



BAYSHORE PRODUCE

Weekly Market
Guide
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Overview / Alerts

OVERVIEW

We are still experiencing winter weather related issues in our growing regions which has caused some quality issues with commodities. We are keeping a close eye on this and will send out updates accordingly.

PRODUCT ALERTS



Kale



Peppers



Celery



Cabbage



Green Onion



Strawberries

TRANSPORTATION / WEATHER

TRANSPORTATION



Freight rates have improved as overall fuel costs are down however still expecting equipment and driver shortages nationwide. Mexico is experiencing Fuel Shortage due to corruption. We haven't seen this affect supply crossing quite yet but it could over the coming weeks.



WEATHER

Hermosillo: Mixed weather all week, sun clouds rain and warm days and cold nights.

Jalisco: Mostly sunny with some clouds all week, cool days and cold nights.

Culiacan: Mostly cloudy, warm days and cold nights.

Yuma: Cloudy all week some rain, cool temps.

Palmetto: Cloudy all week, a little warm than it has been

Fruits

CROP REPORT



Apples – Good quality on all varieties.



Avocado - Mexican quality is very good and markets are adjusting now that Game Day demand is over.



Banana - The market getting active as supplies expect to be lower for the next 2-3 weeks. Quality remains good.



Blackberries – Overall quality is fair to good, watch for under ripe fruit and rain damage.



Blueberries – Watch for fruit rot and shrivel from the long transit time from South America.

ALERT

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Fruits

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Grapes - The market is active (strong), extremely limited supplies arriving. Peru is winding down and Chilean volume is very low due to weather. Arrivals continue to be hit and miss and are not meeting demand, due to the slow start in Chile. Expect supplies to be tight the next 2-3 weeks.



Lemons - Good supplies of all sizes and grades, and quality is very good.



Limes – Quality is mostly fair due to weather in the growing region.



Mangoes - Good supply and good availability



Melons Cantaloupe – Supplies are good on the West Coast, with a good run of sizes. Cantaloupe quality is good. Supply should start decreasing in Feb.



Fruits

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Melon Honeydew - Production is in demand exceeds supply with no immediate end in sight. Larger fruit is extremely challenging as most arrivals from Guatemala are leaning heavier to smaller sizes. Mexican production is very short.



Oranges – Navel oranges are in good supply with all sizes and grades available. Fruit quality is very good, and exports are at their peak right now.



Pears - Pears are exhibiting light scarring, good sizing, and color.



Pineapple - The market is steady and supplies and quality are good.



Raspberries - Shorter in supply due to colder weather.

Fruits

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Strawberries – Forecasted rain could interfere with the Valentine’s Day pull in a major way. Current quality is mostly good, watch for small sizing and white shoulders—typical winter-struggles. The market is expected to be unsettled due to the unexpected drop in yields from the cold and in some areas, wet weather, affecting the harvest.



Watermelon - The market is active due to limited supplies out of central Mexico. Production from southern Mexico is expected within the next 2-3 weeks and supplies are light from Central America. FL production is light. Demand is strong and the market is rising. Quality is fair at best.



Vegetable

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Asparagus – Mexican volume continues to slowly improve. Larger sizes are very limited, and quality is fair to good. Peru is light and quality is fair to poor.



Broccoli - Quality is fair to good with some branchiness and loose beading. Market conditions continue to improve.



Cauliflower - Quality is fair to good, sizing is mostly undersized with some discoloration and oversized jacket. Market conditions continue to improve



Carrots – Good quality, no major concerns.



Corn – Lower volume from south FL is from cooler temps and rain, and just grading out to Fancy. The market is on the rise.



Celery - The market is active due to lighter supplies out of CA and FL, expected to remain unsettled



Vegetable

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Cucumber – FL is done. Imports from Honduras continue to improve with each arrival. Very good quality



Eggplant - Eggplant prices are steady but remain high due to the light supply. The cooler weather has slowed the growth process. Quality is fair to good.



Garlic - Good overall quality with occasional root plate damage.

Quality is fair with occasional discoloration due to rain cold temps. The market continues to be active due to short supplies.



Ginger - Chinese markets are mixed, quality is good. Product is available at high costs from Brazil, Costa Rica and Honduras.



Green Cabbage – Due to the cold weather, there will be lighter supplies for the next two weeks.



Green Onion - Remains very active this week due to extreme weather conditions in the East. Pricing may come down.



Vegetable

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Kale – Quality is fair. The market is active and prices are increasing.



Lettuce Iceberg – Supply is steady to high and demand is down, due to cold weather back east. We are seeing signs of frost damage from two weeks ago.



Leaf Green and Red- Supply and quality is fair. The cold weather a couple of weeks ago really slowed down the crop and also affected quality



Leaf Romaine – Supply has returned to normal. Demand was very strong last week. but has started to slow down early this week

Leaf Romaine Hearts – Demand and supplies are good.



Onions - Some staining and few defects exhibited in the white onions. Yellow onions look good.

Vegetable

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Pepper, Bell – The green bell market is active with short supplies expected through next week. FL rain curtailed the harvest for a few days and the market remains strong. Quality will be fair. Red and yellow peppers are plentiful, with good quality and a weak market.



Potato – The Potato market continues to rise as demand and pricing have increased each week. Large cartons are extremely limited as more growers are moving to Burbanks



Spinach - Spinach quality is good with occasional mildew and mechanical damage



Squash – FL supplies remain limited with fair quality as cooler temps keep volume light. Expect to see more scarring, discoloration, and misshapen squash, with better quality in zucchini



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Tomato - Rounds: Prices have dropped this week. Supplies and quality have begun to improve. Price drops will vary between the size and grade.

Romas: Prices continue to drop in price. Mexico harvests continue to improve, and quality continues to be in the good range.

Grapes: Grape tomato prices are steady for now. Supply is continuing to meet current demand and quality is good, with only some issues of discoloration being reported.

Cherries: Cherry tomatoes continue to be flat this week. Supply and quality continue to slowly improve

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