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| WATERMELONS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IMPORTS THROUGH SAN JUAN (PUERTO RICO) | B | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 3 | - | 6 |
| MEXICO | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA | T | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | 5 | 55 | 460 |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PRESIDIO, TX | T | 3 | 3 | - | - | 1 | - | - | 16 | 22 | 226 |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX | T | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | 478 | 6693 |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH SANTA TERESA, NMT | T | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 30 | - | 132 |
| GRAND TOTALS | | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 4 | - | - | 119 | 556 | 8237 |

WATERMELONS, SEEDED

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| INDIANA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| INDIANA DISTRICT | T | 4 | - | - | - | 6 | 3 | 1 | 558 | 425 | 427 |
| MICHIGAN | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MICHIGAN DISTRICT | T | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 74 | 97 | 98 |
| OKLAHOMA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OKLAHOMA DISTRICT | T | 3 | - | - | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 65 | 69 | 69 |
| TEXAS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS | T | 5 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 323 | 382 | 412 |
| GRAND TOTALS | | 14 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 14 | 10 | 7 | 1856 | 1916 | 2126 |

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| WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT | T | 41 | 31 | 32 | 30 | 34 | 20 | 10 | 5154 | 6522 | 6920 |
| SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT | P | 4 | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 74 | 141 | 144 |
| DELAWARE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DELAWARE DISTRICT | T | 36 | 32 | 31 | 24 | 19 | 20 | 17 | 3070 | 3092 | 3172 |
| INDIANA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| INDIANA DISTRICT | T | 90 | 51 | 64 | 24 | 85 | 70 | 60 | 8232 | 9782 | 10152 |
| MARYLAND | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MARYLAND DISTRICT | T | 16 | 17 | 21 | 19 | 16 | 16 | 21 | 1981 | 1919 | 1948 |
| MICHIGAN | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MICHIGAN DISTRICT | T | 45 | 49 | 18 | 41 | 55 | 55 | 58 | 1861 | 2456 | 2829 |
| NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT | T | 6 | 2 | 6 | 11 | 1 | - | 3 | 4432 | 3519 | 3575 |
| OKLAHOMA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OKLAHOMA DISTRICT | T | 10 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 7 | 445 | 267 | 297 |
| TEXAS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS | T | 39 | 44 | 43 | 33 | 40 | 43 | 38 | 4016 | 4422 | 5107 |
| VIRGINIA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| VIRGINIA DISTRICT | T | 3 | 17 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 384 | 271 | 353 |
| CANADA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IMPORTS THROUGH BUFFALO | T | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 8 | - | - |
| IMPORTS THROUGH DETROIT | T | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | 2 | 3 | 9 |
| MEXICO | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA | T | - | 13 | 2 | 3 | - | - | - | 56 | - | 423 |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX | T | 2 | 3 | - | 8 | 5 | - | - | 69 | - | 546 |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PRESIDIO, TX | T | 2 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 6 | - | - | 54 | - | 146 |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX | T | 11 | 7 | 43 | 21 | 2 | - | - | 268 | - | 1257 |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES | T | 6 | 12 | 13 | 8 | 17 | 11 | - | 135 | 160 | 24671 |

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| WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINIATURE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT | T | 19 | 15 | - | 19 | 15 | 15 | - | 1339 | 1892 | 2234 |
| INDIANA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| INDIANA DISTRICT | T | 7 | 22 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 6 | 3 | 435 | 608 | 672 |
| WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINIATURE- ORGANIC | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT | T | 7 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 4 | - | - | 687 | 596 | 627 |
| GRAND TOTALS | | 345 | 330 | 306 | 274 | 324 | 270 | 221 | 39227 | 41962 | 73782 |

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| CANTALOUPS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT | T | 114 | 106 | 121 | 118 | 123 | 84 | 40 | 7440 | 8870 | 10131 |
| SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT | P | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | - | 98 | 183 | 245 |
| CANADA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HURON (MICHIGAN) | T | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| CANTALOUPS - ORGANIC | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT | T | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | - | - | 252 | 238 | 259 |
| GRAND TOTALS | | 121 | 111 | 129 | 124 | 127 | 86 | 40 | 9269 | 10792 | 12138 |

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| HONEYDEWS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT | T | 35 | 36 | 37 | 24 | 37 | 26 | 15 | 2643 | 3172 | 3727 |
| SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT | P | 3 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 33 | 101 | 118 |
| CANADA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IMPORTS THROUGH CHAMPLAIN (NEW YORK) | T | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - |
| MEXICO | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA | T | - | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 5 | - | 139 |
| GRAND TOTALS | | 38 | 38 | 37 | 26 | 38 | 26 | 15 | 2791 | 3351 | 4075 |

* [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 **September 20, 2021**. 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 MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. 1/2 cartons 9s 9.00-10.00 mostly 9.00 occasional lower 12s 7.50-9.50 mostly 8.50-9.00 occasional lower oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 9.00-10.95 mostly 9.00 occasional lower **ORGANIC** 1/2 cartons 9s 14.95-16.95 12s 14.95-16.95

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND VERY GOOD. MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. Extra services included. 2/3 cartons 5s 13.95-16.95 mostly 14.95-16.95 6s 13.95-16.95 mostly 14.95-16.95 **ORGANIC** 2/3 cartons 8s 16.95

WATERMELONS: DEMAND FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. cartons Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 8.95-13.95 mostly 10.95-12.95 occasional lower 8s 8.95-13.95 mostly 12.95 occasional lower 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count 90.00-126.00 mostly 112.00-119.00 occasional lower approx 45 count 105.00-126.00 mostly 119.00 occasional lower approx 60 count 105.00-126.00 mostly 119.00 occasional lower **ORGANIC** cartons Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 14.95-16.95 mostly 15.95-16.95

TEXAS & OKLAHOMA

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

WATERMELONS: DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Wide range in price. 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count 91.00-119.00 mostly 98.00-105.00 few 126.00 occasional higher approx 45 count 112.00-147.00 mostly 119.00-126.00 occasional higher approx 60 count 98.00-112.00

DELAWARE, MARYLAND AND EASTERN SHORE VIRGINIA

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Most shipments are for previous commitments or prior sales. Few new sales reported. 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 112.00-126.00 mostly 119.00 few including previous commitments 133.00-140.00 45s 119.00-140.00 mostly 126.00-133.00 few including previous commitments higher and lower 60s 98.00-112.00 mostly 105.00 occas higher and lower

MICHIGAN

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Trucking freight affecting prices. Most sales based on previous commitments with few new sales. Morning harvest curtailed due to wet fields. 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 91.00-112.00 occas lower, few previous commitments high as 135.00 45s 105.00-119.00 occas low as 91.00, few previous commitment high as 135.00 60s 105.00-119.00 occas low as 91.00, few previous commitments high as 135.00

SOUTHWEST INDIANA AND SOUTHEAST ILLINOIS

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Some trucking freight affecting some prices. Some sales based on previous commitments with few new sales. **LAST REPORT ON SEEDED.** 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s In too few hands to establish a market. Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 90.00-105.00 occas lower, few sales including previous commitments high as 130.00 45s 90.00-112.00 occas lower, few sales including previous commitments high as 130.00 60s 90.00-105.00 occas lower, few sales including previous commitments high as 130.00

WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF September 20, 2021.

This is only a sample of wholesale terminal market reports. For a complete and current listing <https://www.marketnews.usda.gov/mnp/fv-home>

ATLANTA

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 19.75-23.00 mostly 21.50-22.00 12s 21.00-26.00 mostly 24.50-26.00 occas higher

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 20.00-23.00 mostly 21.00-22.00 occas higher 6s 20.00-23.00 mostly 20.50-21.00 few 25.00-26.75 8s 18.00-22.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 occas 23.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. 24 inch bins IN Red Flesh Seeded Type 28s 175.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 160.00-200.00 mostly 175.00-185.00 60s 160.00-163.00

BOSTON

CANTALOUPS: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 18.00-22.00 mostly 20.00-22.00 12s 18.00-22.00 mostly 20.00 15s 20.00 flat cartons CA Tuscan Type 8s 18.00-20.00 mostly 18.00 Heirloom Variety 11s 18.00-20.00 mostly 18.00 Heirloom Variety **HONEYDEWS:** MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 24.00-27.00 mostly 25.00 6s 22.00-28.00 mostly 25.00 8s 18.00-22.00 mostly 20.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CA 5s (4 size) Offerings insufficient to quote.

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flat cartons TX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 20.00 24 inch bins per melon IN Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 10-14 lb avg 5.00 15-19 lb avg 5.00-6.00 mostly 5.50 20-24 lb avg 6.00-7.50 mostly 6.50 NC Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 15-19 lb avg 5.00 OK Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 10-14 lb avg 4.50-5.00 mostly 5.00 fr cond 3.00 15-19 lb avg 5.50-6.00 mostly 6.00 20-24 lb avg 8.00-9.00 mostly 8.50 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 10-14 lb avg 4.50-5.00 mostly 5.00 15-19 lb avg 5.50-6.00 mostly 6.00 20-24 lb avg 8.00-9.00 mostly 8.50

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 18.00-19.00 12s 16.00-17.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 18.00-20.00 flat cartons CA 9s (6 size) 20.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET HIGHER. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 22.00-24.50 mostly 23.00-24.00 5s (4 size) 22.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 30.00-32.00 Local Repack Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 28.00 24 inch bins IN Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 120.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 145.00-150.00 60s 140.00-150.00 MI Red Flesh Seeded Type 28s 180.00 35s 180.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 180.00 60s 180.00

ORGANIC CANTALOUPS: 1/2 cartons CA 12s Offerings insufficient to quote.

HONEYDEWS: 2/3 cartons CA 5s Offerings insufficient to quote. 6s Offerings insufficient to quote.

WATERMELONS: cartons CA Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s Offerings insufficient to quote. 24 inch bins WI Red Flesh Seedless Type 60s Offerings insufficient to quote. 80s Offerings insufficient to quote.

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPS: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 9s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 occas lower 12s 12.00-14.00 mostly 13.00-14.00 occas higher/lower oversized 1/2 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 9s (6 size) 12.00-14.00 mostly 13.00-13.50 occas higher/lower

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 5s 18.00-20.00 mostly 19.00-20.00 few high as 22.00 6s 18.00-20.00 mostly 19.00-20.00 few high as 22.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 5s (4 size) 18.00-20.00 mostly 19.00-20.00 occas higher

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. wide range in quality and condition cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 18.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 occas higher 5s 22.00-24.00 mostly 22.00-23.00 occas lower fr qual 16.00-18.00 poorer quality and condition lower 6s 19.00-21.00 mostly 19.00-20.00 occas higher flat cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 12.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-13.00 occas higher/lower 8s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 occas lower 24 inch bins CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 160.00-165.00 occas lower Red Flesh Seedless Type 30s 135.00-140.00 occas lower 36s 160.00-165.00 occas lower 45s 165.00-170.00 occas higher/lower 60s 160.00-165.00 occas lower

ORGANIC CANTALOUPS: 1/2 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 9s 29.00

HONEYDEWS: 2/3 cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California 6s 22.00

WATERMELONS: flat cartons CA San Joaquin Valley California Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 11s 24.00-25.00 occas higher/lower

MIAMI

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 23.00-26.00 mostly 23.00-25.00 occas higher and lower 12s 23.00-26.00 mostly 23.00-25.00 occas higher and lower

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 21.00-24.00 mostly 21.00-23.50 occas higher and lower 6s 21.00-24.00 mostly 21.00-23.50 occas higher and lower

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 24 inch bins per melon NC Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 45 count 4.00-4.50 occas higher and lower approx 60 count 3.50-4.00 occas higher and lower VA 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 3.50-4.00 occas higher and lower

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPS: MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 20.00-22.00 fineappear 24.00-25.00 12s 20.00 holdovers 16.00 fineappear 21.00-22.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 23.00-25.00 fineappear 25.00-26.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 32.00-34.00 holdovers 30.00 fineappear 36.00-38.00 occas higher 5s (4 size) 32.00 fineappear 34.00 occas higher 6s 28.00 fineappear 32.00-34.00 few 36.00-38.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 24 inch bins DE Red Flesh Seeded Type 28s Offerings insufficient to quote Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 200.00-220.00 45s 200.00-220.00 60s 200.00-220.00 Sugar Baby 36s Offerings insufficient to quote 45s 150.00 60s 140.00 IN Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 260.00 45s 260.00 60s 200.00 OK Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 45s 200.00-220.00 60s 200.00-220.00 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s fineappear 370.00-380.00 45s Offerings insufficient to quote cartons 4s per carton IN Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 30.00-32.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 30.00 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 36.00-38.00

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPS: MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 22.00 holdovers 18.00 12s 20.00-21.00 holdovers 18.00 15s Offerings insufficient to quote oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 23.00-24.00

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 29.00-30.00 6s 29.00-30.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CA 5s (4 size) 29.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. 24 inch bins DE Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 170.00 45s 160.00 60s 160.00-170.00 MI Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 200.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 220.00 45s 220.00 NC Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 160.00 45s 140.00 60s 140.00 PA Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 45s fr qual 140.00