

VEGETABLE

MARKET INFORMATION

Asparagus ALERT	Demand exceeds supply as both Mexico and Peru struggle to fill orders. Sizes affected are mostly Jumbo and Extra Large. The market is much higher and is expected to increase. Quality is good to fairly good.
Beans – Green	The bean crop in GA is coming to an end. Production has started in the northern growing regions as well as NC. Santa Maria, CA has started but volume is very limited. The market is high and will remain volatile for several weeks.
Broccoli ALERT	The market remains elevated on tight supplies. Supplies look to slowly improve and the market to see a slow downtrend.
Brussels Sprouts ALERT	Demand is exceeding supplies, and the market continues to move higher. Seasonal quality and transitional challenges have significantly reduced yields.
Cabbage	The red cabbage market remains elevated as western supplies are still tight. Green cabbage supplies are bit tighter, but quality is good. The market steady on green cabbage.
Carrots	Supplies on the West Coast are meeting demand. The market is mostly steady.
Cauliflower	Good to moderate supplies with lighter demand is keeping markets steady to lower.
Celery	The market is lower as we settle in the Salinas area. Supplies continue to meet demand.
Corn	Eastern corn good supplies continue out of GA; however, white corn is very tight. In the West, demand is good with limited volume with a slightly higher market. Lower plantings should keep the western market high through most of the summer.
Cucumbers	Eastern supplies are starting to tighten up again. GA and NC are all but done and the northern regions won't come online for a few weeks. Expect markets to be on the higher side for the next few weeks. Western volume and markets are steady. Baja is supplying the majority of volume.
Eggplant	Eastern markets are steady on both Fancy and Choice volume. The western market is reflecting lower volume as CA's Central Valley heat has caused a good amount of bloom drop, and Central Mexico lost acreage from the tropical storm.
Garlic	Supplies and quality are good, and the market remains steady.
Herbs – Cilantro ALERT & Italian Parsley	Tight supply continues with cilantro and the market is firm with demand exceeding supplies. Parsley markets are active as Italian (flat) parsley supplies remains limited and quality is fair. Curly parsley supplies are better.
Lettuce — Iceberg Leaf, Romaine	The iceberg market continues its slow crawl downward as demand begins to settle. Overall leaf markets have settled at current levels. Quality is good. Romaine has started to settle and heart markets continue the slow downward trend as supplies and quality improve. Honey Gem
Honey Gem Lettuce ALERT	lettuce demand is exceeding current supplies, and supplies will be very short for the next few weeks.
Lettuce – Spring Mix	Supplies and quality are good, and the market is steady.

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Mushrooms	The market is steady with good availability. Quality is good.
Onions – Green	The market is soft with good volume and quality on weaker demand.
Onions – Yellow, White & Red	Supplies are good on yellow and red onions in NM and CA. Forecasted rain NM could turn the market around. Demand is good. Quality is good. White onion demand and markets are increasing due to rain in Mexico and Central America.
Peas – Snow & Snaps	The snow pea market remains firm as volume has picked up and is starting to meet demand. Volume is better on snap peas and the market is mostly steady.
Peppers – Chiles ALERT	Eastern chile pepper supply is good and demand is good. Markets are strong. All western area varieties are robust and active. Anaheim peppers are extremely limited with substitution requests possible. CA's Central Valley product should start to come on strong mid next week.
Peppers – Green, Red, Yellow, & Hothouse ALERT	The eastern green bell pepper market is strong. GA is finishing and NC is in full production. High markets are expected to stay for the next few weeks. In the West, all varieties of peppers are limited in volume with red and yellow peppers mostly affected. Regional growing shift, uncooperating weather have quality just fair at best. The market is very high and expected to hold up to ten days. Hothouse pepper demand exceeds supplies.
Potatoes – Russet	Supplies are light on 40-50ct from most suppliers; 90-120ct are plentiful. Demand is following supply accordingly. Markets are steady on large sizes and lower on smaller sizes. Quality is good.
Potatoes – Red, White & Yukon	Supplies are lighter on red and yellow potatoes due to a production gap as the FL season ends and TX, the Carolinas and VA start. Markets should remain mostly steady at these levels for a couple of weeks before decreasing. AZ and CA are shipping new crop.
Potatoes – Sweet	Supplies, quality, and demand are all good, and markets are steady.
Squash – Yellow & Zucchini	Eastern yellow squash and zucchini markets are flat. GA is finished but most other northern regions have started. Expect the markets to stay relatively flat as all regions are harvesting. Western volume is seeing increases on the coast and valley resulting in a much lower market. Yellow squash volume is improving and the market relaxing somewhat.
Tender Greens – Spinach	The spinach market is mostly steady to a bit higher on good supplies. Demand remains good to strong.
Tomatoes—Cherry, Grape, Roma, Round Hothouse Heirloom ALERT	Supply continues to be light on all varieties. The transition to AL has started, but volume is limited. Availability out of VA & NC will not start until early July. Northern CA has started, but it may be another 1-2 weeks before we see any increased volume. Hothouse Heirloom tomato demand exceeds supplies.

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FRUIT

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Apples & Pears	Golden Delicious and Opal apples are done for the season as well as some organics and most pears. Markets are steady.
Avocados ALERT	Operations in Mexico have resumed only in Uruapan, while other Mexican cities remain closed for export to the U.S. and still undergoing negotiations. The rainy season has also begun—limiting harvesting. It will take another 10-14 days to refill the U.S. supply chain. CA finished with higher volumes than expected last week, we anticipate similar numbers this week. Size is peaking 48/60cts. Colombian volumes are decreasing as their season wanes. The first Peruvian containers are arriving to the U.S., sizing is heavy on small fruit.
Bananas	Supplies will be light for the next few weeks; no issues are expected.
Berries – Blackberries, Blueberries & Raspberries	Blackberry volume remains steady. Quality is good. Markets are steady. Blueberry volume is steady. We are two weeks out from increased volume from new growing areas. Quality is good. Markets are steady. Raspberry volume remains light with good quality. Markets are increasing.
Berries – Strawberry	Volume continues to gradually decline as production centers around Central CA and the plant's output decreases from the peak. Quality remains good, demand is very good. Markets are higher.
Citrus – Lemons ALERT	CA supplies are tight, especially for small sizes (165-200cts). The U.S. market is receiving significant import volume from Argentina and Chile. Mexican lemons are challenged by extreme weather, from extended drought to torrential rains. Suppliers are prorating as much as 30% to 40%.
Citrus – Limes ALERT	Tropical storms have reduced harvesting and packing operations, resulting in lower volumes and increased markets. However, the rain may help volume in coming weeks. The majority of volume is in 230/200/175cts, and limited in very large size (110ct).
Citrus – Oranges ALERT	Re-greening due to summer heat is upon us, but with no effects on taste, just appearance. Extra time may be needed to gas Valencias which may cause some delays at packaging houses.
Grapes – Green & Red	Mexican volume is sufficient to meet demand with San Joaquin slated to start in a stronger way early July. The market is steady.
Melons – Cantaloupe & Honeydew	Cantaloupe is transitioning to the Westside area, but with potential sizing substitutes as Yuma finishes with larger sizes. Quality is good. Honeydew volume is limited as Mexican volume has declined. Smaller sizing mostly affected, also with potential sizing subs.
Melons – Watermelon	Domestic watermelon is showing strong volume with larger sizing due to growing region heat.
Pineapples ALERT	Supply remains tight, especially on larger sized fruit, and demand is very good. Larger sizes are at a premium right now. Quality remains good with 12-14 Brix, and most on the high side.