

Market Updates:

May 10th, 2024

Conventional Fruit:



Apples: Supplies remain strong overall. The heaviest supply is on larger size and lower grades. Most promotable varieties include Ambrosia, Cosmic Crisp, Granny smith and Red Delicious.



Bananas: The market remains steady with light supplies from all shippers.



Berries: Blackberries. Markets are steady with good supplies.

Blueberries – Markets are steady with promotable supplies. **Raspberries** – Markets remain strong with light supplies. **Strawberries** - Markets are stronger with lighter supplies.



Citrus: Oranges – California Navels are on the backend of the season. Due to low fruit sets and rain events, fruit will start to show quality issues along with. Imported fruit will start to arrive in about 4 weeks.

Lemons - The overall peak size is 115ct and larger. The main growing region is District 1. Sizes smaller than 140ct are extremely tight.

Limes- The markets are steady on all sizes except for 110's, pricing is strong. Limited production keeps pricing higher.



Citrus, Varietal: Grapefruit –Texas and California markets are steady with good supplies. Expect these markets to remain with low yields from the growing districts.

Tangerines - Expect to see California Tangerine supplies to last through May.



Grapes: Markets remain strong. Import bag Green, Red, and Muscat Beauty in stock. Mexico Green grapes will start in a small way next week.



Melons: Cantaloupe - Markets are steady out of Mexico. California new crop will start around 5-16. 9 and 12CT size in stock. Honeydew- Markets are steady. Watermelon – Markets are steady on Mini, cartons, and Bins.



Tropical Fruit: Mangos — 10CT Tommy's are plentiful for promotions. FOB pricing is still very strong on larger sized fruit. Honey Mango and Champagne Mango markets are steady.

Pineapple – Supplies and markets are steady.

Kiwi Fruit – Chilean fruit is starting to enter the market, but pricing remains very strong.

Dragon Fruit – Ecuador is shipping both red and yellow varieties. The market continues to climb. Yellow varieties will see tight supplies for the next few weeks.



Pears: Markets are steady. New crop offshore Bartletts and Bosc pears are now available.



Varietal Fruit

Chilean Stone Fruit: Full line-up of California Stone Fruit is rolling. Peaches and Nectarines are showing good color but not a lot of size yet. Cherry volume out of the gate is substantial, all reports show a good season with over 10 million boxes expected to ship. Rainier Cherries will start around the 3rd week of May.



Conventional Vegetables:



Anise / Fennel: Supplies are better with steady markets. We have Queen Victoria brand in stock for next week.



Artichokes: Markets are strong with light supplies on short stem and long stem artichokes.



Asparagus: 20 lb. and 28 lb. cases from Washington in stock



Avocados: Strong Markets on 48's and larger, steady and 60's and smaller.



Beets: Markets and supplies are steady.

Bunch beets are Boskovich brand from Mexico.



Beans: Markets and supplies are steady.



Bok Choy: Supplies are light with higher markets. We are loading Beachside label from California.



Broccoli: Markets are steady and remains somewhat tight as cool weather persists in the Salinas and Santa Maria growing areas.



Broccoli Artisan Sweet Baby: Supplies are good. We are loading Andy Boy label from Salinas.



Brussel Sprouts: Supplies are good with steady markets. We have the 25# bulk and 12/2# packs in stock now. Good value on the 25# bulk for next week Good item to promote.



Cabbage: Markets are steady on Both. We are loading new crop from Salinas area.

We will have bin cabbage from Texas available on 5/8.



Carrots: Markets are Steady. Supply is good. Some smaller Jumbos out of California.



Cauliflower: Cauliflower markets are trending down for next week as supplies are increasing. Things should improve as warmer weather helps size things up.



Celery: Prices have firmed up due the desert areas finishing. We are seeing some seeder issues with the Oxnard product which will affect yields. Salinas will start production the 1st week of June.



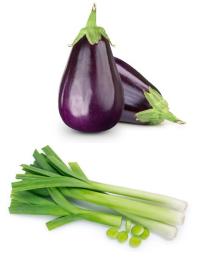
Cilantro: Markets are steady with good quality coming from California. The Boskovich brand is back in stock.

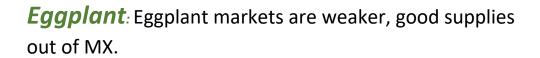


Corn: 12/4 packaged corn and 48 ct California Prime Time label Bi-Color corn in stock.



Cucumbers: Slicing cucumbers are steady with good volume. Hot House cucumbers are still in great supply and remain promotable through May.





Leeks: Markets are steady. We have Ratto label in stock now.



Lettuce: Supplies are getting better as the weather is warming. The market is trending down for next week. The quality and weights are improving.



Lettuce, Leaf/romaine: Both leaf and romaine markets are still holding firm for next week due to reduced yields cause by planting gaps and soil borne disease. Improved supply should lead to lower markets in the upcoming weeks.



Mushrooms: Good supplies and availability with all growers currently.



Potatoes: Stronger markets on colored potatoes out of the NW. Russets are steady. Colored potatoes are wrapping up out of WA/ID and will transition to CA in June.



Onions: Markets are stronger on red onions with short supplies. Vidalia Sweet Onions are in stock.



Onions, Green: Supplies are getting better, and markets are getting back to normal levels.



Peas: The supplies are better snap peas and lighter on snow peas. We will see better production and lower markets in the upcoming weeks.



Peppers: The green pepper market is steady with production out of Nogales and Coachella. Field color bells are steady. HH bell peppers have excellent supply with MX and Canada both going strong.



Peppers, Mini Sweet: Markets are steady out of MX. Quality is fair.



Peppers, Chilies & Tomatillos: Markets are very strong as Nogales looks to be finishing early and Baja/Coachella are still a few weeks away from production. Jalapenos and serranoes especially will be very high priced for the next 3-4 weeks.



Spinach: The supplies are moderate. We have N/W grown on code #19303.



Squash: Supply is strong out of Nogales. Small numbers are also starting out of the California desert and central California so the market should remain soft.



Squash, Variety: Markets are steady though slightly tighter on Acorn, Butternut, Kabocha, and Spaghetti. Delicata now available.



Tomatoes: Demand exceeds on Rounds and Romas. In FL, rain last week has hampered production. Both quality and production are down. Mexico's crops are at lighter levels as the Sinaloa region winds down. In a few weeks, there will be new production from northern areas. Baja will begin in May. Nogales will run through early June.



Yams & Sweet Potatoes: Markets are steady on conventional yams/sweets. Shorter supplies on red yams.



Organic Fruit:







Avocados, Organic: Markets remain strong. 40's, 48's 60's, and 12/2 lb bags in stock.



Bananas, Organic: Markets are steady with good supply.



Berries, Organic: Organic Raspberries remain strong with light supplies. Organic Blackberry are steady. Markets are steady on Organic Blueberries. Organic Strawberries are steady.



Citrus, Organic: California Navel Orange production is wrapping up. Lemon markets are steady. Mexico Grapefruit markets are steady. We'll continue to see some quality issues this month as rain has affected post-harvest treatment.



Grapes, Organic: N/A until Mexico starts in June.



Kiwi, Organic: California supplies are wrapping up. Look for imported kiwi to start by mid-March.



Mangoes, Organic: Mexico markets on both Honey Mango and Tommy's are steady. We'll see a supply gap as we come into mid to late April as growing regions move to the north.



Melons, Organic: Markets are steady on cartons and minis.



Pears, Organic: NW pears are wrapping up for the season. New crop offshore Bartletts now available out of Argentina.



Pineapple, Organic: Supplies out of Mexico are steady.



Organic Vegetables:



Anise "Fennel", Organic: Supplies are good, and markets are steady.



Beets, Organic: Markets are steady on bunched red, bunched gold beets are gapping. Both red and gold are available in 25# bags.



Broccoli, Organic: Markets are steady for next week. Expect markets at current levels for 1-2 more weeks.



Brussel Sprouts, Organic: Markets are steady with moderate supplies. 8/1# in stock now.



Cabbage, Organic: Markets are steady on green and red. We are loading Grimmway label on both.



Carrots, Organic: Market is steady. Gapping on Rainbow 24/2 cello and 25lb rainbow table.



Cauliflower, Organic: Production is still light due the cool spring weather. Supplies should improve next week which will lead to lower markets in the upcoming weeks.



Celery, Organic: Production is lighter with Mexico and the desert areas finished up. We are seeing higher markets for next week. Salinas will start the first week of June.

Cilantro, Organic: Markets are steady with better supplies.

More shippers are offering.



Cucumbers, Organic: Markets are steady out of Nogales on field and HH cucumbers.



Greens, Organic: Markets are steady on all kales, chards, and collards. We are loading from Mexico and California



Green Onions & Radishes, Organic: Markets are steady on radish and green onions. Local grown radishes are in stock now.



Herbs, Organic: Supplies are better with current markets for next week.



Lettuce, Organic: Romaine hearts supplies are light with high markets. Soil borne disease has impacted quality. As long as Dry conditions persist the crop should improve later next week.



Onions, Organic: NW bulk organic onions available. Bags are shipping out of the NW. Markets are strong.



Mushrooms, Organic: Organic mushrooms are steady.



Peppers, Organic: Supply of Hot House colored bells is very tight. Crossings are sporadic in Nogales and Canada is just starting. Green peppers are steady.

Peppers, Organic Mini Sweet: Market is tighter on light supply. Shippers are only getting crossings 2-3 days a week.



Potatoes, Organic: New crop russet and colored potatoes will be available out of CA starting next week. Markets are stronger across the board.



Zucchini and yellow squash are both steady.



Tomatoes, Organic: Steady markets on most tomato packs. Organic Cherry and Grape tomatoes are seeing better production out of California. Organic Roma Tomato market is much stronger.

Produce Terms:

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Market Alert – Simply put, "Market Alert" is what is going on in the market at that given time. Remember, this could change daily based on supply, demand, and weather.

Extreme Market Conditions -- Extreme is just that, extreme. Not within the normal range of what historically has been happening. This could be mostly due to growing conditions and the demand is still there daily. An extreme market will also have extremely high prices as well. Quality can also be adversely affected.

Strong Market -- This means that the price of the product is at the higher end of norm. Growers and shippers have a stronger demand for the product that commands a higher price.

Weak Market – Just the opposite of a strong market a weak market is where the product is plentiful, and the FOB prices are at the lower end of the norm.

FOB – Means "Freight or Free on Board". This has to do with the cost of the product without freight. Buyers need to know the cost and if the price is delivered or at shipping point.

Escalation – This is when pricing is on the rise. Several factors could include supply and demand, poor quality issues, and gaps in growing regions.

Remains Active – Movement within the commodity group is still at its norm and the demand is still good.

Tighten Up – This is where the product is getting scarcer for the demand.

(Normal) Steady and in Fairly Good Supply – The commodity is just where it should be with nothing out of the ordinary.

Act of God – We have contract for pricing for various items. Sometimes through no fault of anyone prices skyrocket well above the range of norm usually because of severe weather conditions, drought, hurricanes, storms, freeze or anything else that may Did you know you could place your orders online? Check us out in the app store severely affect product loss and unavailability.

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