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SHIPMENTS - IN 40,000 LB UNITS, OR 1000 40-LB PACKAGES - FROM 09-JAN-2020 TO 15-JAN-2020

										TOTAL TO DATE:	FINAL
COMMODITY/ORIGIN/DISTRICT	*MODE	JAN 09	JAN 10	JAN 11	JAN 12	JAN 13	JAN 14	JAN 15	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	LAST YEAR
WATERMELONS											
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT (TEXAS)	B	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	4	-	13
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	59	283
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HUENEME (CALIF)	B	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	18	14	52
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	78	-	-	-	-	459	210	1408
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	30	-	-
HONDURAS											
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	80	-	-	-	-	165	109	1707
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH EL PASO, TX	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	25
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	1	-	-	2	-	3	-	147	69	409
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX	T	2	1	-	1	5	3	-	43	30	630
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX	T	56	33	42	-	81	30	-	2862	2230	7811
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH RIO GRANDE CITY	T	-	1	-	-	14	-	-	402	390	1129
GRAND TOTALS		59	35	210	3	100	36	-	4213	3112	13467

WATERMELONS, SEEDED

MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	126	127	537
GRAND TOTALS		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	126	127	537

WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS

MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	36	38	31	-	36	28	38	5168	4838	24594
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS - ORGANIC											
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	87	75	208
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINATURE											
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	8	2	1	-	2	2	3	681	402	1296
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINATURE - ORGANIC											
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	39	100
GRAND TOTALS		44	40	32	-	38	30	35	5909	5368	26194

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CANTALOUPS											
COSTA RICA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HUENEME (CALIF)	B	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	7	4	283
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	27	239
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH BROOKLYN (NYC)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT (TEXAS)	B	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	6
IMPORTS THROUGH GALVESTON (TEXAS)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	34	41
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	21	1	8
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	-	-	29	-	-	-	-	287	353	1515
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1390	810	1744
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HUENEME (CALIF)	B	-	-	54	-	-	-	-	821	157	586
IMPORTS THROUGH SEATTLE-TACOMA	B	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	12	5	9
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	72	-	-	-	-	3119	1612	3558
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	74	53	79
HONDURAS											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT (TEXAS)	B	-	-	15	-	-	-	-	15	-	169
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	5	1	7
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	14	52	1424
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HUENEME (CALIF)	B	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	8	-	5
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	175	-	-	-	-	235	281	2226
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	35	27	210
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	672	666	1401
GRAND TOTALS		-	-	397	-	-	-	-	6737	4083	13510

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HONEYDEWS											
BRAZIL											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	1
COSTA RICA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HUENEME (CALIF)	B	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH GALVESTON (TEXAS)	B	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	10	-	1
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	7	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	39	107	416
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	241	286	513
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HUENEME (CALIF)	B	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	159	27	65
IMPORTS THROUGH SEATTLE-TACOMA	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	90	-	-	-	-	721	458	1265
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	26	5	14
HONDURAS											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT (TEXAS)	B	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	5	-	41
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	43	-	-	-	-	154	101	966
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5	5	71
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX	T	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	86
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	10	9	7	-	10	9	8	1358	1830	3639
GRAND TOTALS		11	9	181	-	10	9	8	2736	2820	7078

* [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 **Thursday, January 16, 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.

CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS - PORTS OF ENTRY SOUTH FLORIDA

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

CANTALOUPS: SUPPLY MODERATE. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. By Boat. GUATEMALA and HONDURAS. 1/2 cartons 9s 10.95-11.95 mostly 10.95 occas lower 12s 9.95-10.95 occas lower 15s 9.95-10.95 mostly 9.95 occas lower oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 11.95 occas lower

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY MODERATE. DEMAND EXCEEDS SUPPLY. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. By Boat. GUATEMALA and HONDURAS. 2/3 cartons 4s 18.95 occas lower 5s 18.85-20.95 mostly 18.95-19.85 occas lower 6s 18.85-20.95 mostly 18.95-19.95 occas lower 8s 17.85-18.95 mostly 18.95 occas lower 9s supply in too few hands to quote oversized 2/3 cartons 5s (4 size) 18.95-20.95 mostly 19.95-20.95

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY MODERATE. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET 6S **HIGHER**, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. By Boat. GUATEMALA and HONDURAS. flat cartons Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 14.95 8s 13.95-14.95 9s 12.95 occas lower

CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS - PORTS OF ENTRY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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

CANTALOUPS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS 1/2 cartons 9s 11.95-12.95 occas lower 12s 11.95-12.95 occas lower 15s 10.95 oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 12.95-13.95 occas higher **HONEYDEWS:** SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS 2/3 cartons 5s 16.95-18.95 6s 17.95-18.95 8s 17.95-18.95 oversized 2/3 cartons 5s (4 size) 18.95

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES, ARIZONA

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

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY AVAILABLE VERY LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Quality and condition variable. 2/3 cartons 5s 12.95-16.95 mostly 13.95-15.95 occasional higher 6s 12.95-16.95 mostly 13.95-15.95 occasional higher **WATERMELONS:** SUPPLY AVAILABLE LIGHT. DEMAND CARTONS GOOD, OTHERS FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Quality and condition variable. cartons Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 12.95-14.95 8s

12.95-14.95 9s 12.95-14.95 per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s .34-.36 occasional higher 5s .34-.36 occasional higher 6s .33-.34 occasional higher 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type 35s 224.00-268.00 mostly 224.00-238.00 occasional lower 45s 224.00-268.00 mostly 224.00-238.00 occasional lower 60s 210.00-245.00 mostly 210.00-224.00

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH TEXAS

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND 45S MODERATE, OTHERS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. bins per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count .30-.34 mostly .30-.32 occasional higher approx 45 count .30-.34 mostly .32-.34 occasional higher approx 60 count .28-.30 occasional higher

WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF Thursday, January 16, 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 GU 9s 13.00-15.75 mostly 14.00-15.00 few high as 16.00-17.00 12s 13.00-15.50 mostly 14.00-15.25 few 12.00 HD 12s 13.00-15.50 mostly 14.00-15.00 few 12.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 6s 19.50-22.00 mostly 21.00-22.00 occas higher 8s 20.00-

22.00 mostly 21.50-22.00 few 19.50 MX 5s
19.00-21.00 mostly 19.50

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. flat cartons FL Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 8s 17.00-19.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 36.00-38.00 24 inch bins FL Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 176.00 occas high as 345.50 60s 148.00

BOSTON

CANTALOUPS: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 11.00-14.00 mostly 12.00 12s 9.00-12.00 mostly 11.00 occas low as 8.00 15s 8.00-11.00 mostly 9.00-10.00 occas high as 12.00 HD 9s 11.00-14.00 mostly 12.00 12s 9.00-12.00 mostly 11.00 15s 8.00-11.00 mostly 9.00-10.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU 9s (6 size) 11.00-12.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 21.00-22.00 Few 6s 22.00 Few 8s 21.00-22.00 Few HD 5s 20.00-22.00 mostly 21.00 occas low as 17.00 6s 20.00-22.00 mostly 22.00 8s 21.00-22.00 occas lower oversized 2/3 cartons HD 5s (4 size) 17.00-20.00 mostly 17.00 Few

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 40.00 5s 40.00 flat cartons GU Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 8s 8.00-10.00 9s 8.00-10.00 24 inch bins per melon HD Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 10.00 60s 7.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 11.00 45s 8.00-8.50 mostly 8.50 60s 6.00

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPS: MARKET GUATAMALA 12S HIGHER, GUATAMALA 9S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 8.00-12.00 mostly 10.00-11.00 12s 10.00-13.00 15s 12.00 HD 9s 8.00-12.00 mostly 10.00-11.00 12s 10.00-13.00 15s 12.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU 9s (6 size) 12.00-15.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET HONDURAS 5-6S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 4s 18.00 5s 16.00-18.00 yellow 8s 17.00 HD 4s 18.00 5s 16.00-18.00 6s 16.00-18.00 occas higher. oversized 2/3 cartons HD 4s (3 size) 20.00 5s (4 size) 20.00-22.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET 4-5S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 36.00-38.00 5s 34.00-38.00 mostly 35.00-36.00 flat cartons GU Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 14.00-16.00 8s 16.00 24 inch bins MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 45s 350.00 occas higher. 60s 350.00
ORGANIC-WATERMELONS: flat cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 20.50

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS HONDURAS VERY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU BOAT 9s 12.00-14.00 mostly 13.00-14.00 occas higher 12s 12.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-13.00 occas higher oversized 1/2 cartons GU BOAT 9s (6 size) 14.00-16.00 mostly 15.00-16.00 occas lower fr qual 11.00-12.00 poorer quality and

condition lower HD BOAT 9s (6 size) 14.00-16.00 mostly 15.00-16.00 occas lower

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS GUATEMALA VERY LIGHT. MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU BOAT 5s 18.00-19.00 occas higher/lower MX 5s 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 occas higher 6s 18.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 occas lower

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. MARKET FLAT CARTONS RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE TYPE SLIGHTLY HIGHER, OTHERS STEADY. Wide range in quality and appearance. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 31.00-33.00 mostly 32.00-33.00 occas lower flat cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 20.00-22.00 occas lower 8s 20.00-22.00 24 inch bins MX Baja District Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s offerings insufficient to quote fr qual 285.00-290.00 poorer quality and conditon lower

ORGANIC-WATERMELONS: cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s offerings insufficient to quote

MIAMI

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CR 9s 14.50-19.00 mostly 14.50-18.50 occas higher and lower GU 9s 14.50-19.00 mostly 14.50-18.50 occas higher and lower 12s 14.50-19.00 mostly 14.50-18.50 occas higher and lower

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 20.00-24.00 mostly 22.00-23.00 occas higher and lower 6s 21.00-24.50 mostly 21.00-24.00 oversized 2/3 cartons HD 5s (4 size) 22.00-24.50 mostly 22.00-24.00 occas higher and lower

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 24 inch bins per melon FL Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 36 count 4.00-5.00 mostly 4.00-4.50 occas higher and lower approx 45 count 4.00-5.00 mostly 4.00-4.50 occas higher and lower approx 60 count 3.00-4.00 occas higher and lower TX Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 36 count 5.00-6.00 occas higher and lower

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CR 9s fineappear 13.00 GU 9s 10.00-12.00 12s 10.00-12.00 occas higher and lower 15s 8.00 HD 9s 9.00 12s 11.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CR 9s (6 size) 10.00-12.00 GU 9s (6 size) 10.00-12.00 occas higher HD 9s (6 size) 10.00 flat cartons CR 9s (6 size) fineappear 14.00-16.00 occas lower

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 22.00 6s 22.00 occas lower HD 5s 19.00-20.00 6s 20.00 8s Offerings insufficient to quote MX 5s holdovers 21.00 6s holdovers 21.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CR 5s (4 size) 23.00-24.00 occas higher GU 5s (4 size) 20.00 HD 5s (4 size) Offerings insufficient to quote MX 5s (4 size) Offerings insufficient to quote

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless

Miniature 6s Offerings insufficient to quote 24 inch bins MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 28s Offerings insufficient to quote cartons 4s per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb avg 42.00-44.00 70-74 lb avg 45.00-46.00 cartons 5s per carton GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb avg 35.00

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 12.00-14.00 12s 11.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-13.00 15s 10.00 HD 9s 12.00-13.00 mostly 12.00 12s 11.00-12.00 mostly 12.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CR 9s (6 size) 12.00-14.00 mostly 13.00 FEW HIGHER GU 9s (6 size) 12.00-13.00 FEW HIGHER

HONEYDEWS: MARKET MX LOWER, OTHERS STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 6s 20.00 HD 5s 20.00-22.00 mostly 21.00-22.00 6s 20.00-22.00 mostly 21.00 MX 5s 20.00 6s 20.00 oversized 2/3 cartons HD 5s (4 size) 22.00

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS INSUFFICIENT TO QUOTE.