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Commodity/Var/Prop/Origin/District	Trans Mode/ Imp- Exp								Total This Season	To Date Last Season	Final Last Season
		Feb 11	Feb 12	Feb 13	Feb 14	Feb 15	Feb 16	Feb 17			
WATERMELONS											
COSTA RICA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	36	469
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	25	4	-	-	-	-	-	507	345	470
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	1	-	24	-	-	-	14	226	270	475
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	211	310	568
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	25	14	10	-	-	-	9	1,781	948	7,084
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T I	-	1	3	-	-	-	2	134	135	306
CALIFORNIA											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	19	1	1	-	-	-	-	180	218	476
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	61	29	20	-	-	-	64	2,583	2,133	4,868
PANAMA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	1	29
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE											
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	32	11	9	-	-	-	-	1,231	2,641	3,966
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE - ORGANIC											
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	106	115	235
WATERMELONS - SEEDLESS											
BRAZIL											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	48	43	53
COSTA RICA											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	31	8	188
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	10	6	71
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	2	1	-	-	-	1	4	-	15
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	8	11	1	-	-	-	-	27	23	70
IMPORTS THROUGH TAMPA AIRPORT FLORIDA	B I	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	19	4	46
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	235	157	194
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	1	16	12	-	-	-	1	247	153	290
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	6	-	2	-	-	-	-	212	87	271
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	13	44	-	-	-	96	989	1,000	1,851
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	1	-	37	-	-	-	-	650	784	1,754
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	1	-	12	-	-	-	-	141	76	230
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON NORTH CAROLINA	B I	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	9	53
HONDURAS											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	3	-	-	-	-	51	308	164	554

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IMPORTS THROUGH PANAMA CITY FLORIDA	B I	-	-	6	-	-	-	4	12	35	241					
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	20					
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	35	13	19	-	-	-	34	3,659	3,716	14,547					
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	2	3	4	-	-	-	-	230	156	476					
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	7	5	-	-	-	-	2	562	496	1,148					
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	36	-	2	-	-	-	8	961	1,561	2,866					
WATERMELONS - SEEDLESS - ORGANIC																
MEXICO																
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	3	-	1	-	-	-	1	77	114	375					
GRAND TOTALS		285	136	217	-	-	-	306	15,490	15,800	44,339					
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CANTALOUPES																
COSTA RICA																
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	169	61	368					
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	-	26	12	-	-	-	-	127	77	418					
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	302	174	590					
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	2	9	-	-	-	-	42	21	98					
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC																
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	14	-	-					
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	54	-	-					
GUATEMALA																
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	467	485	1,150					
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON TEXAS	B I	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	84	115	261					
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	14	59	37	-	-	-	-	1,266	1,072	2,698					
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	41	7	-	-	-	-	-	1,147	1,132	3,219					
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	7	8	-	-	-	-	43	1,427	1,642	3,634					
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	-	62	-	-	-	8	875	808	2,139					
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	1	1	18	-	-	-	-	489	349	719					
HONDURAS																
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	-	1	6	-	-	-	-	60	14	48					
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	21	1	-	-	-	-	-	251	21	384					
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	1	-	-	-	-	126	645	555	1,291					
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	24	1	-	-	-	-	-	285	187	382					
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	95	138	352					
MEXICO																
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	13	25					
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	11	17	29					
GRAND TOTALS		175	115	151	-	-	-	246	7,820	6,881	17,805					
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HONEYDEWS	-										
BRAZIL											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B I	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	28	36
PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY											
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	162	166	365
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON TEXAS	B I	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	33	28	57
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B I	-	34	8	-	-	-	-	371	320	814
CALIFORNIA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B I	29	4	-	-	-	-	-	551	472	1,057
PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	3	1	-	-	-	-	5	435	603	1,212
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	-	23	-	-	-	1	212	269	765
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	176	75	158
HONDURAS											
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B I	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	12	5	21
CALIFORNIA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B I	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	59	-	190
PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	-	-	-	-	-	68	387	279	691
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	14	2	-	-	-	-	-	83	101	269
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	47	146
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	17	14	12	-	-	-	13	1,686	1,677	3,682
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	66	50	71
GRAND TOTALS		77	59	54	-	-	-	99	4,286	4,120	9,534

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SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION

Sales F.O.B Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for February 18, 2026. 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: DEMAND MODERATE.

MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. Wide range in quality and condition. 2/3 cartons 5s 10.50-12.95 mostly 12.00 6s 10.50-12.95 mostly 11.00-12.00

WATERMELONS: DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET MINIATURE SLIGHTLY HIGHER, OTHERS SLIGHTLY LOWER. Extra services included. Wide range in quality and condition. Many present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. Red Flesh Seedless Miniature cartons 6s 12.00-14.00 occasional higher 8s 13.00-15.00 mostly 13.00-14.00 9s 10.00-13.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type cartons 4s 31.95-34.95 mostly 31.95-32.95 occasional lower 5s 31.95-34.95 mostly 32.95-33.95 24 inch bins approx 36 count 301.00-329.00 mostly 308.00-315.00 occasional higher approx 45 count 315.00-329.00 occasional higher

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 287.00-322.00 mostly 294.00-308.00 occasional higher approx 45 count 287.00-322.00 mostly 294.00-308.00 occasional higher approx 60 count 287.00-322.00 mostly 294.00-308.00 occasional higher

WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF February 18, 2026.

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 9s 19.00-27.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons/crates ARIZONA 6s 20.00-29.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. cartons 5s GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types 5s 19.00-28.00 cartons 6s HONDURAS repacked enroute RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types small size 19.00-28.00

ATLANTA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS HONDURAS LIGHT. flat cartons HONDURAS 9s 17.00-19.00 mostly 18.00 occasional lower 12s 16.00-19.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 occasional lower 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s 17.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 few 21.00 occasional higher fair condition 13.00-14.00 poorer quality and condition lower 12s 17.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 few 21.00 occasional higher fair condition 13.00-14.00 poorer quality and condition lower HONDURAS 9s 17.00-19.00 mostly 18.00 occasional lower fair condition 13.00-14.00 poorer quality and condition lower 12s 16.00-19.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 occasional lower fair condition 13.00-14.00 poorer quality and condition lower 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) 19.00 occasional lower

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS HONDURAS VERY LIGHT. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 16.00-19.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 few high as 21.00 occasional higher/lower 6s 16.00-19.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 few high as 21.00 occasional higher/lower HONDURAS 5s 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 few 21.00 occasional higher/lower 6s 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 few 21.00 occasional higher/lower 8s insufficient to quote

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS GUATEMALA VERY LIGHT. cartons GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 5s 40.00-43.00 mostly 41.00-42.00 occasional lower MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 5s 40.00-43.00 mostly 41.00-42.00 occasional lower 24 inch bins GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 60s 488.50-498.50 occasional lower MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 45s 488.50-498.50 occasional lower 60s 488.50-498.50 occasional lower

BOSTON

CANTALOUPE: MARKET LOWER. 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s 18.00 12s 18.00 HONDURAS 9s 16.00-18.00 12s 16.00-18.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET HONDURAS LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 19.00-20.00 6s 19.00-20.00 HONDURAS 5s 16.00-19.00 mostly 16.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-18.00 MEXICO 5s 16.00-19.00 mostly 16.00-18.00 6s 16.00-19.00 mostly 16.00-18.00

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 ABOUT STEADY. cartons GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 4s per carton 55.00 MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 4s per carton 46.00 24 inch bins MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s per melon 12.00-15.00 mostly 12.00-14.00 occasional lower 45s per melon 10.00-12.00 occasional lower 60s per melon 8.00-10.00 occasional lower

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons COSTA RICA 12s 19.00 GUATEMALA 9s 16.00 12s 17.00-19.50 mostly 18.00 oversized 1/2 cartons COSTA RICA 9s (6 size) 18.00 GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) 16.50-20.00 mostly 17.00-18.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 17.00-19.50 mostly 18.00 6s 17.00 HONDURAS 5s 18.00 6s fair appearance 13.00 MEXICO 5s 18.00 6s 18.00-19.00 oversized 2/3 cartons MEXICO 5s (4 size) 17.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 4s 44.00-46.00 5s 46.00 24 inch bins MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s 41.00 45s 41.00-43.00 fine appearance 44.00-46.00 60s 41.00-43.00 fine appearance 480.00 flat cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 6s 19.00 8s 23.00

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPES: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 17 kg containers GUATEMALA 12s 22.00-25.00 mostly 22.00 1/2 cartons COSTA RICA 9s (6 size) 23.00-25.00 GUATEMALA 9s 20.00-22.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) 22.00-26.00 mostly 22.00-24.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons MEXICO 5s 19.00-23.00 mostly 22.00 6s 20.00-22.00 8s fair condition 12.00-14.00 oversized 2/3 cartons MEXICO 5s (4 size) 22.00-25.00 mostly 23.00

MELON, HAMI : OFFERINGS VERY

LIGHT. 2/3 cartons MEXICO 6s 23.00-25.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT

STEADY. cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s 38.00-45.00 mostly 38.00-40.00 5s 38.00-45.00 mostly 40.00-42.00 flat cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types 6s 16.00-22.00 mostly 18.00-20.00

MIAMI

CANTALOUPES: MARKET LOWER. OFFERINGS MODERATE. 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s 16.00-22.00 12s 16.00-22.00 HONDURAS 9s 16.00-22.00 occasional higher 12s 16.00-22.00 occasional higher

HONEYDEWS: MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. OFFERINGS MODERATE. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s 17.00-24.00 mostly 17.00-23.00 6s 17.00-24.00 mostly 17.00-23.00 HONDURAS 5s 17.00-24.00 mostly 17.00-23.00 6s 17.00-24.00 mostly 17.00-23.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT

STEADY. PANAMA RED FLESH SEEDED TYPE 36s per melon 7.00-8.00 occasional higher 60s per melon 5.00 occasional higher cartons 6s GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE per carton 28.00-30.00 24 inch bins GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s per melon 7.00-8.00 mostly 8.00 occasional higher 45s per melon 6.00-7.00 mostly 7.00 occasional higher 60s per melon 4.50-5.00 mostly 5.00 occasional higher

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPES: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flat cartons COSTA RICA 9s (6 size) fine appearance 20.00 1/2 cartons COSTA RICA 9s 17.00-18.00 holdovers 12.00-14.00 12s 16.00-18.00 fine appearance 20.00 18.00-20.00 oversized 1/2 cartons COSTA RICA 9s (6 size) 18.00-20.00

HONDURAS 9s (6 size) 18.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT

STEADY. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s fine appearance 22.00-24.00 6s 16.00-18.00 HONDURAS 5s 18.00-20.00 oversized 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s (4 size) fine appearance 24.00-26.00

MELON, KOREAN: OFFERINGS VERY

LIGHT. flat cartons MEXICO 10s 25.00 10-lb carton

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT

STEADY. cartons 4s MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65-69 lb 52.00-56.00 mostly 54.00 fine appearance 60.00-62.00

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPES: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons DOMINICAN REPUBLIC 12s 14.00 GUATEMALA 9s 14.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 HONDURAS 9s 14.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 12s 16.00-17.00 oversized 1/2 cartons COSTA RICA 9s (6 size) 15.00-17.00

HONDURAS 9s (6 size) 16.00-19.00 mostly 17.00-18.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3

cartons GUATEMALA 5s 17.00-18.00 6s 17.00-18.00 ordinary condition 5.00 HONDURAS 5s 16.00-18.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 6s 16.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 MEXICO 5s fair appearance 12.00-14.00 6s fair appearance 12.00-14.00 oversized 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s (4 size) 18.00-19.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT

STEADY. cartons COSTA RICA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 5s 48.00 MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s 45.00 fine appearance 54.00 5s fine appearance 52.00 flat cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types 6s 28.00-30.00