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On Jan. 3, 2021, AMS Specialty Crops Market News transitioned to the Department of Homeland Security ACE reporting system as the primary import data source for all ports and points of entry, excluding Mexico Crossings through Nogales, Arizona. ACE data reflects actual volumes of specialty crops movement, as identified by Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) codes. The first daily report with ACE as the primary data source for the volumes of specialty crops imports was released Jan. 3, 2021.

SHIPMENTS - IN 40,000 LB UNITS, OR 1000 40-LB PACKAGES - FROM 14-JAN-2021 TO 20-JAN-2021

COMMODITY/ORIGIN/DISTRICT	*MODE	JAN 14	JAN 15	JAN 16	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20	TOTAL TO DATE: FINAL			
									THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	LAST YEAR	
WATERMELONS												
BRAZIL												
IMPORTS THROUGH NEWARK-ELIZABETH (NJ)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	14	1	1	-
GUATEMALA												
IMPORTS THROUGH GALVESTON (TEXAS)	B	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	19	-	45	-
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	1	2	-
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	2	13	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	5	6	113	82	529	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HUENEME (CALIF)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	27	43	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	28	-	-	-	-	-	18	120	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	25	5	-	-	-	34	-	435	682	2122	-
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	34	56	-
HONDURAS												
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	16	19	494	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	44	-	-	-	-	-	-	67	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	219	1485	-
MEXICO												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	197	157	606	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX	T	7	5	-	-	-	10	2	311	72	949	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX	T	33	67	-	-	-	34	57	3887	3215	7595	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH RIO GRANDE CITY	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	380	402	1080	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH ROMA, TX	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	2	-
GRAND TOTALS		145	77	-	-	-	96	101	5697	4914	15023	-
WATERMELONS, SEEDED												
MEXICO												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	2	6	-	-	-	1	1	28	-	-	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	16	126	421	-
GRAND TOTALS		2	6	-	-	1	1	1	53	126	421	-
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS												
MEXICO												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	31	18	13	-	18	23	19	6766	5293	20884	-
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS MINATURE												
MEXICO												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	2	12	16	-	13	2	4	666	693	1908	-
GRAND TOTALS		33	30	28	-	31	25	23	7459	6010	22768	-
CANTALOUPS												
BRAZIL												
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	-	-	-
GUATEMALA												
IMPORTS THROUGH GALVESTON (TEXAS)	B	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	57	10	157	-
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	9	-	-	-	-	1	-	47	24	83	-
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	14	22	-	-	-	-	5	308	327	848	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	1	-	-	-	14	28	660	1428	3616	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HUENEME (CALIF)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	372	888	1759	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	147	-	-	-	-	1	7	355	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH SEATTLE-TACOMA	B	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	14	12	28	-
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	8	-	-	-	-	5	-	1501	3166	5403	-
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	144	84	262	-
HONDURAS												
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	11	8	58	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	41	-	-	-	-	-	-	44	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	12	-	-	-	-	21	2	89	464	2490	-
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	66	218	-
GRAND TOTALS		232	24	-	-	-	58	44	4525	7149	16104	-

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		JAN 14	JAN 15	JAN 16	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20	JAN THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	LAST YEAR	
HONEYDEWS												
BRAZIL												
IMPORTS THROUGH CHARLESTOWN	B	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	32	5	5	-
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC												
IMPORTS THROUGH MIAMI AIRPORT	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GUATEMALA												
IMPORTS THROUGH GALVESTON (TEXAS)	B	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	16	10	50	-
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	10	34	-
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	37	-	-	-	-	10	4	115	42	162	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	1	8	420	248	824	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HUENEME (CALIF)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	115	181	404	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	38	-	-	-	-	2	4	122	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH SEATTLE-TACOMA	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	2	-	-	-	-	4	-	434	748	1499	-
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	28	64	-
HONDURAS												
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	2	19	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	83	373	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	10	1	-	-	-	2	2	34	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	2	-	-	-	-	21	-	43	252	1129	-
MEXICO												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX	T	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	18	7	68	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH RIO GRANDE CITY	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	13	9	12	-	15	11	12	1603	1376	2955	-
HONEYDEWS - ORGANIC												
MEXICO												
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	9	7	17	-
GRAND TOTALS		105	15	12	-	15	59	44	3009	3001	7605	

* [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 21, 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.

CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS - PORTS OF ENTRY SOUTH FLORIDA
 Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and/or Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis
CANTALOUPS: SUPPLY FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND 15S MODERATE, OTHERS GOOD AT SLIGHTLY LOWER PRICES. MARKET 15S LOWER, OTHERS SLIGHTLY LOWER. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS. By Boat. Wide range in quality, condition and price. 1/2 cartons 9s 21.95-24.95 mostly 22.95-24.95 fr cond few lower 12s 19.85-22.95 mostly 19.95-22.95 fr cond few lower 15s 14.95-18.95 mostly 16.95-18.95 few low as 12.95 fr cond few lower oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 21.95-24.95 mostly 22.85-24.95 occas low as 20.95 fr cond few lower
HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET LOWER. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS. By

Boat. Wide range in quality, condition and price. 2/3 cartons 5s 10.95-12.95 mostly 11.95-12.95 fr cond 8.95-9.95 6s 10.95-12.95 mostly 11.95-12.95 fr cond 8.95-9.95 8s 10.95-12.95 mostly 11.95-12.95 occas low as 8.95 fr cond 6.95 oversized 2/3 cartons 5s (4 size) 10.95-12.95 mostly 11.95-12.95 fr cond 8.95-9.95
WATERMELONS: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. By Boat. Guatemala and Honduras. flat cartons Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 13.85-14.95 8s 13.85-14.95 9s 11.85-14.95

CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS - PORTS OF ENTRY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
 Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and/or Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis
CANTALOUPS: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT. DEMAND VERY GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA. By Boat. Quality and condition variable. 1/2 cartons 9s 24.00-26.95 few low as 23.00 12s 24.00-26.95 few low as 23.00 oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 24.00-26.95 few low as 23.00

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES, ARIZONA
 Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and/or Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis
HONEYDEWS: DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. Extra services included. 2/3 cartons 5s 7.00-10.95 mostly 7.35-8.35 few 12.35 6s 7.00-10.95 mostly 8.00-9.00 few 12.35 8s 6.35-8.95 mostly 7.00-7.35 occasional lower

WATERMELONS: DEMAND FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Wide range in quality and condition. cartons Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 17.00-22.95 mostly 18.00-19.00 5s 18.00-22.95 mostly 20.00-21.00 occasional lower Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 13.95-15.95 mostly 14.95 8s 13.95-14.95 occasional higher 9s 12.95-14.95 mostly 13.95 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count 210.00-240.00 mostly 210.00-220.00 approx 45 count 217.00-246.00 mostly 220.00-230.00 occasional higher

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH TEXAS
 Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and/or Delivered Sales, Shipping Point Basis
WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra service included. Wide range in quality. 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count 224.00-266.00 mostly 245.00-252.00 occasional higher and lower approx 45 count 224.00-266.00 mostly 231.00-245.00 occasional higher and lower

WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF Thursday, January 21, 2021

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 25.00-28.50 mostly 26.00-28.50 few 29.50-30.00 12s

22.50-27.00 mostly 27.00 few 21.00, occas lower MX 9s 27.00-27.50 few 21.00, occas lower 12s 27.00 occas lower

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 2/3 cartons AZ 6s 14.00-17.50 mostly 15.50-17.50 occas 18.50 GU 5s 17.50-21.00 mostly 17.50-18.00 6s 16.00-18.50 mostly 17.50-18.00 8s 15.00-18.00 mostly 15.50

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 31.00 few 23.00 5s 37.00-41.00 mostly 39.00-41.00 few 27.00-29.00 Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 8s 24.50-27.75

BOSTON

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 28.00-29.00 fr cond 15.00 12s 26.00-27.00 15s 18.00 HD 9s 28.00 fr cond 20.00-22.00 mostly 21.00 12s 26.00-28.00 mostly 27.00-28.00 15s offerings insufficient to quote oversized 1/2 cartons HD 6s offerings insufficient to quote 9s offerings insufficient to quote

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 14.00-15.00 6s 16.00-18.00 mostly 17.00 8s 12.00 HD 5s 17.00-18.00 occas low as 15.00 6s 16.00-18.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 8s 12.00-16.00 mostly 14.00

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 45.00 occas higher 5s 42.00-45.00 mostly 44.00-45.00 Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 9s 12.00 24 inch bins per melon MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 13.00 45s 10.00 60s 6.00-7.00

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPS: MARKET 12S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 26.00-27.00 12s 24.00-26.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU 9s (6 size) 26.00-28.00 HD 9s (6 size) 26.00-28.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET GU 2/3 CARTONS OVERSIZED AND 6S HIGHER, HD 2/3 CARTONS OVERSIZED AND 6S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 6s 14.00 8s 12.00 HD 6s 14.00-16.00 oversized 2/3 cartons GU 5s (4 size) 14.00-16.00 HD 5s (4 size) 14.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET MEXICO 4S HIGHER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. cartons per carton GU Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 34.00-36.00 5s 34.00-36.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 36.00-39.50 mostly 37.00-38.00 OCCAS LOWER 5s 34.00-38.00 mostly 35.00-36.00 occas lower flat cartons per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 20.00 8s 18.00 24 inch bins MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 60s 300.00

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. wide range in quality and condition 1/2 cartons GU BOAT 9s 32.00-34.00 mostly 33.00-34.00 few 36.00 occas higher 12s 32.00-34.00 mostly 32.00-33.00 few 36.00 MX 6s 24.00-25.00 occas higher/lower 9s 30.00-33.00 mostly 31.00-32.00 occas higher oversized 1/2 cartons GU

BOAT 9s (6 size) 32.00-34.00 mostly 33.00-34.00 few 36.00 occas higher

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. wide range in quality and condition 2/3 cartons GU 5s 14.00-16.00 occas higher/lower 6s 14.00-16.00 occas higher/lower MX 5s 12.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-13.00 occas lower 6s 13.00-15.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 occas lower oversized 2/3 cartons GU 5s (4 size) 16.00-18.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 occas higher/lower MX 5s (4 size) Offerings insufficient to quote

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE BINS VERY LIGHT. MARKET STEADY. cartons MX Baja District Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 30.00-32.00 few 34.00 occas higher/lower flat cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 20.00-22.00 few 24.00 occas lower 8s 20.00-22.00 few 24.00 occas lower 24 inch bins MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 295.00-300.00 occas higher/lower

ORGANIC-WATERMELONS: cartons MX Baja District Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 42.00 Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 28.00

MIAMI

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 27.00-28.00 occas higher and lower 12s 26.00-28.00 occas higher and lower HD 9s 25.00-27.00 occas higher and lower

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET HD HIGHER; GU ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 17.00-19.00 occas higher and lower 6s 17.00-19.00 occas higher and lower HD 5s (4 size) 17.00-18.00 occas higher and lower

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET HD 45S LOWER; OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 24 inch bins per melon FL Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 45 count 6.00-7.00 occas higher and lower approx 60 count 5.00-6.00 occas higher and lower HD Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 36 count 5.00-6.00 occas higher and lower approx 45 count 4.00-5.00 occas higher and lower cartons 5s GU Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 25.00-27.00 occas higher and lower

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s fineappear 28.00 few 30.00 fr appear 20.00 12s 22.00-24.00 holdovers 20.00 fineappear Offerings insufficient to quote 15s 20.00-22.00 HD 9s fr appear 20.00 12s holdovers 20.00-22.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU 9s (6 size) fineappear 28.00-30.00 few 32.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 16.00-17.00 fineappear 18.00 6s 14.00-16.00 fineappear 18.00-20.00 HD 5s fineappear 18.00 ord appear 5.00 MX 6s 16.00-18.00 oversized 2/3 cartons HD 5s (4 size) 17.00-18.00 MX 5s (4 size) 17.00-18.00

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. flat cartons per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s Offerings insufficient to quote 8s Offerings insufficient to quote cartons 4s per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless

Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg Offerings insufficient to quote fineappear 40.00-44.00 mostly 42.00 occas higher

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPS: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 22.00-24.00 ONE LABEL 29.00 12s 25.00 15s 16.00-18.50 SOME 22.00 HD 9s 28.00 12s 24.00-26.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 15.00-16.00 6s 15.00-16.00 8s 12.00-14.00 mostly 13.00 HD 5s 15.00-17.00 6s 15.00-16.00

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. cartons per carton GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 5s 32.00 24 inch bins MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 220.00-240.00 45s 220.00-240.00