

Ingredients for your success

Top Produce Items

Asparagus-Alert

Very little volume continues from Mexico, with even less production from Peru as their season wanes so expect fair to poor quality at best. Overall, supplies will continue to be very tight for the next few weeks.

Avocados

Demand is increasing as we near Game Day. Heavy volumes are hitting the border, and we are watching to see if the demand keeps up with the increase in harvesting and crossings. Note: #2 grade fruit is a good value.

White Onions-Alert

Market is very active on white onions. Past weather related issues which caused light yields. Markets are anticipated to remain high through February.

Berries-Mix

Blueberries: Alternating winter weather and long offshore transit time may bring varying condition to packs so watch for inconsistent sizing and fruit rot. Blackberries & Raspberries: Quality may vary with inclement winter weather, fruit may be tart with varying size, as growers look to ship tougher, younger fruit.

Strawberries

CA growing regions are still drying out and recovering production following last week's rain, luckily the forecast seems favorable for the Valentine's pull. Watch for white shoulders and small sizing.



Broccoli &Cauliflower

Markets are adjusting downward with better supply and lower demand. Broccoli: Quality is good with some discoloration and mechanical damage. Cauliflower: Discoloration issues are due to bruising, but overall quality is fair to good.

Celery-Alert

Markets are very active and supplies limited. Lower production out of FL and Oxnard CA are driving the market. Rain promotes rapid growth causing cracks in the stems.

Citrus

Lemons: The market is steady with good supplies, and heavier to 140 and 165cts. Quality is good. Limes: Quality is fair. Cold and wet weather as well as lower availability are due to limited crossings into the US. Oranges: The market is steady with good supplies of 72ct and larger. Quality is excellent.

Melons-Alert

The honeydew market is in demand exceeds supply and quality is only fair at best. Cantaloupe quality is good. Watermelon demand is strong and the market is rising. Quality is fair at best and supplies light.

Lettuce Leaf-

Iceberg: Quality is mostly fair due to puffy heads and mechanical damage. Leaf: Quality is fair to good, with light to moderate epidermal peeling. Romaine: Quality is poor with excessive epidermal peeling, decay, twisting, and cupping. Markets are adjusting down this week due to better supply and lower demand.

Green Onion-Alert

Fair to good quality on fair supplies. Market is starting to show some signs of life again. Cold and wet weather continue impact supplies. Markets to be active for another 1-2 weeks. .

Peppers-Alert

East Coast green bells supplies are short. Quality is good and the market is steady to strong. Red and yellow peppers are more available and the market is weaker. West Coast green bells remain very short with the colored bells easing substantially. Jalapeño and Serrano peppers are demand exceeds supply.

Tomatoes

The market is improving due to declining demand and increasing volume out of the Naples/Immokalee growing region. Eastern shippers are also reacting to the increased volume coming out of Mexico. Out West, Mexico has become the main supplier with increasing volume from Nogales.

Kale

Supplies are short due to limited raw product supply. Commodity and value added products are impacted.

Squash

Supplies remain limited from FL, with fair to good quality and light volume reported. Quality from Mexico is fair to good and improving for zucchini and yellow squash.

Cucumbers-Alert

FL is generally done this time of year as imports from Honduras continue to improve with each arrival. Very good quality, color, and sizing on all grades.

Grape-Alert

Market remains strong, Chilean arrivals are not meeting demand, expect supplies to be tight all next week and into the following before more containers hit the ports and volume picks up.

Mushrooms-Alert

Quality is average and supplies are tightening across the country. The market is expected to be active and short through the end of the year coupled with strong demand.



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