



National Monthly Bison Report

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For the Month of: **May**

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*****Please Note Report Enhancements: Total Submitted Volume (Wholesale), Kidneys (Wholesale), The Monthly Bison Auction Summary ***** For the month of May, total submitted wholesale volume was 811,174 lbs. Compared to April, prices of Wholesale Cuts were lower on steady volume. Prices of Wholesale Trim and Grind were steady to higher with higher volume compared to April. Live Canadian imports for May (5 wks) were 74 percent higher and FIS Actual Slaughter was 14 percent higher than April (4 wks).

Livestock Slaughter		Canadian Live Imports						Livestock		
Actual Slaughter Numbers in Federally Inspected Plants *		Canadian Live Imports to U.S.						Weaned Calves *		
<u>Weekending</u>	<u>Head Count</u>	<u>Feeder</u>		<u>Slaughter</u>		<u>Breeding/Genetic</u>		<u>Bulls</u>		<u>Bulls</u>
		<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>under 400 lbs</u>		<u>over 400 lbs</u>
5/3/2025	1014	134	229	74	59	0	0	2024	3272	3176
5/10/2025	984	211	274	105	72	0	0	2023	4106	3424
5/17/2025	1222	294	46	115	28	0	0	2022	3629	4705
5/24/2025	966	93	83	81	18	0	0		<u>Heifers</u>	<u>Heifers</u>
5/31/2025	1092	109	59	140	53			<u>under 400 lbs</u>		<u>over 400 lbs</u>
Monthly Total	5278	841	691	515	230	0	0	2024	3586	2535
YTD:	27295	3968	3633	3216	3595	58	96	2023	4270	3183
		Source: USDA, APHIS						2022	4491	3597

* not necessarily inspected

Bison Carcasses

Grain Fed

FOB Plant - (\$/CWT)							
<u>Class</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Carc. Wt.</u>	<u>Price Range</u>		<u>Weighted Avg</u>	<u>Previous Month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Young Bulls*	1386	663	474.00	– 495.00	492.92	486.49	425.80
Young Heifers*	1052	571	455.00	– 470.00	469.23	463.24	399.32
Aged Bulls *		1247	0.00	– 0.00		365.00	0.00
Aged Cows *	50	544	380.00	– 385.00	384.30	0.00	329.11
Total	2,488						

* 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>
Total Submitted Volume (lbs)	811,174			943,830	
<u>Chuck</u>					
Chuckroll, Fresh/Frozen	23785	625.00 - 1053.00	867.20	848.26	720.65
<u>Rib/Loin</u>					
Ribeye Lip-on, Fresh/Frozen	27218	1545.00 - 2350.00	1838.24	1860.53	1563.14
<u>Loin</u>					
Strip Loin, Fresh/Frozen	13995	1075.00 - 1969.00	1383.34	1377.61	1178.51
Top Sirloin, Fresh/Frozen	2756	750.00 - 1255.00	834.78	1042.03	971.54
Tenderloin, Fresh/Frozen	12222	2040.00 - 3711.00	2508.71	2549.37	2479.89
<u>Round</u>					
Round Cuts Fresh/Frozen	19672	680.00 - 1114.00	902.35	860.11	753.13
<u>Trimmings/Ground</u>					
Trimmings 90%, Fresh/Frozen	85219	700.00 - 850.00	764.51	750.07	562.61
Trimmings 80%, Fresh/Frozen					
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen	16760	625.00 - 927.00	788.46		
Grnd 80% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen	75227	625.00 - 1041.00	781.17	781.92	766.49
<u>Patties</u>					
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh/Frozen					
Grnd 80% Patties, Fresh/Frozen	47124	736.00 - 1090.00	836.73	821.84	749.23
<u>Offal**</u>				<u>Previous Quarter</u>	<u>Q2 Prev Year</u>
Hearts, Fresh/Frozen				429.79	428.16
Kidneys, Fresh/Frozen				165.45	
Livers, Fresh/Frozen				156.84	199.32
Tongues, Fresh/Frozen				306.65	359.47
Case Ready - (\$/CWT)					
				<u>Previous Month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen	487196	755.00 - 899.00	801.27	794.19	713.10
Grnd 80% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen				0.00	
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh/Frozen				797.51	
Grnd 80% Patties, Fresh/Frozen				0.00	

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	13.99 - 23.12	17.63	17.46	17.36
Flat Iron	23.00 - 23.00	23.00	21.50	0.00
Brisket	12.52 - 24.58	16.04	15.44	14.92
<u>Ribs</u>				
Ribeye Steaks	32.95 - 69.28	48.18	45.56	45.12
Prime Rib	30.95 - 57.35	44.15	42.79	49.65
Back Ribs	15.48 - 15.48	15.48	14.74	15.31
<u>Loin</u>				
T-Bones Steaks	34.72 - 34.72	34.72	34.72	
Porterhouse Steaks				
Tenderloin	41.43 - 91.66	65.86	64.99	73.95
Filet Mignon	43.89 - 115.28	77.82	70.43	73.28
New York Strip	30.61 - 59.72	43.02	42.39	41.79
<u>Round</u>				
Eye of Round Roast	21.59 - 21.59	21.59	21.55	19.63
Top Sirloin	25.41 - 48.04	35.80	34.65	34.08
Sirloin Tip	15.99 - 19.03	17.54	17.24	16.53
<u>Ground</u>				
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	13.99 - 22.49	17.01	14.90	16.05
Ground Bison (Patties)	14.99 - 23.39	19.29	17.52	17.46
<u>Other/Misc.</u>				
Flank Steak	14.98 - 40.00	23.18	26.52	22.12
Skirt Steak	16.45 - 40.00	25.48	23.82	30.82
Stew Meat	13.00 - 27.99	19.54	18.83	18.79
Jerky	61.24 - 74.56	67.90	61.47	58.44
Hot Dogs	15.95 - 25.36	20.66	20.05	18.95
<u>Offal</u>				
Hearts	8.00 - 34.32	22.77	18.67	27.85
Livers	6.00 - 21.99	15.65	16.76	22.87
Tongues	5.14 - 19.45	10.77	10.04	9.54

Bison Meat Imports/Exports

Canada - Imports

	<u>Apr-2025</u>	<u>Apr-2024</u>	<u>May-2024</u>	<u>YTD - 2025</u>	<u>YTD - 2024</u>
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	9,259	1,764	1,764	48,942	6,612
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	13,889	74,516	24,471	248,020	229,942

Mexico - Exports

	<u>Apr-2025</u>	<u>Apr-2024</u>	<u>May-2024</u>	<u>YTD - 2025</u>	<u>YTD - 2024</u>
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	200,841	400,139	127,427	836,433	881,187

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

Live Bison

Monthly Bison Auction Summary

Total Monthly Receipts of Reported Auctions:

Combined summary report for the month of May no auctions to report.

Please note: Weights are not provided for all animals sold and are therefore not a component of the report. Average weights for the sample of animals with provided weights are as follows: **Calves** (Bulls- lbs, Heifers - lbs), **2YO** (Bulls - lbs, Heifers - lbs), **Mature** (Bulls - lbs).

<u>Class</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Price Range (\$/HD)</u>	<u>Weighted Avg</u>	<u>Previous Month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Calves	Bull	0			1516.18	
	Heifer	0			949.26	
Yearlings	Bull	0			0.00	
	Heifer	0			0.00	
2 YO	Bull	0			1986.36	
	Heifer	0			1304.76	
Mature	Bull	0			3350.00	
	Cow	0			0.00	
Bred	Heifer	0			0.00	
	Cow	0			0.00	
Pairs (\$/Pair)	Cow/Calf	0			0.00	

Please Note: The above USDA LPGMN price report is reflective of the majority of bison offered for sale via auction. There may be instances some auctions or animals are not included.

Explanatory Notes:

*Weaned Calves - Headcounts collected on a yearly basis, usually during the Spring.

**Wholesale Offal - Prices reported on a quarterly basis. (April, July, October, January). Not included in Total Submitted Volume.

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

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