





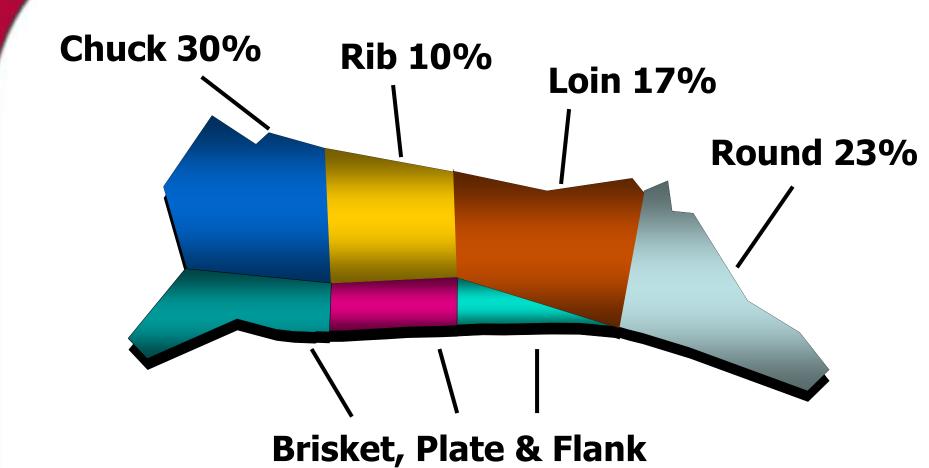


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Value-Added Cuts Initiatives







20%





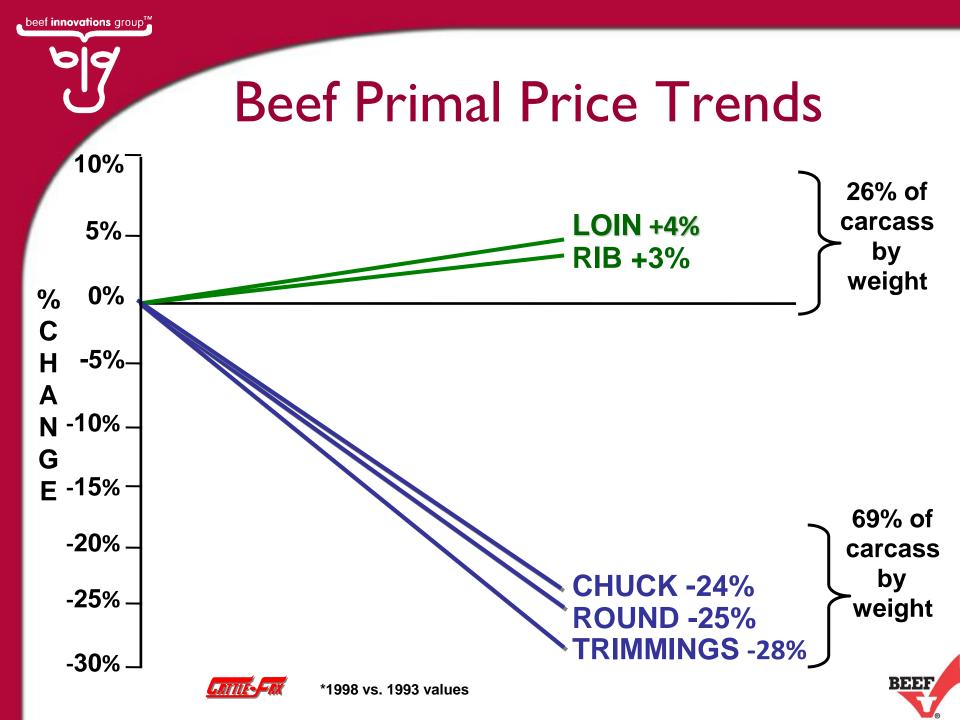
Beef's Dinosaur Cuts





SOON TO BE EXTINCT!







Muscle Profiling Research

- Goal add value to the chuck and round
- Full characterization of 39 individual muscles of the chuck and round
- Individual muscle data shared through http://bovine.unl.edu
- Identified "diamonds in the rough" for further application as value-added cuts





Beef Value Cuts

Create more steak options

Discover value in the chuck and round

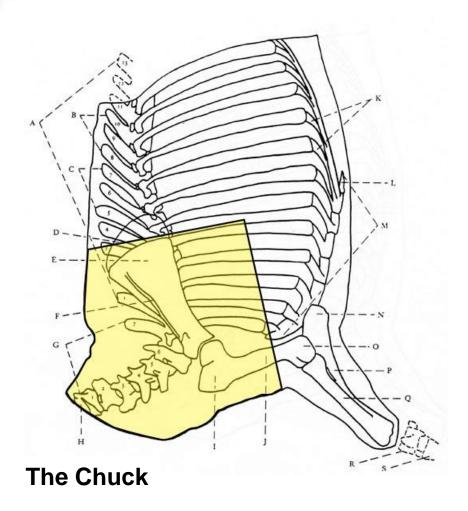
Moderately priced

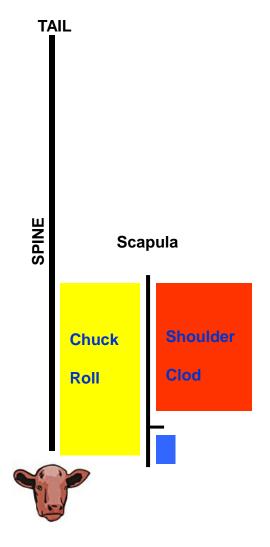
 More options for consumers, retailers and foodservice operators





Anatomical Locations

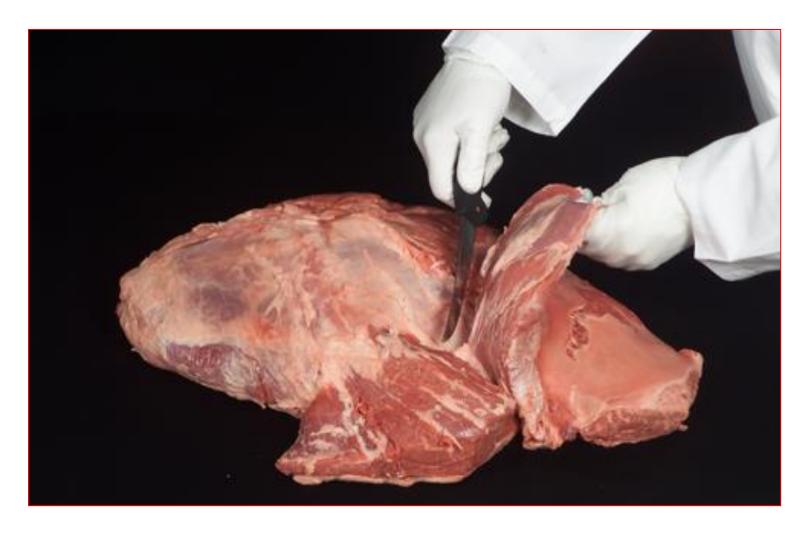








Whole Beef Shoulder Clod







Separated Beef Shoulder Clod







Warner-Bratzler Shear Force Rank

| Rank | Muscle | Subprimal |
|------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Psoas major | Tenderloin |
| 2 | Infraspinatus | Shoulder Clod |
| 3 | Spinalis dorsi | Ribeye/Chuck Roll |
| 4 | Serratus ventralis | Chuck Roll |
| 5 | Multifidus dorsi | Chuck Roll |
| 6 | Subscapularis | Chuck |
| 7 | Teres major | Shoulder Clod |
| 8 | Rectus femoris | Knuckle |
| 9 | Tensor fascia latae | Sirloin |
| 10 | Biceps brachii | Chuck |





Managing Connective Tissue





2009 Foodservice Volume

- 86 M lbs Flat Iron
- 40 M lbs Petite Tender
- 27 M lbs Ranch Steak

Compared to:

19 M lbs Porterhouse and 44 M lbs T-bone

Source: Technomic 2009 Foodservice Volumetric Study, Technomic, Inc.

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2008 Retail Volume

- 4.1 M pounds in 2005
- 7.5 M pounds in 2006
- 18.0 M pounds in 2007
- 18.5 M pounds in 2008

Source: Freshlook Marketing Total U.S. Pounds Sales

FY 2008 ends 10/26/08





Producer Bottom Line

Improved Chuck Values

\$50 - \$70 per head in carcass value since 1998







Next Frontier...Chuck Roll



Chuck Roll NAMP 116A

Future = Round

