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Information is for major shipping point areas.

Shipments in 40,000 LB Units from 9/29/2026 to 10/5/2026

Commodity/Var/Prop/Origin/District	Trans Mode/ Imp- Exp	Sep 29	Sep 30	Oct 01	Oct 02	Oct 03	Oct 04	Oct 05	Total This Season	To Date Last Season	Final Last Season
<u>WATERMELONS</u>	-										
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 PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	4	2	1	-	-	-	2	27	92	5,537
<u>WATERMELONS - ORGANIC</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	125	-	-
<u>WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDED TYPE</u>	-										
DELAWARE											
DELAWARE	T	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	102	47	47
MARYLAND											
MARYLAND	T	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	28	24	24
SOUTH CAROLINA											
SOUTH CAROLINA	T	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	112	101	101
<u>WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	21	26	26	21	-	-	27	3,123	2,614	2,677
DELAWARE											
DELAWARE	T	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	11	2	2
INDIANA											
INDIANA	T	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	-	-	-	2	8	12	2,673
<u>WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE - ORGANIC</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	5	11	-	14	-	-	-	1,012	665	684
<u>WATERMELONS - RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE</u>	-										
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL											
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	37	49	29	76	-	-	50	6,295	8,819	9,078
DELAWARE											
DELAWARE	T	5	9	11	8	8	7	-	2,825	2,188	2,223

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INDIANA											
INDIANA	T	21	17	22	11	6	7	7	7,867	5,071	5,080
MARYLAND											
MARYLAND	T	5	3	4	6	3	-	5	1,084	1,070	1,118
MICHIGAN											
MICHIGAN	T	32	37	46	30	21	16	26	3,068	2,046	2,089
NORTH CAROLINA											
NORTH CAROLINA	T	11	3	3	3	-	2	-	3,350	3,203	3,203
SOUTH CAROLINA											
SOUTH CAROLINA	T	-	4	3	11	-	1	8	3,101	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	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	7	7	5	-	-	5	30	23	12,438
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA CALIFORNIA	T I	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	37	514
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR TEXAS	T I	4	27	-	-	-	-	22	75	97	1,038
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO TEXAS	T I	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	34	1,894
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH RIO GRANDE CITY TEXAS	T I	13	57	-	-	-	-	20	144	90	1,259
GRAND TOTALS		171	260	161	199	39	37	175	33,500	28,601	54,250

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Imp-Exp: E = Export I = Import

CANTALOUPE**CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL**

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	115	122	80	115	65	-	115	10,312	12,633	13,886
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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
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JAPAN

IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES AIRPORT CALIFORNIA	A I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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CANTALOUPE - ORGANIC**CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL**

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	5	10	9	14	-	-	-	834	299	318
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GRAND TOTALS

		120	132	89	129	65	-	115	11,154	12,942	14,214
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<u>HONEYDEWS</u>											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL	-										
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	69	68	38	64	32	-	71	4,638	4,764	5,091
<u>CANADA</u>											
IMPORTS THROUGH DETROIT MICHIGAN	T I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>MEXICO</u>											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES ARIZONA	T I	3	2	3	-	-	-	2	18	-	3,609
<u>HONEYDEWS - ORGANIC</u>											
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL	-										
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CALIFORNIA	T	3	8	5	8	-	-	-	422	149	150
GRAND TOTALS		75	78	46	72	32	-	73	5,078	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 6, 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 SLIGHTLY HIGHER, 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 10.50-12.50 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 6S SLIGHTLY HIGHER, 5S 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 10.00-14.00 mostly 11.00-13.00 occasional higher

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND GOOD. MARKET STEADY.

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: Red Flesh Seedless Type 24 inch bins Supplies insufficient and in too few hands to establish a market.

**WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET
PRICES AS OF
October 6, 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 32.00-41.00

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 ABOUT 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 SEEDED 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 24.00-28.00 mostly 25.00-27.00 12s 24.00-28.00 mostly 24.00- 26.00 TUSCAN TYPE 11s ordinary condition 6.00-8.00 MISSISSIPPI 9s 24.00 12s 24.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET HIGHER. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 24.00-26.00 6s 24.00-26.00

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, KOREAN: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flat cartons MEXICO 12s 26.00

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 MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 36s per melon 10.00-12.00 45s per melon 8.00-9.00 60s per melon 5.00-6.00 MISSISSIPPI RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s per melon 8.50 60s per melon 5.50- 6.00

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 25.00-26.00 12s 25.00-27.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 24.00-26.50
HONEYDEWS: MARKET 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 MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s fine appearance 350.00-375.00 MICHIGAN RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 60s 220.00-225.00 YELLOW FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 200.00
ORGANIC CANTALOUPE: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 12s 28.00

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 SLIGHTLY LOWER. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 29.00-32.00 occasional higher 12s 29.00-32.00 occasional higher
HONEYDEWS: MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 25.00-29.00 6s 25.00-29.00
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 ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s 20.00-24.00 mostly 22.00 fine appearance 26.00-28.00 12s 22.00 -25.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CALIFORNIA 9s (6 size) 24.00-28.00 mostly 26.00 occasional higher
HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 22.00-24.00 6s 24.00-27.00 holdovers 18.00-20.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s (4 size) 26.00-28.00 holdovers 20.00-22.00
WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons INDIANA RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE 6s 18.00-20.00 cartons 4s MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65-69 lb 43.00-45.00 fine appearance 48.00-52.00 mostly 50.00 SOUTH CAROLINA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 65- 69 lb 38.00-42.00 mostly 40.00

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPE: MARKET LOWER. 1/2 cartons ARIZONA U.S. ONE 12s fair condition 16.00 fair appearance 20.00 CALIFORNIA 9s 22.00- 24.00 mostly 23.00-24.00 fine appearance 27.00-28.00 12s 22.00-24.00 mostly 22.00-23.00 fine appearance 27.00-28.00
HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s 22.00-25.00 mostly 23.00-25.00 6s 22.00-25.00 mostly 23.00- 25.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CALIFORNIA 5s (4 size) 26.00 6s (5 size) 26.00
WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 4s 42.00 MICHIGAN RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 5s 30.00 24 inch bins DELAWARE RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 36s 270.00 45s 270.00 MEXICO RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 375.00 MICHIGAN RED FLESH SEEDED TYPE Round Types 28s 240.00 SOUTH CAROLINA RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE Round Types 45s 260.00