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Information is for major shipping point areas.

Shipments in 40,000 LB Units from 9/15/2026 to 9/21/2026

Commodity/Var/Prop/Origin/District	Trans Mode/ Imp- Exp	Sep 15	Sep 16	Sep 17	Sep 18	Sep 19	Sep 20	Sep 21	Total This Season	To Date Last Season	Final Last Season
WATERMELONS	-										
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDED TYPE	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	211	256	256
DELAWARE											
DELAWARE	T	1	3	1	-	1	-	-	99	47	47
INDIANA											
INDIANA	T	5	3	3	-	-	-	-	718	505	508
MARYLAND											
MARYLAND	T	4	1	-	3	-	-	4	24	24	24
MICHIGAN											
MICHIGAN	T	3	4	2	-	-	-	-	197	197	220
TEXAS											
TEXAS	T	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	545	489	489
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS											
MINIATURE	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	27	31	7	24	17	-	26	2,841	2,343	2,677
DELAWARE											
DELAWARE	T	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	10	2	2
INDIANA											
INDIANA	T	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	46	86	89
MARYLAND											
MARYLAND	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PRESIDIO	T I	6	5	5	5	-	-	3	40	50	242
TEXAS											
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS											
MINIATURE - ORGANIC	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	8	5	5	4	-	-	18	908	555	684

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	6	1	1	2	-	-	10	734	244	318
GRAND TOTALS		140	140	123	137	28	-	118	9,794	11,115	14,216

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SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	59	53	50	40	14	-	64	3,984	4,119	5,091
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SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	365	125	150
GRAND TOTALS		59	53	50	40	14	-	72	4,349	4,244	5,241

Commodity/Var/Prop/Origin/District	Trans Mode/ Imp-Exp	Sep 15	Sep 16	Sep 17	Sep 18	Sep 19	Sep 20	Sep 21	Total This Season	7
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SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION

Sales F.O.B Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for September 22, 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.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA

CANTALOUPE: SUPPLY FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. Extra services included. Many present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 1/2 cartons 9s 11.50-14.00 mostly 12.50-14.00 occasional higher 12s 11.50-14.00 mostly 12.50-14.00 occasional higher oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 11.00-14.00 mostly 12.50-14.00 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 SLIGHTLY HIGHER. Extra services included. A wide range of quality and condition. 2/3 cartons 5s 11.00-13.50 mostly 12.00-13.00 occasional higher and lower 6s 11.00-13.50 mostly 12.00-13.00 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 147.00-182.00 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

MICHIGAN

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY RED FLESH SEEDLESS 36S LIGHT, OTHERS 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 175.00-189.00 mostly 176.00-189.00 Occasional higher. 45s 160.00-181.00 mostly 168.00-175.00 60s 145.00-168.00 mostly 154.00-168.00 Occasional higher.

**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 140.00-168.00 mostly 140.00-154.00

**DELAWARE, MARYLAND AND
EASTERN SHORE VIRGINIA**

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY RED FLESH SEEDLESS 36S FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. 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 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.

**WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET
PRICES AS OF
September 22, 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

CANTALOUPEs: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. flat cartons CALIFORNIA repacked enroute 9s 27.00-38.00

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

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

ATLANTA

CANTALOUPEs: MARKET STEADY. 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

HONEYDEW's: MARKET STEADY. 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

WATERMELON's: MARKET ABOUT 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 220.00-225.00 60s 245.00-250.00 VIRGINIA BLACK DIAMOND Round Types 45s 240.00-250.00 occasional higher/lower RED FLESH SEEDED 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 270.00-275.00 approx 36 count fine appearance 270.00-275.00 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

CANTALOUPEs: MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 24.00-28.00 mostly 28.00 9s (6 size) 30.00 12s 24.00-28.00 mostly 28.00 occasional lower

HONEYDEW's: MARKET LOWER. 2/3 cartons ARIZONA 6s fair condition 12.00-14.00 CALIFORNIA 5s 24.00-26.00 6s 24.00-26.00

WATERMELON's: 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

CANTALOUPEs: MARKET 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

HONEYDEW's: 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

WATERMELON's: 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 CANTALOUPEs: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 12s 32.00

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

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

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPEs: 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

HONEYDEW's: 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

WATERMELON's: 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

CANTALOUPEs: MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 26.00-29.00 12s 26.00-29.00

HONEYDEW's: MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 23.00-26.00 6s 23.00-26.00

WATERMELON's: 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 45.00-48.00 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 440.00-450.00 45s 440.00-450.00 VIRGINIA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s 250.00-260.00 45s 250.00-260.00 60s 240.00-250.00

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 26.00-28.00 12s 26.00-28.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 30.00-32.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 23.00-25.00 mostly 23.00-24.00 6s 23.00-25.00 mostly 23.00 24.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s (4 size) 24.00-25.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. 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