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Information is for major shipping point areas.

Shipments in 40,000 LB Units from 9/28/2026 to 10/4/2026

Commodity/Var/Prop/Origin/District	Trans Mode/ Imp- Exp	Sep 28	Sep 29	Sep 30	Oct 01	Oct 02	Oct 03	Oct 04	Total This Season	To Date Last Season	Final Last Season
WATERMELONS	-										
CANADA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HURON MICHIGAN	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC											
IMPORTS THROUGH SAN JUAN PUERTO RICO	B I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	52
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	43	359
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	2	4	2	1	-	-	-	25	92	5,537
WATERMELONS - ORGANIC	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	125	-	-
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDED TYPE	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	220	256	256
DELAWARE											
DELAWARE	T	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	102	47	47
MARYLAND											
MARYLAND	T	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	27	24	24
SOUTH CAROLINA											
SOUTH CAROLINA	T	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	112	101	101
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	19	21	26	26	21	-	-	3,097	2,614	2,677
DELAWARE											
DELAWARE	T	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	11	2	2
INDIANA											
INDIANA	T	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	53	89	89
MARYLAND											
MARYLAND	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
NORTH CAROLINA											
NORTH CAROLINA	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	13	13
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	1	1	3	-	-	-	6	12	2,673
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE - ORGANIC	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	9	5	11	-	14	-	-	1,012	665	684
WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	37	37	49	29	76	-	-	6,245	8,819	9,078

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DELAWARE											
DELAWARE	T	5	5	9	11	8	8	7	2,825	2,178	2,223
INDIANA											
INDIANA	T	24	21	17	22	11	6	7	7,860	5,071	5,080
MARYLAND											
MARYLAND	T	3	5	3	4	4	3	-	1,077	1,070	1,118
MICHIGAN											
MICHIGAN	T	44	32	37	46	30	21	16	3,041	2,046	2,089
NORTH CAROLINA											
NORTH CAROLINA	T	5	11	3	3	3	-	2	3,350	3,203	3,203
SOUTH CAROLINA											
SOUTH CAROLINA	T	-	-	4	3	11	-	1	3,092	1,715	1,865
VIRGINIA											
VIRGINIA	T	-	-	-	-	3	-	2	453	222	222
<u>WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE - ORGANIC</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	5	4	4	-	8	-	-	572	317	323
<u>WATERMELONS - SEEDLESS</u>	-										
CANADA											
IMPORTS THROUGH DERBY LINE VERMONT	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH JACKMAN MAINE	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HURON MICHIGAN	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	4	4
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	2	2	7	7	5	-	-	25	23	12,438
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	37	514
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	5	4	27	-	-	-	-	52	97	1,038
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	8	34	1,894
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH RIO GRANDE CITY TEXAS	T I	15	13	57	-	-	-	-	124	90	1,259
GRAND TOTALS		178	171	260	161	197	39	37	33,544	28,890	54,865

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Imp-Exp: E = Export I = Import

<u>CANTALOUPE</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	103	115	122	80	115	65	-	10,197	12,633	13,886
CANADA											
IMPORTS THROUGH DERBY LINE VERMONT	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH JACKMAN MAINE	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH PORT HURON MICHIGAN	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	9	9
ITALY											
IMPORTS THROUGH NEW YORK JFK AIRPORT	A I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
JAPAN											
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES AIRPORT CALIFORNIA	A I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>CANTALOUPE - ORGANIC</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	5	5	10	9	14	-	-	834	299	318
GRAND TOTALS		108	120	132	89	129	65	-	11,039	12,942	14,214

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HONEYDEWS	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	33	69	68	38	64	32	-	4,566	4,764	5,091
CANADA											
IMPORTS THROUGH DETROIT MICHIGAN	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	-	3	2	3	-	-	-	17	-	3,609
HONEYDEWS - ORGANIC	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	3	3	8	5	8	-	-	422	149	150
GRAND TOTALS		36	75	78	46	72	32	-	5,005	4,913	8,850

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SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION

Sales F.O.B Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for October 5, 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

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

CANTALOUPE: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND 12S MODERATE, OTHERS FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET 12S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Many present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 1/2 cartons 9s 12.00-15.00 mostly 13.50-14.50 occasional higher 12s 10.00-14.00 mostly 10.50-11.50 occasional higher oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 12.00-15.00 mostly 13.50-14.50 occasional higher

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included.

A wide range of quality and condition. 2/3 cartons 5s 11.00-15.00 mostly 12.50-13.50 occasional higher and lower 6s 10.00-13.00 mostly 10.50-12.50 occasional higher

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND GOOD. MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. Extra services included. Many present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. Red Flesh Seedless Type 24 inch bins approx 36 count 161.00-203.00 mostly 182.00-196.00 occasional higher and lower approx 45 count 161.00-203.00 mostly 175.00-196.00 occasional higher and lower approx 60 count 140.00-175.00 mostly 161.00-168.00 occasional higher

MICHIGAN

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT. DEMAND VERY GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in prices. Some sales are from prior bookings and/or previous commitments with few new sales. Some harvest curtailed due to rain and wet fields. Red Flesh Seedless Type 24 inch bins 36s Supplies too insufficient to establish a market. 45s 224.00 Some previous commitments at 182-196. 60s 210.00-224.00 Some previous commitments at 182-196.

**WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET
PRICES AS OF
October 5, 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 33.00-41.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET. OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons/crates CALIFORNIA 6s 28.00-40.00

ATLANTA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS 1/2-CARTONS OVERSIZED 9S (6 SIZE) VERY LIGHT. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 9s 29.00-32.00 mostly 30.00-31.50 12s 30.00-33.00 mostly 31.00-32.50 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 31.00 occasional higher/lower

HONEYDEWS: MARKET CALIFORNIA 2/3-CARTONS 5S SLIGHTLY LOWER, OTHERS STEADY. OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 5s 23.00-25.00 mostly 24.00-25.00 occasional lower 6s 27.00-29.00 occasional lower MEXICO 5s 23.00-25.00 mostly 23.00-24.00 Occasional lower 6s 23.00-25.00 mostly 23.00-24.00 Occasional lower

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. OFFERINGS YELLOW FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE VERY LIGHT. cartons TEXAS RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 5s 30.00-32.00 occasional higher/lower 24 inch bins repacked local RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 318.50-328.50 approx 60 count 318.50-328.50 occasional higher/lower YELLOW FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 60s 215.00-225.00 VIRGINIA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Long Types 240.00-250.00 (approximately 22 count) approx 28 count 240.00-250.00 approx 35 count 240.00-250.00 occasional higher/lower fine appearance 240.00-250.00 occasional higher/lower

BOSTON

CANTALOUPE: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 25.00-28.00 mostly 25.00-27.00 12s 24.00-28.00 mostly 24.00-26.00 MISSISSIPPI 9s 24.00 12s 24.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 22.00-25.00 mostly 23.00-25.00 6s 22.00-26.00 mostly 23.00-25.00

MELON, HAMI : OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 4s 26.00-28.00 5s 26.00-28.00 6s 26.00-28.00 8s 26.00-28.00

MELON, JUAN CANARY: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 6s 26.00-28.00 8s 26.00-28.00

MELON, ORANGE FLESH: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 8s 26.00-28.00

MELON, SANTA CLAUS (PIEL DE SAPO): OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 6s 26.00-28.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons CALIFORNIA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s per carton 20.00 INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s per carton 44.00 5s per carton 42.00 24 inch bins INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s per melon 8.50 60s per melon 5.50-6.00 MISSISSIPPI RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s per melon 8.50 60s per melon 5.50-6.00

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPE: MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 25.00-26.00 12s 22.00-25.00 mostly 23.00-24.00 fine appearance 27.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 24.00-26.50

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 22.00-23.00 MEXICO 5s 20.00 6s 20.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s (4 size) 21.00-22.00 6s (5 size) 21.00

MELON, HAMI : OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 10.00

MELON, ORANGE FLESH: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 10.00

MELON, SANTA CLAUS (PIEL DE SAPO): OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 6s 10.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons repacked local RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s 32.00-34.00 5s 32.00-34.00 24 inch bins INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s fine appearance 260.00-280.00 60s 225.00 fine appearance 260.00 MICHIGAN RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 60s 220.00-225.00 YELLOW FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 200.00

ORGANIC CANTALOUPE: MARKET SLIGHTLY HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 12s 28.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s Offerings insufficient to quote

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 9s 19.00-22.00 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) 18.00-23.00 mostly 20.00-22.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 5s 19.00-20.00 fair condition 14.00-16.00 5s (4 size) 19.00-20.00 6s 19.00-20.00

MELON, HAMI : MARKET STEADY. flat cartons CALIFORNIA CENTRAL SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA 4s 13.00-14.00 5s 13.00-14.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 8s 22.00 (black diamond) 9s 22.00 (black diamond) RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s 36.00-38.00 5s 36.00-38.00 MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 8s 28.00 (black diamond) 9s 28.00 (black diamond) bins CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA RED FLESH SEEDED TYPE 45s 245.00-255.00 RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 60s 245.00-255.00

MIAMI

CANTALOUPE: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 29.00-33.00 occasional higher 12s 29.00-33.00 occasional higher

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 26.00-30.00 6s 26.00-30.00

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 24 inch bins NORTH CAROLINA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 60s per melon 6.00-7.00

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPE: MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 23.00-26.00 12s 22.00-26.00 mostly 24.00 holdovers 15.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 24.00-28.00 mostly 26.00 occasional higher fine appearance 32.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 22.00-24.00 holdovers 18.00 fine appearance 26.00-28.00 6s 22.00-24.00 fine appearance 27.00-28.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s (4 size) 22.00-24.00 fine appearance 26.00-27.00 6s (5 size) 23.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons 4s DELAWARE RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65-69 lb 40.00-44.00 mostly 42.00 MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65-69 lb 43.00-45.00 TEXAS RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65-69 lb 45.00 24 inch bins DELAWARE RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 45s 230.00-250.00 60s 230.00-250.00 TEXAS RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 36s fine appearance 400.00

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 26.00-28.00 fine appearance 30.00 12s 22.00-25.00 mostly 23.00-25.00 fine appearance 30.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 28.00-30.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 22.00-26.00 mostly 22.00-24.00 6s 22.00-26.00 mostly 22.00- 24.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s (4 size) 26.00 6s (5 size) 26.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons MICHIGAN RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 5s 30.00 24 inch bins INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 300.00 MARYLAND RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 36s 260.00 45s 260.00 60s 250.00 MICHIGAN RED FLESH SEEDED TYPE Round Types 35s 270.00 YELLOW FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 300.00