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COMMODITY/ORIGIN/DISTRICT	*MODE	TOTAL TO DATE:								FINAL	
		SEP 10	SEP 11	SEP 12	SEP 13	SEP 14	SEP 15	SEP 16	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	LAST YEAR
WATERMELONS											
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC											
IMPORTS THROUGH SAN JUAN (PUERTO RICO)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	6
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH EL PASO, TX	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	12
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	4	50	460
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PRESIDIO, TX	T	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	15	22	226
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX	T	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	433	6693
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH SANTA TERESA, NMT	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	29	-	132
GRAND TOTALS		-	-	-	5	4	3	2	115	506	8237

WATERMELONS, SEEDED

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CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	251	426	431
INDIANA											
INDIANA DISTRICT	T	4	3	2	4	-	-	-	548	422	427
MICHIGAN											
MICHIGAN DISTRICT	T	2	2	1	2	3	3	3	69	93	98
OKLAHOMA											
OKLAHOMA DISTRICT	T	2	-	1	3	-	-	1	59	69	69
TEXAS											
ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS	T	3	1	-	5	6	6	4	313	381	412
GRAND TOTALS		12	7	4	14	9	9	8	1825	1904	2126

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WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	43	24	-	41	31	32	30	5090	6426	6920
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	P	2	1	-	4	-	2	1	74	141	144
DELAWARE											
DELAWARE DISTRICT	T	26	23	25	36	32	31	24	3014	3060	3172
INDIANA											
INDIANA DISTRICT	T	85	75	45	90	51	64	24	8017	9699	10152
MARYLAND											
MARYLAND DISTRICT	T	9	8	11	16	17	21	19	1928	1903	1948
MICHIGAN											
MICHIGAN DISTRICT	T	56	53	50	45	49	18	41	1693	2334	2829
NORTH CAROLINA											
NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT	T	3	5	1	6	2	6	11	4428	3494	3575
OKLAHOMA											
OKLAHOMA DISTRICT	T	10	7	8	10	8	8	7	420	254	297
TEXAS											
ALL TEXAS DISTRICTS	T	36	37	26	39	44	43	33	3895	4320	5107
VIRGINIA											
VIRGINIA DISTRICT	T	6	5	4	3	17	5	7	370	270	353
CANADA											
IMPORTS THROUGH BUFFALO	T	2	-	-	1	1	1	-	7	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH DETROIT	T	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	9
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	5	-	-	-	13	2	3	56	-	423
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX	T	7	-	-	2	3	-	8	64	-	546
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PRESIDIO, TX	T	3	-	-	2	3	3	9	47	-	146
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX	T	12	-	-	11	7	43	21	266	-	1257
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	6	5	-	6	12	13	8	108	112	24671

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WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINIATURE											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	26	20	-	19	15	-	19	1309	1824	2234
INDIANA											
INDIANA DISTRICT	T	6	5	3	7	22	6	4	417	575	672
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINIATURE- ORGANIC											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	5	2	-	7	3	7	5	682	594	627
GRAND TOTALS		348	269	173	345	330	306	274	40912	44085	76391

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CANTALOUPS											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	119	106	-	114	106	121	118	7193	8678	10131
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	P	3	-	-	3	1	2	2	96	176	245
CANADA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HURON (MICHIGAN)	T	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	4	5
CANTALOUPS - ORGANIC											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	6	-	-	4	4	5	4	247	237	259
GRAND TOTALS		128	106	-	121	111	129	124	9014	10592	12138

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HONEYDEWS											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	5	44	-	35	36	37	24	2565	3082	3727
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	P	1	-	-	3	-	-	1	33	99	118
CANADA											
IMPORTS THROUGH CHAMPLAIN (NEW YORK)	T	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	5	-	139
HONEYDEWS - ORGANIC											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT	T	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	106	77	87
GRAND TOTALS		7	44	-	38	38	37	26	2713	3258	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 17, 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 36S AND 45S 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. 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 105.00-112.00 occas 126.00, occas lower, few previous commitments high as 140.00 45s 112.00-119.00 occas 126.00, occas lower, few previous commitment high as 140.00 60s 105.00-119.00 occas 126.00, occas lower, few previous commitments high as 140.00

SOUTHWEST INDIANA AND SOUTHEAST ILLINOIS

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY RED FLESH SEEDED VERY LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Some trucking freight affecting some prices. Some sales based on previous commitments with few new sales. 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 135.00 45s 90.00-112.00 occas lower, few sales including previous commitments high as 135.00 60s 90.00-105.00 occas lower, few sales including previous commitments high as 135.00

WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF September 17, 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 160.00-210.00 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 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 STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 22.00-24.00 mostly 23.00 6s 22.00-27.00 mostly 22.00-24.00 8s 18.00-22.00 mostly 20.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CA 5s (4 size) Offerings insufficient to quote. **WATERMELONS:** MARKET STEADY. 24 inch bins per melon DE Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 10-14 lb avg fr cond 3.00-4.00 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 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 STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 16.00-20.00 mostly 17.00-19.00 12s 16.00-18.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 16.00-19.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 fineappear 22.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 20.00 5s (4 size) 22.00-23.00 6s (5 size) 22.00-23.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 30.00-32.00 Local Repack Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 28.00 24 inch bins AR Black Diamond 45s 220.00-225.00 IN Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 120.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 145.00-150.00 60s 140.00-150.00 fineappear 225.00 MI Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 160.00-170.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 170.00 60s 170.00-180.00

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.

MIAMI

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. 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

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPS: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 22.00 holdovers 18.00 fr appear 12.00-15.00 12s 18.00-20.00 15s 17.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 21.00-22.00

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 28.00 6s 28.00

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

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 19.00-20.00 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 20.00-21.00 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

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CA 9s 18.00-20.00 few 16.00 fineappear 22.00-24.00 few 25.00 12s 18.00-20.00 holdovers 14.00-16.00 fineappear 20.00-23.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CA 9s (6 size) 18.00-20.00 fineappear 22.00-25.00 mostly 24.00 24 inch bins PA Athena Type 200s Offerings insufficient to quote

HONEYDEWS: MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 2/3 cartons CA 5s 28.00-30.00 holdovers 26.00 fineappear 32.00-35.00 few 38.00-40.00 5s (4 size) 28.00-30.00 fineappear 32.00-35.00 6s 26.00-28.00 occas higher holdovers 18.00-20.00 fineappear 32.00-35.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flat cartons per carton IN Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 9s Offerings insufficient to quote 24 inch bins DE Red Flesh Seeded Type 28s 200.00-220.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 200.00-220.00 45s 200.00-220.00 60s 180.00-200.00 Sugar Baby 36s 150.00-180.00 45s 120.00 60s 120.00 IN Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 160.00-180.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s Offerings insufficient to quote NC Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 60s Offerings insufficient to quote OK Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 28s Offerings insufficient to quote 60s 160.00-180.00 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s Offerings insufficient to quote fineappear 370.00-380.00 45s 250.00-270.00 cartons 4s per carton IN Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 30.00-33.00 occas higher MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 35.00-38.00 TX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 34.00 cartons 6s per carton IN Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 34.00-35.00