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SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	5	8	5	5	4	-	-	890	555	684
<u>WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE</u>											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	53	49	56	61	37	10	-	5,863	8,136	9,078
DELAWARE											
DELAWARE	T	11	18	15	18	11	9	8	2,676	2,005	2,223
INDIANA											
INDIANA	T	62	57	47	49	25	18	5	7,575	4,985	5,080
MARYLAND											
MARYLAND	T	3	4	7	6	16	11	4	1,058	1,047	1,118
MICHIGAN											
MICHIGAN	T	57	71	71	66	45	34	35	2,512	1,783	2,089
MISSOURI											
SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	T	16	5	2	-	3	5	3	3,639	2,735	2,751
NORTH CAROLINA											
NORTH CAROLINA	T	17	13	13	17	14	11	5	3,277	3,171	3,203
SOUTH CAROLINA											
SOUTH CAROLINA	T	2	4	4	2	5	-	-	3,045	1,685	1,865
TEXAS											
TEXAS	T	14	14	-	-	-	-	-	2,326	3,003	3,081
VIRGINIA											
VIRGINIA	T	-	16	13	13	16	8	4	440	222	222
<u>WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE - ORGANIC</u>											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	-	-	3	2	2	-	-	521	264	323
<u>WATERMELONS - SEEDLESS</u>											
CANADA											
IMPORTS THROUGH BUFFALO NEW YORK	T I	5	3	3	6	2	-	-	27	5	5
IMPORTS THROUGH DERBY LINE VERMONT	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH DETROIT MICHIGAN	T I	1	2	3	9	3	-	-	22	5	5
IMPORTS THROUGH JACKMAN MAINE	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HURON MICHIGAN	T I	-	1	1	3	1	-	-	8	4	4
MEXICO											
IMPORTS THROUGH DETROIT MICHIGAN	T I	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	12,438
GRAND TOTALS		292	317	296	279	216	124	64	38,893	33,888	49,393
Trans Mode: T = Truck A = Air B = Boat R = Rail P = Piggyback						Imp-Exp: E = Export I = Import					

Shipments in 40,000 LB Units from 9/14/2026 to 9/20/2026

Commodity/Var/Prop/Origin/District	Trans Mode/ Imp- Exp	Sep 14	Sep 15	Sep 16	Sep 17	Sep 18	Sep 19	Sep 20	Total This Season	To Date Last Season	Final Last Season
<u>CANTALOUPE</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	146	134	138	122	135	28	-	8,939	10,863	13,886
<u>CANADA</u>											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HURON MICHIGAN	T I	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	7	7	9
<u>CANTALOUPE - ORGANIC</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	4	6	1	1	2	-	-	724	244	318
GRAND TOTALS		151	140	140	123	137	28	-	9,715	11,115	14,216

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<u>HONEYDEWS</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	43	59	53	50	40	14	-	3,920	4,119	5,091
<u>HONEYDEWS - ORGANIC</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	358	125	150
GRAND TOTALS		45	59	53	50	40	14	-	4,278	4,244	5,241

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SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION

Sales F.O.B Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for September 21, 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.

DELAWARE, MARYLAND AND EASTERN SHORE VIRGINIA

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. Wide range in prices. Some sales are from prior bookings and/or previous commitments with few new sales. Red Flesh Seedless Type 24 inch bins 36s 150.00-170.00 mostly 150.00-168.00 Occasional higher. 45s 133.00-170.00 mostly 145.00-154.00 Occasional higher. 60s 140.00-154.00 mostly 140.00-147.00 Occasional higher.

MICHIGAN

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND RED FLESH SEEDLESS 60S MODERATE, OTHERS GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in prices. Some sales are from prior bookings and/or previous commitments with few new sales. Red Flesh Seedless Type 24 inch bins 36s 176.00-189.00 Some prior commitments 154.00, Occasional higher. 45s 168.00-175.00 Few previous commitments 154.00. 60s 154.00-168.00 Some previous commitments 147.00.

SOUTHWEST INDIANA AND SOUTHEAST ILLINOIS

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in prices. Some sales are from prior bookings and/or previous commitments with few new sales. Red Flesh Seedless Type 24 inch bins 36s 154.00-175.00 mostly 154.00-168.00 45s 154.00-168.00 Occasional higher, some prior commitments 133.00-147.00. 60s Supplies in too few hands to establish a market.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA

CANTALOUPE: SUPPLY FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET STEADY. Extra services included. Many present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 1/2 cartons 9s 11.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-14.00 occasional higher 12s 11.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-14.00 occasional higher oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 11.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-14.00 occasional higher ORGANIC 1/2 cartons 9s supplies in too few hands to establish a market 12s supplies in too few hands to establish a market

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY CONVENTIONAL 6S VERY LIGHT, OTHERS FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET STEADY. Extra services included. A wide range of quality and condition. 2/3 cartons 5s 10.00-13.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 occasional higher 6s 10.00-13.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 occasional higher ORGANIC 2/3 cartons 5s supplies in too few hands to establish a market 6s supplies in too few hands to establish a market

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY APPROXIMATELY 36 COUNT LIGHT, OTHERS FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Many present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. Red Flesh Seedless Type 24 inch bins approx 36 count 147.00-180.00 mostly 161.00-168.00 approx 45 count 147.00-170.00 mostly 147.00-154.00 occasional higher approx 60 count 126.00-143.00 mostly 126.00-133.00 occasional higher

**WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET
PRICES AS OF
September 21, 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 CALIFORNIA repacked enroute 9s 27.00-38.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons/crates CALIFORNIA 6s 27.00-37.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. bins repacked enroute RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 45s 215.00-250.00

ATLANTA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET HIGHER. OFFERINGS 1/2-CARTONS OVERSIZED 9S (6 SIZE) VERY LIGHT. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 9s 27.75-30.00 mostly 28.00-29.00 12s 27.75-30.00 mostly 28.00-29.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 29.00-30.00 occasional higher/lower

HONEYDEWS: MARKET HIGHER. OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 5s 24.50-26.50 mostly 25.00-26.00 6s 24.50-26.50 mostly 25.00-26.00 Occasional lower 8s insufficient to quote

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS YELLOW FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE VERY LIGHT. 24 inch bins repacked local BLACK DIAMOND Round Types 45s 240.00-250.00 occasional higher/lower RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 36s 165.00-175.00 occasional higher/lower SUGAR BABY Round Types 45s 100.00 occasional higher/lower YELLOW FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s fine appearance 238.50-248.50 60s 220.00-225.00 VIRGINIA BLACK DIAMOND Round Types 45s 240.00-250.00 occasional higher/lower RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Long Types 240.00-250.00 (approximately 22 count) approx 25 count 218.50-228.50 occasional higher/lower approx 28 count 240.00-250.00 approx 35 count 218.50-228.50 occasional higher/lower fine appearance 240.00-250.00 occasional higher/lower RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 194.00-204.00 approx 36 count fine appearance 175.00-185.00 few high as 200.00 approx 45 count fine appearance 318.50-328.50 occasional higher/lower approx 60 count fine appearance 318.50-328.50 occasional higher/lower flat cartons INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types 6s 15.00-16.00 mostly 16.00 occasional higher/lower

BOSTON

CANTALOUPE: MARKET HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 25.00-28.00 9s (6 size) 30.00 12s 28.00 occasional lower

HONEYDEWS: MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 25.00-28.00 mostly 25.00-26.00 6s 25.00-28.00 mostly 25.00 26.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s per carton 25.00 5s per carton 25.00 24 inch bins DELAWARE RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 36s per melon 7.00 45s per melon 4.50-5.00 60s per melon 4.00 INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 60s per melon 4.50 flat cartons CALIFORNIA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types 6s per carton 25.00

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPE: MARKET REGULAR 12S SLIGHTLY LOWER, JUMBO 9S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s fine appearance 24.00 12s 20.00-22.00 fine appearance 24.00-25.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 20.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s fine appearance 23.00 6s 20.00 fair quality 17.00 fine appearance 23.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s (4 size) 20.00 fair quality 18.00 fine appearance 23.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons repacked local RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s 30.00-32.00 5s 30.00 32.00 24 inch bins INDIANA BLACK DIAMOND Round Types 45s 180.00-190.00 RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 185.00 200.00 60s 180.00-200.00 fine appearance 260.00 MICHIGAN RED FLESH SEEDED TYPE Round Types 28s 200.00 RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 180.00-200.00 fine appearance 240.00 60s 180.00-200.00 fine appearance 220.00 TEXAS RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 280.00

ORGANIC CANTALOUPE: MARKET REGULAR 12S SLIGHTLY LOWER, JUMBO 9S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 12s 32.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 32.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flat cartons OHIO RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE Round Types 6s 24.00

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET LOWER. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 26.00-28.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 30.00-32.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET 5S HIGHER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 23.00-25.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s (4 size) 25.00-26.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET DELAWARE HIGHER. MICHIGAN LOWER. 24 inch bins DELAWARE RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 36s 220.00-230.00 45s 220.00-240.00 60s 200.00-220.00 MICHIGAN RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 36s 260.00

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 9s 19.00-21.00 mostly 20.00-21.00 12s fine appearance 20.00-22.00 TUSCAN TYPE 9s 16.00-17.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 18.00-22.00 mostly 20.00-22.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 5s 16.00-19.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 fair condition 12.00-14.00 5s (4 size) 18.00-19.00 6s 18.00-19.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 10s 22.00 (black diamond) RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s 30.00-32.00 5s 30.00-32.00 bins CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA RED FLESH SEEDED TYPE 45s 190.00-215.00 mostly 200.00 RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 8s 180.00-190.00 28s 180.00-190.00 60s 190.00-215.00 mostly 200.00

MIAMI

CANTALOUPE: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 27.00-30.00 12s 27.00-30.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 23.00-27.00 6s 23.00-27.00

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 24 inch bins NORTH CAROLINA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 60s per melon 5.00-6.00 mostly 6.00

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPE: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 26.00-28.00 12s 26.00-28.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 28.00-30.00 fine appearance 32.00-34.50

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 22.00-24.00 fine appearance 28.00-30.00 6s 24.00-26.00 fine appearance 28.00-30.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s (4 size) 26.00-28.00 fine appearance 30.00-32.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 6s 20.00-22.00 cartons 4s DELAWARE RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65-69 lb 38.00-40.00 INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65-69 lb 38.00-40.00 TEXAS RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65-69 lb fine appearance 45.00 24 inch bins DELAWARE RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s 240.00-260.00 45s 240.00-260.00 60s 220.00 250.00 TEXAS RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s fine appearance 425.00 45s 325.00 VIRGINIA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s 240.00-260.00 45s 220.00-250.00 mostly 230.00-240.00 60s 200.00-240.00 mostly 220.00