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Shipments in 40,000 LB Units from 1/2/2026 to 1/8/2026

Commodity/Var/Prop/Origin/District	Trans Mode/ Imp- Exp	Jan 02	Jan 03	Jan 04	Jan 05	Jan 06	Jan 07	Jan 08	Total This Season	To Date Last Season	Final Last Season
<u>WATERMELONS</u>	-										
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC											
IMPORTS THROUGH SAN JUAN PUERTO RICO	B I	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	33	41	80
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	45	-	-	-	-	-	50	328	224	470
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	-	-	8	2	2	8	20	28	475
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	5	-	-	-	1	10	15	60	115	568
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	2	-	-	-	18	17	45	1,387	621	7,084
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	101	106	306
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	1	-	-	2	-	3	3	114	98	476
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	92	-	-	28	48	32	118	1,516	1,081	4,868
<u>WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE</u>	-										
GUATEMALA											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	35
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	-	-	2	2	2	11	1,017	2,282	3,966
<u>WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE - ORGANIC</u>	-										
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	102	110	235
<u>WATERMELONS - SEEDLESS</u>	-										
BRAZIL											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	37	17	53
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	125	93	194
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON TEXAS	B I	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	13	55
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	12	-	-	14	11	-	7	114	69	290
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	29	-	-	7	11	-	12	93	38	271
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	40	-	-	16	-	18	38	270	317	1,851
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	15	-	-	2	3	45	5	321	299	1,754
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	7	-	-	6	-	11	-	80	30	230
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	-	-
HONDURAS											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	7	554
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	22	-	-	38	70	35	56	2,918	2,860	14,547
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	9	-	-	5	8	1	2	169	139	476

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MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	-	-	-	1	-	-	7	476	298	1,148
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	-	-	-	54	-	39	23	727	1,170	2,866
<u>WATERMELONS - SEEDLESS - ORGANIC</u>											
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	53	59	375
GRAND TOTALS		282	-	-	183	178	232	406	10,075	10,116	43,228

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CANTALOUPE**COSTA RICA**

IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	13	-	590
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IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	1	-	-	5	-	-	5	14	-	-
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GUATEMALA

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	287	318	1,150
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON TEXAS	B I	8	-	-	-	6	-	7	45	68	261
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	61	-	-	37	44	19	22	767	620	2,698
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	100	-	-	2	41	-	45	845	740	3,219
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	82	-	-	-	9	5	17	1,143	1,158	3,634
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	19	-	-	3	-	9	4	506	408	2,139
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	23	-	-	33	-	15	1	352	261	719

HONDURAS

IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON TEXAS	B I	9	-	-	-	-	-	7	17	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	4	-	48
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	16	-	-	-	-	-	34	51	-	384
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5	-	1,291
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	34	-	-	-	2	22	6	74	-	382
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	-	352

MEXICO

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	523	484	965
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	6	8	25

GRAND TOTALS		373	-	-	85	103	72	167	4,657	4,065	17,859
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HONEYDEWS**BRAZIL**

IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	24	17	36
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GUATEMALA

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	79	94	365
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON TEXAS	B I	2	-	-	-	6	-	2	16	16	57
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	17	-	-	17	1	9	1	198	171	814
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	50	-	-	-	23	1	36	360	285	1,057
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	27	-	-	-	6	-	6	339	384	1,212
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	6	-	-	1	2	5	3	96	140	765
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	7	-	-	3	-	6	1	156	42	158

MEXICO

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	7	-	-	9	21	20	19	1,345	1,294	3,682
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	-	-	-	-	1	1	8	11	-	71

GRAND TOTALS		121	-	-	30	60	46	76	2,624	2,443	8,217
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SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION

Sales F.O.B Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for DATE. 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.

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA

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

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY LIGHT AND IN FEW HANDS. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in quality and condition. 2/3 cartons 5s 14.95-16.95 occasional higher 6s 14.95-16.95 mostly 14.95 8s 8.95-10.00 occasional higher and lower

WATERMELONS: DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Wide range in quality and condition. Red Flesh Seedless Miniature cartons 6s 14.00-16.95 mostly 14.95 8s 14.00-15.95 mostly 14.00-14.95 occasional higher 9s 12.95-14.95 Red Flesh Seedless Type cartons 4s 18.00-22.00 mostly 20.00-22.00 occasional higher 5s 20.00-23.00 mostly 21.00-22.00 occasional higher 6s 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 occasional higher 24 inch bins approx 36 count 182.00-217.00 mostly 189.00-203.00 few as high 210.00 approx 45 count 189.00-217.00 mostly 189.00-210.00 few as high 224.00 occasional higher approx 60 count supplies insufficient and in too few hands to establish a market

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH TEXAS

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

WATERMELONS: DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in quality and condition. Red Flesh Seedless Type 24 inch bins approx 36 count 200.00-231.00 mostly 203.00-224.00 occasional higher and lower approx 45 count 204.00-240.00 mostly 210.00-224.00 occasional higher and lower approx 60 count 204.00-240.00 mostly 210.00-224.00

CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS - PORTS OF ENTRY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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

CANTALOUPE: SUPPLY REGULAR SIZE 9S LIGHT, JUMBO SIZE 9S VERY LIGHT 12S MODERATE. DEMAND FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, few HONDURAS. By Boat. Most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 1/2 cartons 12s 15.95-18.95 oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 19.95-22.95

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT. DEMAND EXCEEDS SUPPLY. Guatemala. Most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 2/3 cartons 5s Supplies in too few hands to establish a market. 6s Supplies in too few hands to establish a market.

CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS - PORTS OF ENTRY SOUTH FLORIDA

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

CANTALOUPE: SUPPLY REGULAR SIZE 9S AND 12S MODERATE. JUMBO SIZE 9S (6 SIZE) VERY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA. By Boat. Many present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 1/2 cartons 9s 16.95-19.95 12s 13.95-16.95 15s supplies in too few hands to establish a market. oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 19.85-20.95

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT. DEMAND EXCEEDS SUPPLY. GUATEMALA. By Boat. Most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 2/3 cartons 5s Supplies in too few hands to establish a market. 6s Supplies in too few hands to establish a market. 8s Supplies in too few hands to establish a market.

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, By Boat. Many present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. Red Flesh Seedless Miniature flat cartons 6s 16.85-17.85 8s 15.85-17.85 9s 14.85-16.85 Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties cartons 4s 29.85-30.85 5s 29.85-30.85 24 inch bins 36s 285.00-295.00 45s 285.00-295.00 60s 285.00-295.00

WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF DATE.

This is only a sample of wholesale terminal market reports. For a complete and current listing <https://www.ams.usda.gov/market-news/fruit-and-vegetable-terminal-markets-standard-reports>

ASHEVILLE

CANTALOUPE: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. flat cartons GUATEMALA 12s 28.00-36.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons/crates ARIZONA 6s 26.00-28.00

ATLANTA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS HONDURAS LIGHT. 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s 26.00-29.00 mostly 27.00-28.00 occasional higher 12s 26.00-29.00 mostly 27.00-28.00 occasional higher HONDURAS 9s 23.00-25.00 occasional lower 12s 19.00-22.50 mostly 20.00-21.00 occasional higher/lower oversized 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) 25.00 occasional lower

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 24.00-26.00 mostly 25.00-26.00 few 28.00 occasional higher/lower 6s 23.00-26.00 mostly 24.00-25.00 few 28.00 occasional higher/lower MEXICO 5s 23.50-24.50 few 28.00 occasional higher/lower 6s 22.50-24.50 few 28.00 occasional higher/lower oversized 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s (4 size) insufficient to quote

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS GUATEMALA VERY LIGHT. cartons GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 6s 30.00- 32.00 mostly 30.00-31.00 few high as 37.00 occasional lower MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 4s 41.00-44.00 mostly 42.00-43.00 occasional higher/lower 5s 30.00-33.00 mostly 31.00-32.00 few high as 37.00 occasional lower 24 inch bins GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 60s 244.00-254.00 occasional lower MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s 184.00-194.00 occasional higher/lower 45s 319.00-329.00 occasional lower 60s 244.00-254.00 occasional lower flat cartons FLORIDA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 8s 14.00-15.00 occasional higher/lower

BOSTON

CANTALOUPE: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s 23.00-24.00 fair condition 12.00 9s (6 size) 25.00 12s 22.00- 24.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 21.00-24.00 mostly 21.00-23.00 occasional higher & lower 6s 23.00-25.00

MELON, GAYA: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons BRAZIL 6s 31.00

MELON, JUAN CANARY: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons BRAZIL 6s 31.00

MELON, SANTA CLAUS (PIEL DE SAPO): OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons BRAZIL 6s 45.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 6s fair condition 10.00-12.00 occasional higher & lower MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 5s 40.00-42.00 6s 40.00-42.00 24 inch bins GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 45s per melon 5.00-6.00 MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s 10.50-12.00 45s 8.50-10.00 60s 6.50-8.00

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPE: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 21.00 12s 18.00 GUATEMALA 9s 20.00-21.00 12s 22.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 24.00-25.00 GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) 25.00-28.00 mostly 25.00-26.00 HONDURAS 9s (6 size) fine appearance 35.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 23.00-24.00 6s 19.00 MEXICO 5s 23.00-24.00 6s 22.00 oversized 2/3 cartons MEXICO 5s (4 size) 24.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 4s 40.00-43.00 occasional lower 5s 42.50 24 inch bins MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 45s 300.00-330.00 60s 330.00 flat cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 8s fine appearance 24.00-25.00

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. 17 kg containers GUATEMALA 12s 19.00-26.00 mostly 20.00-23.00 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s 24.00-28.00 mostly 24.00-26.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) 25.00-27.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons MEXICO 5s 24.00-26.00 6s insufficient to quote oversized 2/3 cartons MEXICO 5s (4 size) 25.00-30.00 mostly 25.00

MELON, HAMI : OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 2/3 cartons MEXICO 5s 31.00-33.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s 28.00-30.00 5s 33.00-34.00 flat cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types 6s insufficient to quote

MIAMI

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS MODERATE. 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s 22.00-24.00 12s 22.00-24.00

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 21.00-23.00 6s 21.00-23.00 8s fine appearance 26.50 occasional higher and lower

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. 24 inch bins GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 45s 8.00 occasional higher 60s per melon 6.00 -7.00 occasional higher

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPE: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flat cartons GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) fine appearance 28.00-30.00 HONDURAS 9s fine appearance 26.00-28.00 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s 22.00-24.00 12s 20.00-22.00 fine appearance 24.00 HONDURAS 9s fair appearance 18.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) 24.00 fine appearance 26.00-28.00 HONDURAS 9s (6 size) 20.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 24.00-26.00 6s 24.00-26.00 MEXICO 5s 26.00-30.00 mostly 28.00 6s 26.00-30.00 mostly 28.00 oversized 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s (4 size) 26.00-30.00 mostly 28.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 6s fine appearance 30.00-32.00 cartons 4s MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65-69 lb 44.00-46.00 fine appearance 48.00-50.00 cartons 5s MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65- 69 lb 44.00-46.00

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s 20.00-24.00 mostly 20.00-22.00 HONDURAS 9s 20.00-24.00 mostly 21.00-22.00 9s (6 size) 23.00-26.00 12s 20.00-22.00 mostly 21.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) 24.00-25.00

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 26.00 HONDURAS 5s 22.00-26.00 6s 22.00