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SHIPMENTS - IN 40,000 LB UNITS, OR 1000 40-LB PACKAGES - FROM 21-SEP-2020 TO 27-SEP-2020

COMMODITY/ORIGIN/DISTRICT	*MODE	SEP	SEP	SEP	SEP	SEP	SEP	SEP	TOTAL TO DATE: FINAL			
		21	22	23	24	25	26	27	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	LAST YEAR	
WATERMELONS												
MEXICO												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH EL PASO, TX	T	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	32	
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	57	37	606	
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX	T	3	10	3	2	9	6	-	77	14	949	
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PRESIDIO, TX	T	1	-	-	2	5	-	-	30	-	150	
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX	T	70	24	45	59	47	35	-	758	526	7595	
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH RIO GRANDE CITY	T	12	6	8	5	8	4	-	74	77	1080	
GRAND TOTALS		86	41	57	70	69	45	-	998	655	10412	
WATERMELONS, SEEDED												
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	431	457	457	
INDIANA												
INDIANA DISTRICT	T	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	427	396	396	
MICHIGAN												
MICHIGAN DISTRICT	T	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	98	69	69	
TEXAS												
ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS	T	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	383	272	283	
MEXICO												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	8	-	421	
GRAND TOTALS		2	4	2	1	-	-	-	2006	1807	2239	
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS												
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	27	25	25	25	25	18	9	6675	7014	7128	
DELAWARE												
DELAWARE DISTRICT	T	16	7	15	9	4	4	4	3150	3039	3070	
INDIANA												
INDIANA DISTRICT	T	44	34	31	44	30	32	15	10029	7725	8380	
MARYLAND												
MARYLAND DISTRICT	T	7	3	3	1	1	1	1	1936	1496	1496	
MICHIGAN												
MICHIGAN DISTRICT	T	55	52	44	29	31	26	9	2702	2234	2307	
NORTH CAROLINA												
NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT	T	11	6	7	8	4	3	1	3559	4523	4537	
OKLAHOMA												
OKLAHOMA DISTRICT	T	-	18	2	4	-	-	-	291	253	253	
TEXAS												
ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS	T	27	31	22	32	15	14	9	4578	5828	6286	
LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4860	8192	8192	
CANADA												
IMPORTS THROUGH DETROIT	T	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	6	-	-	
MEXICO												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	17	20	34	26	34	34	-	323	226	20884	
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINATURE												
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	23	24	19	23	24	17	-	2006	1253	1268	
INDIANA												
INDIANA DISTRICT	T	10	6	4	4	4	3	1	642	506	548	
TEXAS												
ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS	T	3	4	11	2	4	-	-	154	30	32	
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINATURE - ORGANIC												
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	600	798	798	
GRAND TOTALS		244	235	221	211	178	157	51	48230	48634	71961	
CANTALOUPS												
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	73	68	65	64	61	50	26	9276	12349	13908	
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	P	4	4	3	3	3	1	-	202	244	273	
CANADA												
IMPORTS THROUGH DERBY LINE (VERMONT)	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
IMPORTS THROUGH JACKMAN (MAINE)	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HURON (MICHIGAN)	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	
CANTALOUPS - ORGANIC												
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL												
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	242	326	326	
GRAND TOTALS		78	73	69	68	65	51	26	11221	14426	16014	

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		21	22	23	24	25	26	27	SEP THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	LAST YEAR
HONEYDEWS											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	39	31	27	29	27	20	-	3345	4203	4593
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	P	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	103	125	141
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	-	1	2	1	1	3	-	10	-	2955
GRAND TOTALS		39	32	31	30	28	23	-	3536	4469	7830

* [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 **Monday, September 28, 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: SUPPLY AVAILABLE LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. 1/2 cartons 9s 13.00-15.95 mostly 13.00-14.95 occasional lower 12s 13.00-15.95 mostly 13.00-14.95 occasional lower oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 13.00-15.95 mostly 13.00-14.95 occasional lower

ORGANIC 1/2 cartons 9s 16.95 12s 16.95
HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY AVAILABLE LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 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: DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. 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 Seedless Type approx 35 count 140.00-154.00 mostly 154.00 approx 45 count 133.00-154.00 mostly 140.00-154.00 approx 60 count 140.00-154.00 **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 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 .19-.23 mostly .20-.22 occasional lower approx 60 count .16-.18 mostly .16-.17

MICHIGAN

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND RED FLESH SEEDLESS 45S GOOD SEEDLESS 60S FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET RED FLESH SEEDLESS 45S HIGHER. SEEDLESS 60S ABOUT STEADY. Some harvest curtailed due to rain and wet fields. 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 154.00 60s 119.00-126.00 occas lower

SOUTHWEST INDIANA AND SOUTHEAST ILLINOIS

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY IN TOO FEW HANDS TO ESTABLISH A MARKET.

WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF Monday, September 28, 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 ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 24.00-28.00 few 21.00 12s 21.00-24.00 mostly 24.00
HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 16.50-17.00 few 19.50-21.00 6s 16.50-17.00 few 19.50-21.00 8s 14.50
WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 31.75 24 inch bins IN Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 150.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 169.00-190.00 60s 148.00

BOSTON

CANTALOUPS: MARKET HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 20.00-24.00 mostly 22.00 ord cond 8.00-12.00 12s 22.00-24.00 ord cond 8.00-12.00 15s 23.00-24.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 22.00-24.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET 5-6S SLIGHTLY HIGHER, 8S SLIGHTLY LOWER. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 16.00-18.00 6s 16.00-18.00 8s 15.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET 36S ABOUT STEADY, MINITURES LOWER, OTHERS SLIGHTLY LOWER. flat cartons TX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 16.00-18.00 24 inch bins per melon TX Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 9.00 45s 6.00 60s 4.50

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPS: MARKET HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 18.00-20.00 12s 20.00 15s 19.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 18.00-22.00 mostly 19.00-20.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET HIGHER. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 16.00-17.00 6s 16.00-17.00 8s 14.00 golden 5s 20.00 7s 18.50 oversized 2/3 cartons CA 5s (4 size) 16.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET 5S HIGHER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. cartons per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 30.00-34.00 mostly 31.00-32.00 occas higher 6s 30.00-32.00 24 inch bins IL Red Flesh Seeded Type 60s 175.00 occas higher Red Flesh Seedless Type 60s 170.00-175.00 occas higher Black Diamond 60s 175.00 occas higher TX Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 175.00 few low as 170.00

ORGANIC-CANTALOUPS: 1/2 cartons CA 9s 24.50 12s 23.50-24.50
ORGANIC-WATERMELONS: flat cartons per carton WI Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 26.50 8s 26.50

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS TUSCAN TYPE VERY LIGHT. 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 17.00-18.00 Tuscan Type 8s 14.00 occas higher/lower oversized 1/2 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 9s (6 size) 16.00-18.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 occas lower
HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS GOLDEN TYPE VERY LIGHT. MARKET STEADY. 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 INSUFFICIENT TO QUOTE. MARKET RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE TYPE ABOUT STEADY, OTHERS 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 flat cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 18.00-20.00 occas higher 8s 18.00-20.00 occas higher 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 15s 20.00
ORGANIC-HONEYDEWS: 2/3 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 6s 24.00
ORGANIC-WATERMELONS: flat cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 11s 24.00 occas higher/lower

MIAMI

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 23.00-26.00 occas higher and lower 12s 23.00-26.00 occas higher and lower
HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 18.50-23.00 mostly 18.50-22.50 occas higher and lower 6s 18.50-23.00 mostly 18.50-22.50 occas higher and lower
WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 24 inch bins per melon TX Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 45 count 3.50-4.00 occas higher and lower approx 60 count 3.00 occas higher and lower

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 22.00-24.00 12s 24.00 holdovers 18.00 fr appear holdovers 13.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 22.00-24.00 flat cartons CA 9s (6 size) offerings insufficient to quote 12s 22.00
HONEYDEWS: MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 16.00 fineappear 16.00-18.50 fr appear holdovers 10.00 6s 16.00 fineappear 18.00-18.50 6s (5 size) 16.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CA 5s (4 size) fineappear 18.00-18.50 fr appear holdovers 12.00
WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. cartons DE Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s Offerings insufficient to quote MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s Offerings insufficient to quote 24 inch bins DE Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s Offerings insufficient to quote 45s Offerings insufficient to quote 60s Offerings insufficient to quote IN Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 60s offerings insufficient to quote MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 28s Offerings insufficient to quote 36s Offerings insufficient to quote fineappear 300.00-320.00 45s Offerings insufficient to quote 60s Offerings insufficient to quote NC Red Flesh Seedless

Type Round Varieties 45s fr appear Offerings insufficient to quote 60s 200.00 OK Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s Offerings insufficient to quote 45s Offerings insufficient to quote TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s Offerings insufficient to quote

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPS: MARKET LOWER. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 23.00 12s 23.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 24.00
HONEYDEWS: MARKET HIGHER. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 17.00-18.00 6s 18.00 8s 10.00-11.00 mostly 10.00 golden 5s 15.50 6s 14.50
WATERMELONS: MARKET 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 180.00-220.00 45s 200.00 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 250.00 45s 240.00