



National Monthly Bison Report

Agricultural Marketing Service
Livestock, Poultry, and Grain Market News

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For the Month of: **Mar**

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For the month of March, total submitted wholesale volume was 515,629 lbs. Compared to February, prices of Wholesale Cuts were higher on higher volume. Prices of Wholesale Trim and Grind was lower on lower volume compared to February. Live Canadian imports for March (4 wks) were 6 percent lower and FIS Actual Slaughter was 11 percent higher than February (4 wks).

**** correction to Case Ready 90% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen ****

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>
3/7/2026	1149	161	97	128	267	0	0	2024	3272	3176
3/14/2026	1066	62	42	63	126	0	80	2023	4106	3424
3/21/2026	1064	118	59	154	117	0	20	2022	3629	4705
3/28/2026	1102	326	230	78	167	3	0		<u>Heifers</u>	<u>Heifers</u>
								<u>under 400 lbs</u>		<u>over 400 lbs</u>
Monthly Total	4381	667	428	423	677	3	100	2024	3586	2535
YTD:	13779	1865	1379	1242	1609	16	181	2023	4270	3183
								2022	4491	3597

* not necessarily inspected

Source: USDA, APHIS

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*	1406	678	512.00	- 516.00	514.75	511.63	486.95
Young Heifers*			0.00	- 0.00		488.47	463.92
Aged Bulls *			0.00	- 0.00			
Aged Cows *	260	557	375.00	- 448.00	424.97		
Total	1,666						

* 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)	515,629			828,284	865,925
<u>Chuck</u>					
Chuckroll, Fresh/Frozen	24581	688.00 - 1100.00	912.95	917.93	827.99
<u>Rib/Loin</u>					
Ribeye Lip-on, Fresh/Frozen	26332	1526.00 - 2650.00	2032.79	2018.84	1829.35
<u>Loin</u>					
Strip Loin, Fresh/Frozen	18156	987.00 - 1800.00	1394.17	1345.47	1390.25
Top Sirloin, Fresh/Frozen	1427	888.00 - 2369.00	1054.55		1027.36
Tenderloin, Fresh/Frozen	12086	2210.00 - 4150.00	2800.46	2657.41	2563.86
<u>Round</u>					
Round Cuts Fresh/Frozen	26145	688.00 - 1140.00	1010.32	936.90	913.15
<u>Trimmings/Ground</u>					
Trimmings 90%, Fresh/Frozen	26907	850.00 - 1050.00	867.45	966.80	733.61
Trimmings 80%, Fresh/Frozen					
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen					
Grnd 80% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen	105731	761.00 - 1249.00	885.97	902.08	773.59
<u>Patties</u>					
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh/Frozen				945.52	
Grnd 80% Patties, Fresh/Frozen	18836	800.00 - 1273.00	955.39		
<u>Offal**</u>				<u>Previous Quarter</u>	<u>Q1 Prev Year</u>
Hearts, Fresh/Frozen	31671	300.00 - 725.00	483.37	464.45	429.79
Kidneys, Fresh/Frozen	108605	75.00 400.00	160.78	189.54	165.45
Livers, Fresh/Frozen	17893	280.00 - 639.00	375.95	135.14	156.84
Tongues, Fresh/Frozen	16921	89.00 - 375.00	195.78	304.98	306.65
Case Ready - (\$/CWT)					
				<u>Previous Month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen	681752	764.00 - 1200.00	825.28	816.80	779.43
Grnd 80% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen					
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh/Frozen					788.78
Grnd 80% Patties, Fresh/Frozen					

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	13.42 - 27.33	19.67	19.45	17.66
Flat Iron				21.50
Brisket	12.52 - 30.00	19.80	18.18	15.91
<u>Ribs</u>				
Ribeye Steaks	37.00 - 76.32	56.54	53.14	46.61
Prime Rib	70.00 - 70.00	70.00	51.98	42.78
Back Ribs	24.32 - 24.32	24.32	24.32	16.85
<u>Loin</u>				
T-Bones Steaks			33.28	34.56
Porterhouse Steaks				0.00
Tenderloin	49.95 - 105.00	84.98	102.50	65.24
Filet Mignon	49.16 - 140.00	86.27	91.39	74.90
New York Strip	33.95 - 70.30	45.87	45.87	42.46
<u>Round</u>				
Eye of Round Roast	28.00 - 28.00	28.00	28.00	21.59
Top Sirloin	24.75 - 57.00	37.94	37.76	34.59
Sirloin Tip	18.40 - 24.00	21.20	21.20	17.76
<u>Ground</u>				
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	12.00 - 25.29	18.51	18.24	14.90
Ground Bison (Patties)	14.00 - 26.99	18.41	19.25	17.52
<u>Other/Misc.</u>				
Flank Steak	15.75 - 44.00	26.73	26.87	22.70
Skirt Steak	14.00 - 44.00	25.74	27.42	24.57
Stew Meat	18.30 - 31.49	26.60	22.57	18.83
Jerky	72.00 - 85.80	78.90	73.92	62.34
Hot Dogs	32.00 - 32.00	32.00	23.98	20.05
<u>Offal</u>				
Hearts	8.00 - 44.00	24.75	24.75	22.67
Livers	8.00 - 34.40	17.47	15.10	16.76
Tongues	8.00 - 22.88	12.96	13.63	10.05

Bison Meat Imports/Exports

Canada - Imports

	<u>Feb-2026</u>	<u>Feb-2025</u>	<u>Mar-2025</u>	<u>YTD - 2026</u>	<u>YTD - 2025</u>
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	4,630	19,621	3,307	10,362	39,683
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	661	121,475	32,628	76,280	234,131

Mexico - Exports

	<u>Feb-2026</u>	<u>Feb-2025</u>	<u>Mar-2025</u>	<u>YTD - 2026</u>	<u>YTD - 2025</u>
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	799,837	120,372	474,214	1,370,393	635,592

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

Live Bison

Monthly Bison Auction Summary

Total Monthly Receipts of Reported Auctions: 0

Combined summary report for the month of March included 0 auctions. Noted origins of bison sold include:

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), **Yearlings** (Bulls- lbs, Heifers- lbs) **2YO** (Bulls - lbs, Heifers - lbs), **Mature** (Bulls - lbs, Cows- 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			1724.65	1866.67
	Heifer	0			1512.82	1489.39
Yearlings	Bull	0			4490.91	
	Heifer	0			1808.33	
2 YO	Bull	0			2870.83	2533.33
	Heifer	0			1750.00	1800.00
Mature	Bull	0			3553.51	4541.67
	Cow	0			2151.39	
Bred	Heifer	0			4930.26	
	Cow	0			2760.34	
Pairs (\$/Pair)	Cow/Calf	0				

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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