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## USDA to measure bison health

**HARRISBURG**, **PA** -- From June 2022 - November 2022, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), in conjunction with the National Animal Health Monitoring Service (NAHMS), will conduct a national study focus on ranched bison health and management in the United States.

"The information collected in this survey will benefit both livestock producers (by facilitating efficient production and animal welfare), industry leaders, and the general public through education," said King Whetstone, director of the NASS Northeastern Regional Field Office.

All bison producers and stewards are encouraged to participate in the study, designed to provide a snapshot of current health and management practices in U.S. bison operations. The information collected will also allow for the analysis of trends in specific topics related to bison health, based on the NAHMS Bison 2014 study.

For more information, please click on the NAHMS Bison 2022 Study link on this page: <a href="https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal-health/nahms/">https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal-health/nahms/</a>.

Direct link to the APHIS study fact sheet:

https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\_health/nahms/bison/downloads/bison22/bison-2022-study-launch.pdf.

NASS safeguards the privacy of all respondents. The information provided by respondents will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with federal law, responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form.

Survey results will be published between November 2022 and January 2023. For more information, call the NASS Northeastern Regional Field Office at (800) 498-1518.

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