



National Monthly Bison Report

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For the Month of: **Aug**

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For the month of August, total submitted wholesale volume was 602,977 lbs. Compared to July, prices of Wholesale Cuts were higher on higher to steady volume. Prices of Wholesale Trim and Grind was not reported for the month of August. Live Canadian imports for August (4 wks) was 34 percent lower and FIS Actual Slaughter was 20 percent lower than July (5 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>
8/8/2026	1068	0	0	93	103	0	0	2025	1012	3471
8/15/2026	1047	0	0	53	101	0	0	2024	3272	3176
8/22/2026	1014	0	0	51	90	0	0	2023	4106	3424
8/29/2026	1027	0	0	0	0	0	0		<u>Heifers</u>	<u>Heifers</u>
		0							<u>under 400 lbs</u>	<u>over 400 lbs</u>
Monthly Total	4156	0	0	197	294	0	0	2025	1123	3181
YTD:	37424	3276	2496	3226	3061	69	340	2024	3586	2535
		Source: USDA, APHIS						2023	4270	3183

* 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*	1604	736	535.00	– 545.00	541.45	541.91	498.47
Young Heifers*	680	625	513.00	– 520.00	516.79	516.29	473.18
Aged Bulls *			0.00	– 0.00			
Aged Cows *			0.00	– 0.00			
Total	2,284						

* 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)	602,977			602,480	960,525
<u>Chuck</u>					
Chuckroll, Fresh/Frozen	15083	747.00 - 1231.00	937.68	909.19	879.13
<u>Rib/Loin</u>					
Ribeye Lip-on, Fresh/Frozen	20677	1522.00 - 2480.00	2103.76	2072.19	1991.55
<u>Loin</u>					
Strip Loin, Fresh/Frozen	8627	1263.00 - 2404.00	1477.47	1465.22	1407.54
Top Sirloin, Fresh/Frozen					1014.11
Tenderloin, Fresh/Frozen	11253	1800.00 - 4166.00	2739.71	2559.14	2756.22
<u>Round</u>					
Round Cuts Fresh/Frozen	15887	747.00 - 1431.00	905.33	938.94	952.59
<u>Trimmings/Ground</u>					
Trimmings 90%, Fresh/Frozen	70009	595.00 - 1166.00	728.73		
Trimmings 80%, Fresh/Frozen					
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen					
Grnd 80% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen					836.94
<u>Patties</u>					
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh/Frozen					
Grnd 80% Patties, Fresh/Frozen					876.31
<u>Offal**</u>				<u>Previous Quarter</u>	<u>Q3 Prev Year</u>
Hearts, Fresh/Frozen				520.90	452.17
Kidneys, Fresh/Frozen				131.75	203.01
Livers, Fresh/Frozen				273.81	132.44
Tongues, Fresh/Frozen				380.10	353.37
Case Ready - (\$/CWT)					
				<u>Previous Month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Grnd 90% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen					817.11
Grnd 80% Bulk, Fresh/Frozen					
Grnd 90% Patties, Fresh/Frozen					
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	14.00 - 27.33	19.07	20.39	18.35
Flat Iron				
Brisket	20.03 - 30.00	25.02	21.86	17.19
<u>Ribs</u>				
Ribeye Steaks	36.95 - 76.32	57.63	56.89	49.13
Prime Rib	70.00 - 70.00	70.00	50.25	57.35
Back Ribs	24.32 - 24.32	24.32	24.32	15.48
<u>Loin</u>				
T-Bones Steaks				34.72
Porterhouse Steaks				
Tenderloin	66.66 - 105.00	85.83	102.50	69.01
Filet Mignon	49.16 - 140.00	86.70	86.78	79.74
New York Strip	33.00 - 60.20	41.97	44.25	41.11
<u>Round</u>				
Eye of Round Roast	28.00 - 28.00	28.00	28.00	21.59
Top Sirloin	28.46 - 56.60	39.01	48.02	36.08
Sirloin Tip	16.33 - 24.00	20.17	21.76	17.54
<u>Ground</u>				
Ground Bison (Bulk Lean)	15.99 - 25.29	19.76	18.46	16.72
Ground Bison (Patties)	16.99 - 26.99	21.62	22.37	18.33
<u>Other/Misc.</u>				
Flank Steak	13.98 - 44.00	26.33	27.47	23.22
Skirt Steak	19.23 - 35.20	27.81	30.74	24.87
Stew Meat	18.30 - 31.99	26.76	26.60	19.54
Jerky	85.80 - 85.80	85.80	78.90	67.90
Hot Dogs	15.95 - 26.00	20.98	20.98	19.77
<u>Offal</u>				
Hearts	39.00 - 44.00	41.50	41.50	23.58
Livers	8.00 - 34.40	17.47	17.47	17.05
Tongues	8.00 - 22.88	15.44	13.63	10.26

Bison Meat Imports/Exports

Canada - Imports

	<u>Jul-2026</u>	<u>Jul-2025</u>	<u>Aug-2025</u>	<u>YTD - 2026</u>	<u>YTD - 2025</u>
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	9,921	12,346	99,208	43,873	174,826
Bone-in Fresh Chilled (lbs)	40,565	882	0	303,356	250,225

Mexico - Exports

	<u>Jul-2026</u>	<u>Jul-2025</u>	<u>Aug-2025</u>	<u>YTD - 2026</u>	<u>YTD - 2025</u>
Boneless Fresh Chilled (lbs)	444,231	478,183	81,351	3,646,004	2,140,909

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 August 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			1607.69	
	Heifer	0			1635.71	
Yearlings	Bull	0			2383.33	
	Heifer	0			1990.91	
2 YO	Bull	0			2600.00	
	Heifer	0			2111.11	
Mature	Bull	0			3776.32	
	Cow	0			2171.43	
Bred	Heifer	0			2100.00	
	Cow	0			2388.89	
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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