

USDA National Monthly Bison Report

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For the Month of: **Dec**

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For the Month of December, prices of bison cuts trended slightly lower compared to November. Pounds of bison were mostly steady. Canadian bison imports were 29 percent higher and Actual Slaughter numbers were 15 percent higher over November totals.

Livestock Slaughter		Canadian Live Imports						Livestock		
Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants *		Canadian Live Imports to U.S.						Weaned Calves *		
Weekending	Head Count	Feeder		Slaughter		Breeding/Genetic		Bulls	Bulls	
		Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	under 400 lbs	over 400 lbs	
W/E 12/05/20	1141	60		208	221			2020		
W/E 12/12/20	1214	129		171	169			2019	2835 5601	
W/E 12/19/20	1217	60		312	221	2		2018	3469 5503	
W/E 12/26/20	967			190	88	1	9		Heifers	
W/E 01/02/21	1066	60		140	87				Heifers	
Monthly Total	5605	309	0	1021	786	3	9	2020	under 400 lbs over 400 lbs	
YTD:	61990	3141	2281	11892	7555	86	350	2019	4015 4284	
								2018	5157 3344	

* not necessarily inspected

Source: USDA, APHIS

Bison Carcasses

Grain Fed

FOB Plant - (\$/CWT)

Class	Head	Carc. Wt.	Price Range		Weighted Avg	Previous Month	Previous Year
Young Bulls*	2063	671	350.00	- 440.00	388.99	393.03	433.87
Young Heifers*	1419	551	340.00	- 446.00	369.16	386.84	402.09
Aged Bulls *	58	918	240.00	- 340.00	325.83	336.13	340.25
Aged Cows *	588	486	265.00	- 353.00	329.09	325.24	332.35
Total	4,128						

* Animals under the age of 30 months are classified as young, while animals older than 30 months are considered part of the aged classification.

Bison Cuts

Grain Fed

Wholesale - (\$/CWT)

<u>Cut/Primal</u>	<u>lbs</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Avg</u>	<u>Previous Month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
<u>Chuck</u>					
Chuckroll/Clod Fresh	7569	615.00 – 665.00	615.67	0.00	674.18
Chuckroll/Clod Frozen	2473	660.00 – 798.00	687.34	657.73	709.66
<u>Rib</u>					
Ribeye, Lip-on Fresh	14959	1148.00 – 1190.00	1171.63	1178.96	1656.17
Ribeye, Lip-on Frozen				0.00	1434.36
<u>Loin</u>					
Strip Loin Fresh	4167	996.00 – 1004.00	999.00	1017.65	1265.12
Strip Loin Frozen				0.00	1080.92
Top Sirloin Fresh	4292	747.00 – 820.00	768.70	785.05	1023.68
Top Sirloin Frozen				0.00	0.00
Tenderloin Fresh	7327	1454.00 – 1776.00	1537.89	1654.75	2134.23
Tenderloin Frozen				1217.49	1904.36
<u>Round</u>					
Top Round Fresh				0.00	639.01
Top Round Frozen	5792	700.00 – 763.00	760.60	771.11	731.56
Peeled Knuckle Fresh				0.00	0.00
Peeled Knuckle Frozen	1998	655.00 – 790.00	666.96	692.78	788.40
Flats, Outside Round Fresh				0.00	0.00
Flats, Outside Round Frozen				751.41	778.47
Eye of Round Fresh				0.00	0.00
Eye of Round Frozen	1285	646.00 – 770.00	655.17	0.00	692.25
<u>Trimnings/Ground</u>					
Bison Trimmings 90% Fresh				0.00	545.00
Bison Trimmings 90% Frozen	65700	490.00 – 596.00	510.24	516.28	540.44
Bison Trimmings 85% Frozen	1268	572.00 – 650.00	599.68	585.74	684.65
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh				0.00	0.00
Grnd 90% Bulk, Frozen				0.00	0.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Fresh				0.00	694.00
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen	53415	505.00 – 752.00	586.22	585.07	706.35

Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen					0.00	0.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Fresh					0.00	766.01
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	29376	510.00 - 743.00		645.74	623.18	754.46
<u>Offal</u>						
Hearts	2376	200.00 - 433.00		255.92	0.00	240.75
Livers	310	110.00 - 355.00		157.42	0.00	275.97
Tongues					0.00	416.71

Case Ready - (\$/CWT)

<u>Cut/Primal</u>	<u>lbs</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Avg</u>	<u>Previous Month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
<u>Trimnings/Ground</u>					
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh				0.00	744.51
Grnd 85% Bulk, Frozen				0.00	584.99
Grnd 90% Patties, Frozen				0.00	0.00
Grnd 85% Patties, Frozen	51048	545.00 - 749.00		747.56	740.38

Grass Fed

Direct to Consumer - (\$/LBS)

<u>Cut/Primal</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Avg</u>	<u>Previous Month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
<u>Chuck</u>				
Chuck Roast	11.45 - 15.54	14.13	13.76	12.39
Flat Iron			0.00	0.00
Brisket	10.00 - 16.71	13.36	15.02	11.29
<u>Ribs</u>				
Ribeye Steaks	28.95 - 41.90	36.88	38.13	32.24
Prime Rib	28.95 - 37.13	33.04	34.97	32.54
Back Ribs	9.98 - 12.95	10.98	11.73	10.48
<u>Loin</u>				
T-Bones Steaks	42.56 - 42.56	42.56	42.56	0.00
Porterhouse Steaks	49.25 - 49.25	49.25	49.25	0.00
Tenderloin	42.95 - 48.57	45.76	45.76	42.83
Filet Mignon	42.95 - 66.08	57.55	59.70	53.67
New York Strip	28.95 - 42.89	36.96	37.21	33.50

Round

Eye of Round Roast	11.95 - 21.41	15.62	12.73	11.95
Top Sirloin	27.95 - 35.19	32.79	32.79	28.94
Sirloin Tip	11.95 - 19.35	15.32	15.32	13.34

Ground

Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	12.99 - 18.14	14.88	15.28	13.59
Ground Bison (Patties)	13.95 - 16.61	15.18	15.18	14.41

Other/Misc.

Flank Steak	14.99 - 17.95	16.47	17.95	17.95
Skirt Steak	14.95 - 14.95	14.95	14.95	14.95
Stew Meat	14.95 - 19.24	17.21	17.21	13.62
Jerky	43.80 - 43.96	43.88	43.88	43.80
Hot Dogs	15.95 - 17.95	16.95	16.95	16.23

Offal

Hearts	13.95 - 13.95	13.95	13.95	12.95
Livers	13.95 - 15.17	14.47	14.14	13.95
Tongues	14.95 - 16.17	15.56	11.83	7.48

Bison Meat Imports/Exports**Canadian - Imports**

	<u>Nov-2020</u>	<u>Nov-2019</u>	<u>Dec-2019</u>	<u>YTD - 2020</u>	<u>YTD - 2019</u>
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	50,706	102,956	124,782	410,722	1,141,334
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	0	0	0	0	24,251

Mexico - Exports

	<u>Nov-2020</u>	<u>Oct-2020</u>	<u>YTD - 2020</u>
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	377,431	80,689	581,579

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

Explanatory Notes:

Weaned Calves Numbers - Collected on a yearly basis, usually during the Spring.

Bison Meat Imports/Exports - Represents the most current data available.

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