

RETHINK CANADIAN BEEF ENVIRONMENTALLY



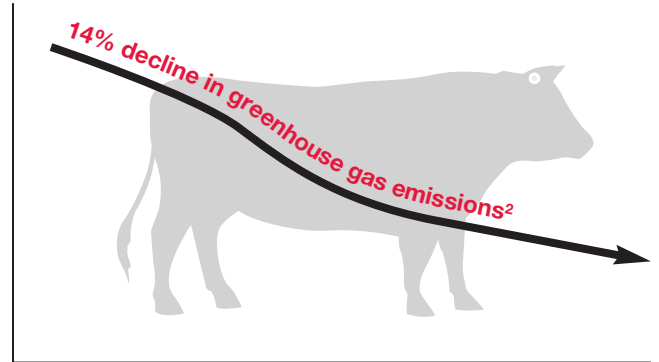
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

LESS GAS EXPORTED

At 0.04%, Canadians should be proud that beef production in this country has one of the **lowest** greenhouse gas footprints in the world.¹

IMPROVED FUEL EFFICIENCY

GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSIONS PER KG OF BEEF IN CANADA



1981

PRODUCTION YEAR

2014

BEEF BELONGS



KEEP CALM AND GRAZE ON

Cattle ranching and farming plays an important role across the country to **preserve native** grasslands and support the habitats of **wildlife**.³

As the bison did for centuries, cattle play an essential role in grasslands to help preserve their function and health, including:



soil carbon storage



biodiversity



wildlife habitat and migration



water filtration



nutrient recycling

WATER IMPACT

SAFEGUARDING WATER

'Eat a steak, save a lake'. In their effort to preserve wetland habitat, Ducks Unlimited works to support beef farming. Raising cattle means lands are not drained for growing crops. Good for frogs, good for ducks, good for beef.

DID YOU KNOW...

Canadian beef farmers and ranchers work with conservation groups like **Cows and Fish** to **safeguard streams and creeks**.

Beef farmers work with **conservation experts** to **develop and invest in Environmental Farm Plans** to keep water safe.

Latest research verifies conservation efforts have led to a **20% decrease in the amount of ground & surface water used to produce beef** in 2011 compared to 1981.⁴

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RETHINK CANADIAN BEEF NUTRITIONALLY



FOUNDATIONAL FOOD

Beef Belongs



As one of nature's most nutrient dense foods, beef is recommended as a protein food option in Canada's food guide Eat Well plate. Beef has an important role to play.

MYTH BUSTER

Do we eat too much red meat?



Canadians get only 5% of their calories from unprocessed red meat¹ on average while 50% comes from ultra-processed foods (e.g. pop, chips, baked goods, etc)²

NUTRIENTS

LOOKING TO KEEP YOUR



100 G OF COOKED BEEF PROVIDES: ⁵

35 GRAMS OF PROTEIN necessary to build muscle and maintain healthy bones and teeth. Smile!

77% OF YOUR DAILY VALUE OF ZINC to help boost your body's immune system & keep you healthy

102% OF YOUR DAILY VALUE OF VITAMIN B₁₂ so you can concentrate and feel energized

15% OF YOUR DAILY VALUE OF VITAMIN B₆, an important brain-power booster - a smart decision to include

19% OF YOUR DAILY VALUE OF IRON enabling increased brain and muscle function

BEEF IS PART OF A HEALTHY DIET

For more information visit:
<https://thinkbeef.ca/nutrition/>

FOOD SYNERGY

BETTER TOGETHER!



DID YOU KNOW...

That when paired together, foods can actually produce greater health benefits for your body? We eat foods not nutrients. **Real foods trump supplements.**

Paired together, protein-rich beef helps increase the iron absorbed from beans and other plant sources of iron by a whopping **150%**.³ It's food synergy in action - known as **The Meat Factor**.

Without the inclusion of meat in their diets, vegetarians need almost **2X more iron** than meat eaters.⁴

PROTEIN FOODS DIFFER

Enjoy a variety of protein foods from Canada's food guide. Consider the 'protein density' of your protein choices.⁶

Each food pictured here provides 35 grams of protein.

	Amount	Calories
Beef (cooked)	100 grams = 1 serving* (the size of your palm)	250
Peanut butter	over 9 tbsps (9.4 servings); 1 tbsp = 1 serving*	860
Hummus	1 1/4 cups (14.2 servings); 2 tbsps = 1 serving*	740
Black beans (cooked/canned)	over 2 cups (4.3 servings); 1/2 cup = 1 serving*	520

¹ Canadian Community Health Surveys (Nutrition) 2004 and 2015.

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