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DAILY SHIPMENTS AND CROSSINGS												
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40,000 lb units	MODE	Thu Mar 28	Fri Mar 29	Sat Mar 30	Sun Mar 31	Mon Apr 1	Tue Apr 2	Wed Apr 3	TOTAL TO DATE SEASON This Season	LAST SEASON	FINAL SEASON Last Season	
WATERMELONS												
Costa Rica												
Imports through Philadelphia-Camden	B	-	-	W/E 11	-	-	-	-	90	108	178	
Imports through Port Hueneme (California)	B	-	-	W/E 7	-	-	-	-	27	100	151	
Guatemala												
Imports through Galveston (Texas)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	146	251	271	
Imports through Philadelphia-Camden	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	270	912	912	
Imports through Port Hueneme (California)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	266	268	
Imports through South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	W/E 2	-	-	-	-	1,371	2,277	2,488	
Honduras												
Imports through South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	W/E 243	-	-	-	-	1,444	896	1,423	
Mexico												
Imports through Panama City (Florida)	B	-	-	W/E 76	-	-	-	-	229	330	355	
Imports through South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	W/E 3	-	-	-	-	74	78	135	
Mexico Crossings through Ota Mesa	T	6	4	2	10	-	5	-	197	188	379	
Mexico Crossings through Pharr, TX	T	-	1	6	2	1	2	-	260	229	444	
Mexico Crossings through Progreso, TX	T	66	35	31	-	102	74	-	5,233	5,331	6,833	
Mexico Crossings through Rio Grande City, TX	T	4	12	4	10	11	18	-	689	809	1,198	
TOTAL		76	52	43	22	114	99	-	10,080	11,775	15,035	
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WATERMELONS, SEEDED												
Florida-Florida Districts	T	-	2	-	-	2	3	1	8	14	2,107	
Mexico												
Mexico Crossings through Nogales, AZ	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	163	28	234	
TOTAL		-	2	-	-	2	3	1	171	42	2,341	
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WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS												
Florida-Florida Districts	T	-	12	12	10	8	12	23	77	113	17,740	
Mexico												
Mexico Crossings through Nogales, AZ	T	54	56	32	19	30	48	69	6,932	9,488	24,688	
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS - ORGANIC												
Mexico												
Mexico Crossings through Nogales, AZ	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	88	22	162	
TOTAL		54	68	44	29	38	60	92	7,097	9,623	42,590	
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WATERMELONS, MINIATURE SEEDLESS												
Mexico												
Mexico Crossings through Nogales, AZ	T	10	14	17	-	23	13	18	842	870	1,206	
WATERMELONS, MINIATURE SEEDLESS - ORGANIC												
Mexico												
Mexico Crossings through Nogales, AZ	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	
TOTAL		10	14	17	-	23	13	18	882	870	1,206	
GRAND TOTAL		140	136	104	51	177	175	111	19,925	25,570	46,137	

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CANTALOUPE												
Costa Rica												
Imports through Philadelphia-Camden	B	-	-	W/E 24	-	-	-	-	662	656	1,265	
Imports through Port Hueneme (California)	B	-	-	W/E 11	-	-	-	-	197	293	401	
Imports through South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	W/E 7	-	-	-	-	137	309	424	
Guatemala												
Imports through Los Angeles-Long Beach	B	-	-	W/E 169	-	-	-	-	1,071	1,795	2,243	
Imports through Philadelphia-Camden	B	-	-	W/E 1	-	-	-	-	1,661	2,516	2,935	
Imports through Port Hueneme (California)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	513	902	1,101	
Imports through South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	W/E 195	-	-	-	-	2,901	3,667	4,775	
Honduras												
Imports through Freeport (Texas)	B	-	-	W/E 16	-	-	-	-	70	151	200	
Imports through Los Angeles-Long Beach	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	826	682	971	
Imports through South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	W/E 33	-	-	-	-	1,411	1,522	2,625	
Imports through Wilmington (Delaware)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62	122	146	
TOTAL		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,449	12,493	16,940	
HONEYDEWS												
Costa Rica												
Imports through Philadelphia-Camden	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65	211	212	
Guatemala												
Imports through Los Angeles-Long Beach	B	-	-	W/E 56	-	-	-	-	317	421	551	
Imports through Philadelphia-Camden	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	490	559	756	
Imports through South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	W/E 89	-	-	-	-	880	1,266	1,624	
Honduras												
Imports through Los Angeles-Long Beach	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	115	211	260	
Imports through South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	W/E 5	-	-	-	-	607	587	1,047	
Mexico												
Mexico Crossings through Pharr, TX	T	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	43	55	73	
Mexico Crossings through Nogales, AZ	T	6	3	6	-	2	2	2	2,208	2,471	4,060	
TOTAL		6	4	6	-	2	2	2	4,725	5,781	8,583	

Guatemala Imports through Wilmington (Delaware) cantaloupes deleted from season total on 4/01/19.

Guatemala Imports through Port Hueneme (California) honeydews deleted from season total on 4/01/19.

SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION

Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for **Thursday, April 04, 2019**. 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. Brokerage fees paid by the shipper are included in the price reported.

**CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS -
PORTS OF ENTRY
SOUTH FLORIDA**

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

CANTALOUPS: SUPPLY MODERATE. DEMAND FAIRLY GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, COSTA RICA 1/2 cartons 9s 12.95-13.95 12s 11.95-13.95 mostly 13.95 15s 11.95-13.95 mostly 12.95-13.95 oversized 1/2 cartons 6s (5 size) 9.00-10.00 mostly 10.00 9s (6 size) 12.95-13.95 occas lower
HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY MODERATE. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET SLIGHTLY **HIGHER**. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, COSTA RICA 2/3 cartons 5s 8.95-9.95 fr qual 6.00 6s 8.95-10.95 mostly 9.95-10.95 occas higher fr qual 6.00 8s 8.95-11.95 mostly 9.95-10.95 oversized 2/3 cartons 4s (3 size) 7.95-8.95 5s (4 size) 8.95-9.95

**CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS -
PORTS OF ENTRY SOUTHERN
CALIFORNIA**

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

CANTALOUPS: SUPPLY MODERATE. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, COSTA RICA 1/2 cartons 9s 13.50-14.95 occas lower 12s 13.95-14.95 15s supply in too few hands to quote oversized 1/2 cartons 6s (5 size) 10.95-11.95 9s (6 size) 13.95-14.95 occas higher
HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY FAIRLY LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, COSTA RICA. 2/3 cartons 4s 8.00-9.00 5s 8.00-10.00 mostly 9.00-10.00 occas higher 6s 10.00-11.00 occas higher 8s supply in too few hands to quote oversized 2/3 cartons 5s (4 size) 9.00-10.00

**MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH
NOGALES, ARIZONA**

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

HONEYDEWS: DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET SLIGHTLY **HIGHER**. Extra services included. Wide range in quality and appearance. 2/3 cartons 5s 7.35-10.35 mostly 9.35 occasional higher 6s 7.35-10.35 mostly 9.35 occasional higher 8s 8.35-11.35 mostly 9.35 occasional lower

WATERMELONS: DEMAND VERY GOOD. MARKET MINIATURE ABOUT

STEADY, OTHERS SLIGHTLY **HIGHER**. Wide range in quality and condition. cartons Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 12.95-14.95 mostly 12.95 occasional higher 8s 12.95-15.95 mostly 13.95-14.95 occasional higher 9s 12.95-15.95 mostly 13.95-14.95 occasional higher 11s 10.95-12.95 mostly 11.95 occasional higher per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s .36-.40 mostly .36-.38 occasional higher and lower 5s .36-.40 mostly .36-.38 occasional higher and lower 6s .34-.38 mostly .34-.36 occasional higher and lower 24 inch bins per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count .34-.38 mostly .34-.36 occasional higher and lower approx 45 count .34-.38 mostly .34-.36 occasional higher and lower approx 60 count .32-.36 mostly .32-.34 occasional higher and lower

**MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH
NOGALES, ARIZONA
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH
TEXAS**

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT. DEMAND GOOD. MARKET STEADY. Wide range in quality. cartons per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s .32-.34 5s .32-.34 6s .32-.34

**WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET
PRICES AS OF
Thursday, April 04, 2019**

This is only a sample of wholesale terminal market reports. For a complete and current listing <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/mncs/fvdaily.htm>

ATLANTA

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 16.00-17.00 mostly 17.00 occas 18.75 12s 16.50-17.25 mostly 17.00 HD 9s 17.00 few 19.50-20.50 12s 15.00-17.25 mostly 17.00-17.25 occas higher 24 inch bins FL supplies insufficient to quote
HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 17.00-19.00 mostly 18.00-18.50 few 15.00 6s 15.00-17.00 mostly 16.00 few 13.50 8s 13.00-14.00
WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 28.00-33.00 mostly 29.00-31.00 Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 15.50-16.50 8s 11.00 24 inch bins FL Red Flesh Seedless Type 60s 250.00-278.00 mostly 250.00

BOSTON

CANTALOUPS: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 15.00-16.00 mostly 15.00 12s 15.00-16.00 mostly 15.00 15s 15.00-16.00 mostly 15.00 HD 9s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00 12s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00 15s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00 oversized 1/2 cartons HD 9s (6 size) 15.00-16.00 mostly 15.00
HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 10.00-15.00 mostly 13.00 occas low as 9.00 6s 10.00-14.00 mostly

12.00-13.00 occas low as 8.00 8s 12.00 MX 6s 9.00-11.00 mostly 9.00 oversized 2/3 cartons GU 5s (4 size) 12.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET GUATEMALA CARTON 5S RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE ROUND VARIETY **HIGHER**; OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. cartons GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 5s 35.00 Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 15.00-16.00 mostly 15.00 HD Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 5s 30.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 4s 34.00-36.00 mostly 35.00 5s 35.00 24 inch bins per melon MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 10-14 lb avg 5.00-6.00 mostly 5.00 15-19 lb avg 6.50-8.00 mostly 7.00 20-24 lb avg 10.00-12.00 mostly 10.00

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. wide range in price. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 14.00-15.00 12s 14.00-17.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 occas higher 15s 16.00-17.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU 6s (5 size) 13.00-14.00 9s (6 size) 16.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s holdovers 11.00 6s 13.00-14.00 holdovers 11.00 8s 13.00 HD 5s 12.00 6s 11.00-12.00 one label 14.00 8s 10.00-11.00 one label yellow 8s 12.00 occas higher oversized 2/3 cartons GU 5s (4 size) 13.00-14.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons per carton GU Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 25.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 34.00 5s 32.00-34.00 mostly 32.00 few 36.50 6s 32.00 Local Repack Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 32.50 5s 24.50 flat cartons per carton HD Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 8s 16.00 24 inch bins HD Red Flesh Seedless Type 60s 250.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 300.00

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. MARKET GUATEMALA AND HONDURAS SLIGHTLY **HIGHER**, COSTA RICA STEADY. Wide range in appearance. 1/2 cartons CR BOAT 9s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 occas higher 12s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 occas higher 15s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 occas higher GU BOAT 9s 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 occas higher 12s 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 occas higher 15s offerings insufficient to quote HD BOAT 9s 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 occas higher 12s 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 occas higher 15s offerings insufficient to quote oversized 1/2 cartons CR BOAT 9s (6 size) 15.00-18.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 GU BOAT 9s (6 size) 17.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 HD BOAT 9s (6 size) 17.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00
HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. MARKET MEXICO SLIGHTLY **LOWER**, GUATEMALA STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU BOAT 5s 10.00-13.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 occas lower 6s 10.00-13.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 occas lower MX 5s 8.00-10.00 mostly

9.00 6s 8.00-10.00 mostly 9.00 8s 8.00-10.00 mostly 9.00 (one label) occas higher/lower oversized 2/3 cartons GU BOAT 5s (4 size) 10.00-13.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 MX 5s (4 size) 8.00-9.00 mostly 8.00

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS RED FLESH SEEDLESS MINIATURE TYPE AND BINS VERY LIGHT. MARKET MEXICO CARTONS 4S & 5S RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE SLIGHTLY LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in quality and appearance. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 37.00-40.00 mostly 38.00-39.00 occas lower 5s 37.00-40.00 mostly 38.00-39.00 occas lower 6s 36.00 (one label) flat cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 24.00 occas higher/lower (one label) 8s 24.00 occas higher/lower (one label) 24 inch bins MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 80s 285.00 occas higher/lower

MIAMI

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 15.00-18.00 mostly 15.00-17.00 occas higher and lower 12s 15.00-18.00 mostly 15.00-17.00 occas higher and lower HD 9s 15.00-18.00 mostly 15.00-17.00 occas higher and lower 12s 15.00-18.00 mostly 15.00-17.00 occas higher and lower oversized 1/2 cartons GU 9s (6 size) 17.00-20.00 mostly 17.00-19.00 occas higher and lower

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 13.00-16.00 mostly 13.00-15.00 occas higher and lower 6s 13.00-16.00 mostly 13.00-15.00 occas higher and lower HD 5s 13.00-16.00 mostly 13.00-15.00 occas higher and lower 6s 13.00-16.00 mostly 13.00-15.00 occas higher and lower oversized 2/3 cartons HD 5s (4 size) 13.00-16.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 occas higher and lower

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 24 inch bins per melon HD Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 60 count 5.00-6.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 45 count 6.00-7.00 approx 60 count 5.00-6.00

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CR 12s 15.00 GU 9s 10.00-13.00 fineappear 18.00-20.00 12s 12.00-14.00 fineappear 18.00 15s holdovers 9.00-10.00 HD 12s 10.00-11.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CR 9s (6 size) fineappear 16.00-18.00 GU 6s (5 size) holdovers 9.00-12.00 9s (6 size) 12.00-13.00 occas lower fineappear 15.00-16.00 flat cartons GU 9s (6 size) 13.00-14.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 7.00-10.00 6s 10.00-11.00 holdovers 7.00-8.00 HD 5s 7.00-10.00 6s 10.00 MX 5s 8.00-10.00 fr appear holdovers 4.00-6.00 6s 8.00-10.00 holdovers 4.00-6.00 8s holdovers 4.00-7.00 oversized 2/3 cartons CR 5s (4 size) 9.00 GU 5s (4 size) 10.00-12.00 holdovers 6.00-8.00 MX 5s (4 size) 12.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. flat cartons per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless

Miniature 6s offering insufficient to quote 24 inch bins per lb FL Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s .44-.46 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 28s .41-.46 occas higher and lower 36s .46-.47 cartons 4s per carton CR Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg fineappear offering insufficient to quote MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb avg 34.00-35.00 70-74 lb avg fineappear 37.00-40.00 occas higher cartons 5s per carton CR Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb avg offerings insufficient to quote GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb avg offerings insufficient to quote MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb avg fineappear 42.00

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPS: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 15.00 12s 15.00 15s 12.00 HD 9s 15.00-17.00 12s 17.00 15s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 ord cond 8.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU 9s (6 size) 15.00-16.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 9.00-12.00 mostly 10.00-12.00 SOME 8.00 6s 12.00 HD 5s fr cond 6.00 6s 8.00-9.00 mostly 9.00 fr cond 6.00 8s fr cond 6.00 MX 4s 7.00-8.00 5s 7.00-8.00 6s 7.00-8.00 8s 7.00-8.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons per carton GU Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 30.00 5s 30.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 33.00-36.00 5s 34.00 fineappear 40.00 24 inch bins FL Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 400.00 45s 385.00-400.00 mostly 400.00 GU Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 300.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 300.00 fineappear 340.00 45s fineappear 340.00