

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	2,067 (19.7)	0	0	4	0.19	2	0.10
C3	1,095 (10.5)	2	0.18	0	0	1	0.09
C4	2,254 (21.5)	0	0	2	0.09	0	0
C5	1,392 (13.3)	0	0	0	0	0	0
C9	2,685 (25.7)	1	0.04	2	0.07	1	0.04
C18	309 (3.0)	0	0	3	0.97	2	0.65
C23	184 (1.8)	0	0	0	0	0	0
C29	233 (2.2)	2	0.86	1	0.43	1	0.43
C37	248 (2.4)	6	2.42	3	1.21	1	0.40
Total	10,467 (100.0)	11	0.11	15	0.14	8	0.08

^{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 September 30, 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.