	:Feeder Male	200
W/E 10/27/12	661	:Feeder Female	77
		:Total	852
Total	2,908	:Source: USDA, APHIS	

Bison Carcasses: Compared to September's report: The number of bison carcasses harvested in October were 21% lower compared to the number of September. The largest drop was seen in the number of market ready young prime bulls and heifers. Lower prices were seen on all bison carcasses regardless of age or gender.

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

CLASS	Hd	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Young Bulls **	1,369	380.00 410.00	387.49
Young Heifers **	1,118	369.00 400.00	379.00
Aged Bulls **	84	305.00 310.00	305.24
Aged Cows **	324	267.00 351.00	286.23
Total	2,895		

Bison Meat: Compared to September's report: Prices worked their way higher on most bison end meats while middle meat prices held firm. Bison trim and most grind prices were lower. Prices for case ready ground bison was unevenly steady.

BISON MEAT - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/Cwt)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Ribeye, Lip-On Fresh	33,177	1,275.00	1,650.00	1401.99
Ribeye, Lip-On Frozen	5,585	1,175.00	1,352.00	1334.86
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	59,794	500.00	660.00	577.26
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	17,716	590.00	775.00	625.12
Top Round Fresh	897	639.00	639.00	639.00
Top Round Frozen	6,038	630.00	761.00	653.99
Peeled Knuckle Fresh	5,479	540.00	850.00	621.15
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	6,447	615.00	625.00	620.00
Flats, Outside Round Fresh	2,380	563.00	563.00	563.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen	1,566	620.00	635.00	630.00
Eye of Round Fresh	1,336	786.00	786.00	786.00
Eye of Round Frozen	167	635.00	695.00	662.66
Strip Loin Fresh	21,379	950.00	1,650.00	1,347.41
Strip Loin Frozen	5,786	550.00	1,480.00	895.06
Top Sirloin Fresh	7,808	600.00	856.00	795.48
Top Sirloin Frozen	897	550.00	650.00	640.67
Tenderloin Fresh	12,646	1,850.00	2,595.00	2,147.37
Tenderloin Frozen	2,846	2,000.00	2,495.00	2,195.41

BISON TRIMMINGS - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh	16,584	500.00	600.00	536.55
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	26,450	525.00	555.00	545.59
Bison Trimmings 85% Fresh				
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	2,534	495.00	515.00	495.79

GROUND BISON - GRAIN FED - Wholesale - (\$/CWT)				
	Lbs	Price Range		Wghtd Avg --
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh	100,839	525.00	640.00	589.15
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen	8,994	605.00	605.00	605.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	73,605	530.00	635.00	576.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	2,530	735.00	735.00	735.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	67,870	500.00	650.00	575.27

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	350,544	575.00	675.00	618.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	2,475	560.00	580.00	575.00
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen	3,800	600.00	750.00	685.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	1,283	565.00	585.00	581.00

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Canadian Fresh Chilled Bison Meat Imports into U.S.

	Sept 2012	Sept 2011	2012 YTD	2011 YTD
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	17,417	54,234	284,176	544,326
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)				441

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