

AMS Ground Beef Contractor Indicator Organism Performance - Fiscal Year: 2020^{1,2/}

<u>Contractor</u>	<u># Sub-lots Produced (% of Total)</u>	<u>Standard Plate Count^{3/}</u>		<u>Total Coliforms^{4/}</u>		<u>Generic <i>E. coli</i>^{5/}</u>	
		<u># Exceeding Critical Limit</u>	<u>% Exceeding Critical Limit</u>	<u># Exceeding Critical Limit</u>	<u>% Exceeding Critical Limit</u>	<u># Exceeding Critical Limit</u>	<u>% Exceeding Critical Limit</u>
C1	1,154 (19.6)	0	0	2	0.17	0	0
C3	578 (9.8)	2	0.35	0	0	1	0.17
C4	1,349 (22.9)	0	0	0	0	0	0
C5	852 (14.5)	0	0	0	0	0	0
C9	1,411 (24.0)	1	0.07	2	0.14	1	0.07
C18	207 (4.4)	0	0	2	0.97	2	0.97
C23	57 (1.0)	0	0	0	0	0	0
C29	139 (2.4)	2	1.44	0	0	0	0
C37	134 (2.3)	1	0.75	0	0	0	0
Total	5,881 (100.0)	6	0.10	6	0.10	4	0.07

^{1/}A full description of the ground beef purchase program specification is available at <https://www.ams.usda.gov/selling-food/product-specs#Beef>.

^{2/}Production Dates: October 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.

^{3/}Standard Plate Count Critical Limit: 100,000 CFU/g.

^{4/}Total Coliforms Critical Limit: 1,000 CFU/g.

^{5/}Generic *E. coli* Critical Limit: 500 CFU/g.