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COMMODITY/ORIGIN/DISTRICT	*MODE	SEP	SEP	SEP	SEP	SEP	SEP	SEP	TOTAL TO DATE: FINAL			
		11	12	13	14	15	16	17	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	LAST YEAR	
<b>WATERMELONS</b>												
<b>MEXICO</b>												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX	T	-	2	1	6	1	-	3	32	14	949	
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PRESIDIO, TX	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	22	-	148	
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX	T	32	28	-	58	18	9	21	433	326	7595	
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH RIO GRANDE CITY	T	1	-	-	5	5	2	9	22	47	1080	
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>		<b>33</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>10410</b>	
<b>WATERMELONS, SEEDED</b>												
<b>CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL</b>												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	2	1	-	2	1	1	1	426	444	457	
<b>INDIANA</b>												
INDIANA DISTRICT	T	4	3	3	3	3	3	2	422	394	396	
<b>MICHIGAN</b>												
MICHIGAN DISTRICT	T	2	1	1	-	-	1	-	93	68	69	
<b>OKLAHOMA</b>												
OKLAHOMA DISTRICT	T	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	69	-	-	
<b>TEXAS</b>												
ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS	T	-	-	-	3	-	-	2	381	257	283	
<b>VIRGINIA</b>												
VIRGINIA DISTRICT	T	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	45	55	55	
<b>MEXICO</b>												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	-	2	-	4	-	-	-	6	-	421	
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>1816</b>	<b>2279</b>	
<b>WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS</b>												
<b>CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL</b>												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	52	39	-	53	43	39	38	6464	6807	7128	
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	141	87	105	
<b>DELAWARE</b>												
DELAWARE DISTRICT	T	14	18	22	19	19	17	20	3060	2956	3070	
<b>INDIANA</b>												
INDIANA DISTRICT	T	75	55	35	73	43	61	38	9737	7453	8380	
<b>MARYLAND</b>												
MARYLAND DISTRICT	T	9	12	10	13	9	3	10	1903	1482	1496	
<b>MICHIGAN</b>												
MICHIGAN DISTRICT	T	52	45	45	54	40	46	52	2334	1942	2307	
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>												
NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT	T	8	11	8	12	11	7	11	3494	4456	4537	
<b>OKLAHOMA</b>												
OKLAHOMA DISTRICT	T	1	1	-	4	3	5	5	254	253	253	
<b>TEXAS</b>												
ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS	T	47	46	45	42	33	32	35	4384	5284	6286	
LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4860	8192	8192	
<b>MEXICO</b>												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	21	7	-	3	10	13	18	129	77	20884	
<b>WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS - ORGANIC</b>												
<b>CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL</b>												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	235	141	141	
<b>WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINATURE</b>												
<b>CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL</b>												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	37	30	-	30	30	27	31	1839	1198	1268	
<b>INDIANA</b>												
INDIANA DISTRICT	T	13	10	5	10	10	13	15	590	420	548	
<b>TEXAS</b>												
ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS	T	6	1	6	9	8	3	2	117	17	32	
<b>WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINATURE - ORGANIC</b>												
<b>CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL</b>												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	2	-	-	3	1	1	1	592	786	798	
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>		<b>341</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>46448</b>	<b>47081</b>	<b>71961</b>	
<b>CANTALOUPS</b>												
<b>CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL</b>												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	155	63	-	126	158	88	110	8678	11243	13908	
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	P	2	1	-	3	2	3	2	178	220	273	
<b>CANTALOUPS - ORGANIC</b>												
<b>CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL</b>												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	2	-	-	1	1	1	1	237	313	326	
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>		<b>159</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>10594</b>	<b>13283</b>	<b>16014</b>	

COMMODITY/ORIGIN/DISTRICT	*MODE	SEP							TOTAL TO DATE:		
		11	12	13	14	15	16	17	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	FINAL LAST YEAR
<b>HONEYDEWS</b>											
<b>CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL</b>											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	34	9	-	29	-	36	52	3082	3824	4593
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	P	1	1	-	2	-	1	-	99	111	141
<b>HONEYDEWS - ORGANIC</b>											
<b>CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL</b>											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	77	135	141
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>		<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>3258</b>	<b>4070</b>	<b>4875</b>

\* [T]-TRUCK, [A]-AIR, [B]-BOAT, [P]-PIGGYBACK, [R]-RAIL  
 \*\* District breakdown not available for rail/piggyback

**SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION**

Sales F.O.B Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for **Friday, September 18, 2020**. Prices represent open (spot) market sales by first handlers on product of generally good quality and condition unless otherwise stated and may include promotional allowances or other incentives. No consideration is given to after-sale adjustments unless otherwise stated. Reported prices generally include, but are not limited to, applicable brokerage fees and commissions, Customs fees and duties, U.S. packaging and U.S. freight costs prior to first sale, paid by the shipper/seller. Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis excludes all charges for freight after sale.

**SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA**

Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and/or Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis

**CANTALOUPS:** DEMAND GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 1/2 cartons 9s 10.95-13.95 mostly 12.00-13.95 12s 10.95-13.95 mostly 12.00-13.95 oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 12.00-13.95

**ORGANIC** 1/2 cartons 9s 16.95 12s 16.95

**HONEYDEWS:** SUPPLY AVAILABLE LIGHT. DEMAND GOOD. MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. Extra services included. 2/3 cartons 5s 8.00-9.00 6s 8.00-9.00 oversized 2/3 cartons 5s (4 size) 8.00-9.00 **ORGANIC** 2/3 cartons 5s 14.95 6s 14.95

**WATERMELONS:** SUPPLY AVAILABLE LIGHT. DEMAND SEEDLES 60 COUNT LIGHT, OTHERS FAIRLY GOOD.

MARKET SEEDLESS 60 COUNT LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. cartons Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 14.95-16.95 occasional higher and lower 8s 14.95-16.95 occasional higher and lower 9s 14.95-16.95 occasional higher and lower 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seeded Type approx 35 count supplies insufficient to establish a market. approx 45 count supplies insufficient to establish a market. Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count 140.00-154.00 approx 45 count 140.00-154.00 approx 60 count 126.00-140.00 **ORGANIC** cartons Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 17.95-18.95 8s 17.95-18.95 9s 17.95-18.95

**TEXAS & OKLAHOMA**

Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and/or Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis

**WATERMELONS:** DEMAND 45 COUNT GOOD, OTHERS MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. 24 inch bins per lb Red Flesh Seeded Type approx 28 count .14-.17 mostly .14-.16 occasional higher approx 35 count .14-.17 mostly .14-.16 occasional higher Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count .16-.20 mostly .18-.19 occasional higher approx 45 count .20-.23 mostly .21-.22 occasional lower approx 60 count .16-.18 mostly .16-.17

**DELAWARE, MARYLAND AND EASTERN SHORE VIRGINIA**

Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and/or Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis

**WATERMELONS:** SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND 60S LIGHT, OTHERS MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Most shipments are for previous commitments with few new sales reported. 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 133.00-140.00 occas higher 45s 140.00-154.00 mostly 147.00 occas lower 60s 119.00-126.00 few previous commitments higher few lower

**MICHIGAN**

Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and/or Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis

**WATERMELONS:** SUPPLY SEEDLESS 45S LIGHT. DEMAND RED FLESH SEEDLESS 45S MODERATE, SEEDLESS 60S LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in prices on 60s. Most shipments are from previous commitments with few new sales. Last Report on Seedless 36s 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s In too few hands to establish a market. 45s 140.00-147.00 few previous commitments lower 60s 91.00-105.00 few high as 112.00

**SOUTHWEST INDIANA AND SOUTHEAST ILLINOIS**

Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and/or Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis

**WATERMELONS:** SUPPLY SEEDLESS 45S LIGHT. DEMAND SEEDLESS 45S MODERATE, 60S LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in price on 60s. Most shipments are from previous commitments with few new sales. Last Report on Seedless 36s. 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s In too few hands to establish a market. 45s 140.00 few high as

154.00, few previous commitment lower 60s 77.00-98.00 occas high as 105.00

**WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF Friday, September 18, 2020**

This is only a sample of wholesale terminal market reports. For a complete and current listing <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/mncs/fvdaily.htm>

**ATLANTA**

**CANTALOUPS:** MARKET HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 19.00-22.50 occas 27.00 12s 19.00-24.00 mostly 21.50 few 30.00

**HONEYDEWS:** MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 12.00-15.50 mostly 14.50-15.50 occas higher 6s 12.50-14.50 mostly 13.50-14.50 occas higher 8s 11.50-13.50 mostly 13.00-13.50 occas higher

**WATERMELONS:** OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. flat cartons MW Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 31.75 24 inch bins IN Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 150.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 180.00-220.75 mostly 180.00-190.00 45s 180.00-190.00 60s supplies insufficient to quote

**BOSTON**

**CANTALOUPS:** MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 18.00-21.00 12s 18.00-20.00 15s 18.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 20.00-24.00 mostly 22.00

**HONEYDEWS:** MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 14.00-17.00 6s 14.00-17.00 8s 15.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CA 5s (4 size) 14.00-17.00

**WATERMELONS:** MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 24 inch bins per melon DE Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 4.00-5.00 mostly 5.00 occas lower OK Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 9.00-10.00 45s 6.00-6.50 60s 4.50-5.00 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 9.00-10.00 45s 6.00-6.50 60s 4.50-5.00

**CHICAGO**

**CANTALOUPS:** MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 14.00-18.00 mostly 15.00-16.00 12s 14.00-16.00 15s 15.00-16.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00

**HONEYDEWS:** MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 10.00-14.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 6s 13.00-14.00 8s 13.00-14.00 golden 5s 20.00 7s 18.50 oversized 2/3 cartons CA 5s (4 size) offerings insufficient to quote

**WATERMELONS:** MARKET STEADY. cartons per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 30.00-32.00 occas lower 24 inch bins

IL Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 175.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 60s 170.00-175.00 Black Diamond 60s 175.00 occas higher IN Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 165.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 130.00 60s 140.00 MI Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 180.00 60s 160.00 NM Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 266.00 60s 266.00

**ORGANIC-CANTALOUPS:** 1/2 cartons CA 9s 24.50 12s 23.50-24.50

**ORGANIC-HONEYDEWS:** 2/3 cartons CA 5s 22.50 6s 22.50

**ORGANIC-WATERMELONS:** flat cartons per carton WI Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 26.50 8s 26.50

### LOS ANGELES

**CANTALOUPS:** MARKET ABOUT

STEADY. wide range in quality and condition 1/2 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 9s 16.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 occas lower 12s 14.00-16.00 mostly 15.00-16.00 few 17.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 9s (6 size) 16.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 occas lower

**HONEYDEWS:** OFFERINGS GOLDEN TYPE VERY LIGHT. MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. wide range in quality and condition 2/3 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 5s 10.00-12.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 occas higher/lower 6s 10.00-12.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 occas lower golden 5s 8.00-10.00 occas higher/lower oversized 2/3 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 5s (4 size) 10.00-12.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 occas lower

**WATERMELONS:** OFFERINGS YELLOW FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE AND RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE BINS VERY LIGHT. MARKET STEADY. cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 22.00-25.00 mostly 23.00-24.00 few 26.00 occas lower Yellow Flesh Seedless Type 5s 33.00-34.00 occas higher/lower flat cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 18.00-20.00 few 22.00 8s 20.00-22.00 few 24.00 24 inch bins CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 190.00-200.00 few 210.00 occas higher 60s 170.00-180.00 occas higher 80s 135.00-145.00 occas lower

**ORGANIC-CANTALOUPS:** 1/2 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 9s 30.00 12s 32.00 15s 32.00 Tuscan Type 6s 29.00 occas higher/lower

**ORGANIC-WATERMELONS:** cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 45.00 occas higher/lower flat cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 11s 29.00 occas higher/lower 24 inch bins CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 475.00 occas higher/lower

### MIAMI

**CANTALOUPS:** OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 21.00-24.50 mostly 21.00-23.50 occas higher and lower 12s 21.00-24.50 mostly 21.00-24.00 occas higher and lower

**HONEYDEWS:** OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 17.00-20.00 mostly 17.00-19.00 occas higher and lower 6s 17.00-20.00 mostly 17.00-19.00 occas higher and lower

**WATERMELONS:** OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 24 inch bins per melon DE Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 36 count 5.00 occas higher and lower approx 45 count 4.00-4.50 occas higher and lower approx 60 count 3.00 occas higher and lower IN Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 45 count 4.00-4.50 occas higher and lower NC Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 45 count 4.00-4.50 occas higher and lower approx 60 count 3.00 occas higher and lower

### NEW YORK

**CANTALOUPS:** MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 20.00-23.00 mostly 22.00 12s 21.00-23.00 occas lower oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 22.00-25.00 mostly 23.00-24.00 flat cartons CA 9s (6 size) 24.00

**HONEYDEWS:** MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 15.00-16.00 fine appear 18.00-20.00 6s 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00 holdovers 13.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CA 5s (4 size) 18.00

**WATERMELONS:** MARKET STEADY. cartons TX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 24.00-26.00 24 inch bins DE Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 220.00 45s 220.00 60s 220.00 GA Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 60s 200.00 IN Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 220.00 45s 220.00 60s 220.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 28s 320.00 36s 300.00 45s 300.00 60s 280.00-300.00 NC Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 210.00-220.00 45s 210.00-220.00 60s 210.00-220.00 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 60s 250.00-260.00 VA Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 45s Offerings insufficient to quote cartons 4s per carton DE Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb avg 34.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb avg 34.00-38.00 mostly 36.00 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 30.00-32.00 cartons 5s per carton TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 30.00-32.00

### PHILADELPHIA

**CANTALOUPS:** MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 22.00 12s 20.00-24.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 24.00

**HONEYDEWS:** MARKET 5-6S HIGHER, OTHERS STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 15.00-20.00 6s 15.00-20.00 8s 12.00-13.00 orange flesh 5s ord cond 3.00 6s ord cond 3.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CA 6s (5 size) 18.00

**WATERMELONS:** MARKET MD 60S HIGHER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. cartons per carton Local Repack Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 4s 26.00 5s 26.00 24 inch bins DE Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 200.00 45s 200.00 60s 160.00-180.00 MD Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 45s 168.00-180.00 60s

160.00-180.00 SOME LOWER Sangria 36s 150.00 45s 150.00 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 45s 200.00