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Information is for major shipping point areas.

Shipments in 40,000 LB Units from 2/16/2026 to 2/22/2026

Commodity/Var/Prop/Origin/District	Trans Mode/ Imp- Exp	Feb 16	Feb 17	Feb 18	Feb 19	Feb 20	Feb 21	Feb 22	Total This Season	To Date Last Season	Final Last Season
WATERMELONS											
COSTA RICA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	84	48	469
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC											
IMPORTS THROUGH SAN JUAN PUERTO RICO	B I	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	43	57	80
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	-	26	-	-	-	533	364	470
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	14	12	-	2	-	-	240	272	475
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	-	9	11	-	-	-	231	321	568
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	9	8	23	15	-	-	1,827	1,010	7,084
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	136	140	306
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	-	-	13	12	2	-	-	206	239	476
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	-	64	12	44	-	-	-	2,639	2,258	4,868
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE											
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	-	14	15	-	-	-	1,261	2,650	3,966
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE - ORGANIC											
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	107	116	235
WATERMELONS - SEEDLESS											
COSTA RICA											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	31	17	188
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	15
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	235	157	194
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	-	1	5	1	-	-	-	253	167	290
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	16	11	-	-	-	239	114	271
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	96	1	36	-	-	-	1,026	1,112	1,851
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	-	14	24	-	-	-	688	827	1,754
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	143	94	230
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON NORTH CAROLINA	B I	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	20	53
HONDURAS											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	14	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	19	-	66
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	51	-	-	-	-	-	308	223	554
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	7	16
MEXICO											
IMPORTS THROUGH PANAMA CITY FLORIDA	B I	-	4	-	3	2	-	-	17	50	241
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	34	26	18	-	-	-	3,703	3,798	14,547
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	234	159	476
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	-	2	4	3	-	-	-	569	515	1,148
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	-	8	32	-	12	-	-	1,005	1,608	2,866

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WATERMELONS - SEEDLESS - ORGANIC											
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	77	119	375
GRAND TOTALS		-	306	183	258	33	-	-	15,894	16,462	44,142

Trans Mode: T = Truck A = Air B = Boat R = Rail P = Piggyback

Imp-Exp: E = Export I = Import

CANTALOUPE**COSTA RICA**

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	31	-	-	-	-	-	169	91	368
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	-	70	-	-	-	373	238	590

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	59	-	-

GUATEMALA

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	35	-	-	-	-	-	467	485	1,150
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	1,275	1,165	2,698
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	15	41	1	-	-	1,204	1,187	3,219
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	43	4	2	5	-	-	1,438	1,684	3,634
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	8	24	56	1	-	-	955	822	2,139
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	491	349	719

HONDURAS

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	76	95	240
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	63	14	48
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	30	17	-	-	-	298	58	384
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	126	1	-	-	-	-	646	643	1,291
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	-	14	16	-	-	-	315	195	382
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	-	-	27	-	-	-	-	122	141	352

MEXICO

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	12	19	29
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HONEYDEWS**GUATEMALA**

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	162	166	365
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA	B I	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	384	343	814
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	2	29	-	-	-	583	496	1,057
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	444	614	1,212
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	1	6	24	1	-	-	243	275	765
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	178	75	158

HONDURAS

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT TEXAS	B I	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	18	50	106
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY	B I	-	-	16	2	-	-	-	78	22	190
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT CANAVERAL FLORIDA	B I	-	68	-	-	-	-	-	387	356	691
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B I	-	-	1	9	1	-	-	94	122	269
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON DELAWARE	B I	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	21	47	146

MEXICO

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	13	10	5	-	-	-	1,701	1,713	3,682
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	-	-	2	1	2	-	-	72	55	71

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GRAND TOTALS		-	99	71	71	4	-	-	4,365	4,334	9,526
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SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION

Sales F.O.B Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for February 23, 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: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT AND IN FEW HANDS. DEMAND GOOD. MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. Wide range in quality and condition. 2/3 cartons 5s 13.00-14.95 mostly 14.00 6s 13.00-14.95 mostly 14.00

WATERMELONS: DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET CARTONS 4- 6S SLIGHTLY HIGHER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 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 12.00-14.00 few as high 15.00 9s 11.00-13.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 occasional higher Red Flesh Seedless Type cartons 4s 31.95-33.95 mostly 32.95 occasional higher 5s 31.95-34.95 mostly 32.95-34.95 24 inch bins approx 36 count 301.00-322.00 mostly 301.00-308.00 approx 45 count 308.00-329.00 mostly 315.00

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 23, 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 19.00-26.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons/crates ARIZONA 6s 20.00-27.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. cartons 5s GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types 5s 30.00-36.00 cartons 6s HONDURAS repacked enroute RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types small size 19.00-28.00

ATLANTA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS HONDURAS LIGHT. 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 16.00-19.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 occasional lower fair condition 12.00-14.00 poorer quality and condition lower 12s 16.00-18.00 mostly 17.00-17.50 occasional lower fair condition 13.00-14.00 poorer quality and condition lower oversized 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 9s (6 size) 19.00 occasional lower

HONEYDEWS: 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

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

No report will be issued Monday, February 23, 2026 as the Boston Market is closed due to weather. Reports are expected to resume on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 when market trading resumes.

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPE: MARKET GUATEMALA 9S AND COSTA RICA 9S AND 12S LOWER; OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons COSTA RICA 9s 18.00 12s 17.50 GUATEMALA 9s 14.00 12s 18.00 fair appearance 12.00 HONDURAS 12s 15.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GUATEMALA 6s (5 size) fair appearance 13.00 9s (6 size) 16.00-20.00 mostly 17.00-18.00 HONDURAS 9s (6 size) 18.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET GUATEMALA 6S HIGHER; OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 6s 19.00 MEXICO 5s 16.00-20.00 mostly 18.00 6s 18.00-19.00 oversized 2/3 cartons GUATEMALA 5s (4 size) 18.00 MEXICO 5s (4 size) 20.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET 5S AND MEXICAN 45S HIGHER; 60S LOWER; OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 4s 46.00 5s 46.00-47.00 24 inch bins GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 45s 350.00 MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 45s 420.00-450.00 60s 385.00-400.00 flat cartons GUATEMALA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 6s 22.00

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPE: MARKET 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 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

CANTALOUPE: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 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 ABOUT STEADY. 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 7.50-8.00 occasional higher 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

No report will be issued Monday, February 23, 2026, due to weather. The New York City Terminal Market is closed. The next report will be issued Tuesday, February 24, 2026.

PHILADELPHIA

No report will be issued Monday, February 23, 2026, due to weather. The Philadelphia Wholesale Produce Market is closed. The next report will be issued Tuesday, February 24, 2026.