

## Ingredients for your success

## Top Produce Items

### Asparagus-Alert

With supplies dropping further out of Peru and awaiting Mexican production increases, the market has remained short in supply with markets rising. Possible relief is toward the end of next week, but it is more likely to see two more weeks of current markets.

### Avocados-Alert

Mexican supply is steady with promos on small fruit. The CA and Peru seasons are winding down. The percentage of Loca crop #2 fruit remains low, with the next bloom on the Aventejada variety set to harvest in early September.

### Limes-Alert

Most lime growing regions are in a drought. We are in a transition as the old crop winds down and we are 2-3 weeks away from the new crop starting. Quality is fair. Size is peaking on 250ct and 230ct, with 200ct and larger getting extremely tight.

### Berries-Mix

Blackberry quality is good. The new crop in CA is attributing to this as fruit size is large and flavor is good. Blueberry quality is mixed due to fruit being transferred in from multiple growing regions outside of CA. BC fruit is still soft but improving. Raspberries are in good shape with great supply to meet all demand.

### Strawberries

Strawberries continue to see improved quality, and the supply is good and able to meet demand.



### Broccoli & Cauliflower

Broccoli quality is fair as warm temps followed by cool have caused irregular and occasional brown bead. Cauliflower quality is fair with occasional irregular sizing and minor discoloration. Market remains calm with good supply to meet demand.

### Celery

Quality is good in all growing areas. The market is fair to weak with product coming from CA and MI.

### Melons

Increased harvests for cantaloupe and lower demand have caused the market to settle over the past week on the larger sizes. Volume is peaking currently on 9/9Js with a decent percentage of 12ct being harvested daily. Honeydew production remains very steady with a nice mix of 5/6cts.

### Citrus

Lemons: Small sized lemons are plentiful, and the market is decreasing due to heavy import supplies. Markets on large sizes are increasing and quality is good. Oranges: supplies are very short due to heavy demand from schools. Large sizes have good availability. Quality is fair with re-greening being an issue.

### Lettuce Leaf

Green and Red leaf in heavy supply with good quality. Romaine with fair quality and lighter suppliers. Iceberg continues with lighter weights and steady supply. High temps in Central California growing region could create some further quality issues next week.

### Onions

The market is easing due to increased supplies from WA and ID. Super Colossal supplies are very short and look to be light all season. Quality is good.

### Peppers-Alert

Green bells have moderated and will remain that way all week. Colored bell peppers are extremely limited and very difficult now.

### Tomatoes

The market is strong but steady. The new crop harvest has begun but will take a couple weeks for supplies to increase, and we should then see the market decrease. Large sizes (40-50ct) will be light in supply this year. Quality is good.

### Avocados

The market is extremely active and supplies are limited. Combined volume from Mexico, California and Peru is not enough to meet demand. Flexibility on size, grade and COO will be needed to fill orders.

### Sweet Potatoes

The market is active and expected to become very tight over the next few weeks.

### Cilantro

Market is active due to lighter supplies and strong demand.

### Pineapple

Pineapple volume continues to remain below normal levels, we expect this to continue for the next 2- 4 weeks. Large fruit continues to be extremely tight.

### Mushrooms

Markets are starting to get active as demand is not able to keep up with current available supply. Compost for suppliers has been compromised for some thus delaying the production of mushrooms.



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