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SHIPMENTS - IN 40,000 LB UNITS, OR 1000 40-LB PACKAGES - FROM 24-MAR-2023 TO 30-MAR-2023

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COMMODITY/ORIGIN/DISTRICT	*MODE	MAR 24	MAR 25	MAR 26	MAR 27	MAR 28	MAR 29	MAR 30	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	LAST YEAR
WATERMELONS											
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC											
IMPORTS THROUGH SAN JUAN (PUERTO RICO)	B	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	82	20	27
MEXICO											
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	35	63	86
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	33	124	217
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX	T	2	-	-	4	-	6	4	432	19	44
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH SANTA TERESA, NMT	T	7	-	-	5	5	10	10	185	156	288
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-
PANAMA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	6	6
GRAND TOTALS		18	-	-	9	7	17	14	862	533	870

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WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS											
FLORIDA											
FLORIDA DISTRICTS	T	11	15	14	18	18	19	25	135	33	20965
COSTA RICA											
IMPORTS THROUGH GALVESTON (TEXAS)	B	6	-	-	-	-	5	-	24	15	52
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	21	23	55
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	33	-	79	31	113
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	-	-	6	-	3	25	5	28
GUATEMALA											
IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT (TEXAS)	B	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	27	-	-
IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	53	55	78
IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	-	-	-	-	8	13	-	249	245	298
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	2	-	7	714	559	650
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	26	-	-	1	-	-	55	1262	1873	2167
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	33	-	-	-	42	12	2	1104	878	1205
IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	100	4	4
HONDURAS											
IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	174	91	154
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	603	732	1076
MEXICO											
IMPORTS THROUGH PANAMA CITY (FLORIDA)	B	5	-	-	-	4	3	6	220	169	326
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH OTAY MESA	T	5	-	-	2	5	5	7	439	306	765
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX	T	3	-	-	1	16	35	7	931	855	1284
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PROGRESO, TX	T	29	-	-	21	182	120	16	6714	5498	7895
MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH RIO GRANDE CITY	T	-	-	-	13	22	35	-	548	338	904
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	32	-	-	50	56	81	52	8069	8043	22969
PANAMA											
IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	31	20	41
IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	-	9	13	-	-	30	47	145

WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS, MINATURE

MEXICO											
MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	8	7	-	11	4	-	6	658	851	1202
GRAND TOTALS		158	22	14	134	388	373	202	22595	20873	61358

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CANTALOUPS**FLORIDA**

FLORIDA DISTRICTS	T	7	5	5	7	5	6	6	46	6	844
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COSTA RICA

IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	244	315	505
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IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	75	104	159
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IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	56	-	-
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GUATEMALA

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT (TEXAS)	B	-	-	-	-	31	-	-	92	-	-
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IMPORTS THROUGH GALVESTON (TEXAS)	B	12	-	-	-	-	42	-	533	688	983
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IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	1	-	-	-	8	-	-	248	217	307
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IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	5	-	-	5	32	57	45	1842	1528	2310
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IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	2	11	102	30	2252	2271	3048
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IMPORTS THROUGH PT CANAVERAL (FLORIDA)	B	6	-	-	5	4	2	15	2151	2918	3744
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IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	23	-	-	7	21	5	1	1474	1177	1835
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IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	4	-	-	-	-	-	11	246	71	72
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HONDURAS

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT (TEXAS)	B	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	49	21	55
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IMPORTS THROUGH JACKSONVILLE (FLORIDA)	B	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	10	23	49
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IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	-	-	-	2	-	-	3	186	57	104
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IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	-	-	-	-	-	5	7	102	189	247
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GRAND TOTALS

		58	5	5	28	116	243	124	11763	12644	19304
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HONEYDEWS**GUATEMALA**

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT (TEXAS)	B	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	14	-	-
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IMPORTS THROUGH GALVESTON (TEXAS)	B	3	-	-	-	-	13	-	185	243	336
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IMPORTS THROUGH HOUSTON	B	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	77	59	82
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IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	-	-	-	-	-	20	25	538	487	699
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IMPORTS THROUGH PHILADELPHIA-CAMDEN	B	-	-	-	-	3	25	12	811	877	1138
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IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	17	-	-	2	11	5	-	483	448	690
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IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	54	4	4
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HONDURAS

IMPORTS THROUGH FREEPORT (TEXAS)	B	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	28	8	14
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IMPORTS THROUGH JACKSONVILLE (FLORIDA)	B	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	14	10	17
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IMPORTS THROUGH LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH	B	-	-	-	6	2	2	2	83	42	71
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IMPORTS THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA/TAMPA	B	-	-	-	-	8	-	4	159	247	301
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IMPORTS THROUGH WILMINGTON (DELAWARE)	B	1	-	-	-	-	3	3	75	121	167
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MEXICO

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH PHARR, TX	T	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	51	33	51
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MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU NOGALES	T	9	-	-	15	6	11	6	2126	1660	3290
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GRAND TOTALS

		33	-	-	23	43	79	58	6225	6131	9842
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* [T]-TRUCK, [A]-AIR, [B]-BOAT, [P]-PIGGYBACK, [R]-RAIL

** District breakdown not available for rail/piggyback

SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION

Sales F.O.B. Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for March 31, 2023. 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.

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES, ARIZONA

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

HONEYDEWS: DEMAND LIGHT.

MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. Extra services included. 2/3 cartons 5s 12.95-14.95 mostly 12.95 6s 12.95-14.95 mostly 12.95-13.95 8s 12.95-13.95

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY BINS LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET BINS ABOUT STEADY, OTHERS SLIGHTLY HIGHER. Extra services included. Quality variable. cartons Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 26.95-28.95 occasional lower 5s 26.95-28.95 occasional lower 6s 24.95-26.95 mostly 26.95 few 28.95 occasional lower Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 14.95-16.95 occasional lower 8s 14.95-16.95 occasional lower 9s 12.95-15.95 few 16.95 11s 11.95-14.95 mostly 12.95-14.95 occasional higher and lower 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count 250.00-260.00 occasional higher and lower approx 45 count 250.00-260.00 occasional higher and lower approx 60 count 240.00-250.00 occasional higher and lower

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH TEXAS

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

WATERMELONS: DEMAND

MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in quality and condition. 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 35 count 210.00-235.00 mostly 215.00-225.00 occasional higher approx 45 count 238.00-255.00 mostly 240.00-252.00 occasional higher approx 60 count 215.00-235.00 mostly 215.00-225.00 occasional higher

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 SLIGHTLY HIGHER. GUATEMALA, some HONDURAS, few COSTA RICA. By Boat. Wide range in quality, condition and price. Most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 1/2 cartons 9s 14.00-16.95 mostly 14.95-16.95 fr cond occas lower 12s 14.00-15.95 mostly 14.95-15.95 occas higher fr cond occas lower 15s supplies insufficient to establish a market oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 14.95-17.95 mostly 14.95-16.95 occas higher fr cond occas lower

CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS -PORTS OF ENTRY SOUTH FLORIDA

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

CANTALOUPS: SUPPLY FAIRLY

HEAVY. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, some HONDURAS, occasional COST RICA. By Boat. Wide range in quality, condition and price. Most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 1/2 cartons 9s 12.85-15.95 mostly 14.95-15.95 fr cond occas lower 12s 13.95-15.95 mostly 13.95-14.95 few including fr cond 10.00-10.95 15s supplies insufficient to establish a market oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 13.85-16.95 mostly 15.95-16.95 fr cond occas lower

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY FAIRLY

HEAVY. DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, some HONDURAS. By Boat. Quality and condition variable. Most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. 2/3 cartons 5s 12.85-16.95 mostly 15.00-16.00 fr cond occas lower 6s 12.85-16.95 mostly 15.00-16.00 fr cond occas lower 8s supplies insufficient to establish a market oversized 2/3 cartons 5s (4 size) 12.85-16.95 mostly 15.00-16.00 fr cond occas lower

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY VERY

LIGHT. DEMAND MODERATE. GUATEMALA, many HONDURAS and PANAMA, few COSTA RICA. By Boat. Quality and condition variable. Most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. cartons Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 4s supplies insufficient to establish a market 5s supplies insufficient to establish a market Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s supplies in too few hands to establish a market 8s supplies in too few hands to establish a market 24 inch bins Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s supplies in too few hands to establish a market 45s supplies in too few hands to establish a market 60s supplies in too few hands to establish a market

WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF March 31, 2023.

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: MARKET ABOUT**

STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 20.00 few 18.50-19.00 12s 18.00-20.50 mostly 18.50-19.00 few 16.50-17.50, occas higher 24 inch bins FL 110s 323.50 135s 370.00 occas lower 165s 370.00 occas lower

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS VERY

LIGHT. 2/3 cartons HD 5s 23.00-24.00 few 25.00 6s 23.00-25.00 mostly 24.50 occas 21.00-21.50, occas 19.00 8s 22.50 few 18.50-19.50

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS VERY

LIGHT. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 42.00 5s 39.00-42.00 mostly 39.00-39.50 few 44.75 24 inch bins FL Red Flesh Seeded Type 35s 280.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 275.00 45s 330.00-378.50 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 378.50 60s 375.50

BOSTON

CANTALOUPS: MARKET STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 20.00-22.00 mostly 20.00 9s (6 size) 20.00-22.00 12s 18.00-20.00 mostly 20.00 HD 9s 20.00-22.00 12s 18.00-20.00 mostly 20.00 MX 9s 18.00-20.00 12s 18.00-20.00 15s 12.00-14.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 20.00-22.00 mostly 22.00 6s 20.00-22.00 mostly 22.00 HD 5s 22.00 5s (4 size) 20.00-22.00 6s 22.00 6s (5 size) 20.00-22.00 MX 5s 22.00 6s 22.00-24.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flat cartons GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 5s 50.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 4s 52.00 5s 42.00-48.00 mostly 45.00 Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 22.00 24 inch bins per melon FL Red Flesh Seeded Type 28s 15.00 Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 45s 9.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 13.00 45s 10.00 60s 7.00

CHICAGO**CANTALOUPS:** MARKET ASTEADY.

Quality and condition variable. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 18.00-20.00 12s 19.00 fr cond 15.00 fineappear 23.00 HD 12s fr cond 15.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU 9s (6 size) 23.00 fr cond 18.00 fineappear 26.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY.

Quality and condition variable. 2/3 cartons GU 4s 22.00 5s 22.00 HD 5s 18.00 6s 18.00 8s 14.00 MX 5s 18.50 6s 19.50

WATERMELONS: MARKET 4S LOWER; OTHERS STEADY. Wide range in price, quality and condition. cartons GU Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 27.00 9s 27.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 41.00 5s 40.00-42.00 6s 40.00 24 inch bins MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s 358.00 45s 350.00-365.00 mostly 355.00-360.00 fineappear 395.00

ORGANIC CANTALOUPS: 1/2 cartons

MX 9s Offerings insufficient to quote.

HONEYDEWS: 2/3 cartons MX 6s Offerings insufficient to quote.

MIAMI**CANTALOUPS:** OFFERINGS

MODERATE. MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 19.00-22.00 occas higher and lower 12s 19.00-22.00 HD 9s 19.00-22.00 occas higher and lower 12s 19.00-22.00 occas higher and lower

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS FAIRLY LIGHT. MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 19.00-22.00 occas higher and lower 6s 19.00-22.00 occas higher and lower HD 5s 19.00-22.00 occas higher and lower 6s 19.00-22.00 occas higher and lower

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS

MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. cartons GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 5s 26.00-27.00 occas higher and lower 24 inch bins per melon FL Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 45 count 6.00-7.00 occas higher and lower approx 60 count 5.00-6.00 occas higher and lower HD Red Flesh Seedless Type approx 36 count 6.50-7.00 occas higher and lower approx 45 count 6.00-7.00 occas higher and lower

LOS ANGELES**CANTALOUPS:** OFFERINGS

HONDURAS AND COSTA RICA VERY LIGHT. MARKET STEADY. wide range in quality and condition. 1/2 cartons GU BOAT 9s 20.00-22.00 mostly 20.00-21.00 occas higher fr qual 14.00-15.00 poorer quality and condition lower 12s 18.00-21.00 mostly 19.00-20.00 occas higher fr qual 12.00-13.00 poorer quality and condition lower 15s 12.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-13.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU BOAT 9s (6 size) 20.00-22.00 occas higher/lower HD BOAT 9s (6 size) 20.00-22.00 occas higher/lower

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS HONDURAS

GOLDEN TYPE VERY LIGHT. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. wide range in quality and condition. 2/3 cartons GU BOAT 5s 20.00-22.00 mostly 20.00-21.00 occas higher 6s 18.00-21.00 mostly 19.00-20.00 occas higher 8s 17.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 occas higher HD BOAT 5s 20.00-22.00 mostly 20.00-21.00 golden 6s 10.00-13.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 few 14.00 MX 5s 20.00-22.00 mostly 20.00-21.00 occas lower (one label higher) 6s 19.00-22.00 mostly 20.00-21.00 occas higher (one label higher) 8s 17.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 occas lower (one label higher) oversized 2/3 cartons GU 5s (4 size) 20.00-21.00 (one label higher) MX 5s (4 size) 20.00-21.00 (one label higher)

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS BINS

VERY LIGHT. MARKET BINS RED FLESH SEEDLESS TYPE 60S SLIGHTLY LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. wide range in quality and condition. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 34.00-36.00 mostly 35.00-36.00 occas higher/lower 5s 36.00-39.00 mostly 37.00-38.00 few 40.00 6s 34.00-36.00 mostly 35.00-36.00 Baja District Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 34.00-36.00 mostly 35.00-36.00 6s 34.00-36.00 mostly 35.00-36.00 flat cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s 19.00-22.00 mostly 20.00-21.00 occas higher/lower 8s 17.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 few 22.00 9s 17.00-20.00 mostly 18.00-19.00 few 22.00 24 inch bins MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 325.00-330.00 occas higher 60s 315.00-320.00 occas lower Baja District Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s 325.00-330.00 occas higher/lower 60s 315.00-320.00 occas higher

ORGANIC HONEYDEWS: 2/3 cartons MX 8s offerings insufficient to quote

WATERMELONS: flat cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 11s 34.00-35.00

NEW YORK**CANTALOUPS:** MARKET ABOUT

STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 18.00-20.00 fineappear 22.00-23.00 occas higher 12s 18.00-20.00 15s Offerings insufficient to quote oversized 1/2 cartons CR 9s (6 size) Offerings insufficient to quote GU 9s (6 size) fineappear 20.00-22.00 mostly 22.00 few 24.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s fineappear 22.00-24.00 6s fineappear 18.00-22.00 occas higher MX 5s 22.00 6s 20.00 oversized 2/3 cartons GU 5s (4 size) fineappear 22.00-25.00 occas higher HD 5s (4 size) 20.00-22.00

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. flat cartons per carton MX Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s Offerings insufficient to quote cartons 4s per carton BR Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 35-39 lb Offerings insufficient to quote GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb 34.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb 40.00-43.00 occas higher 70-74 lb fineappear 46.00-48.00 occas higher PN Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb fr appear 30.00 cartons 5s per carton FL Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 65-69 lb 36.00-38.00 cartons 6s per carton GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb Offerings insufficient to quote

PHILADELPHIA

CANTALOUPS: MARKET GUATEMALA JUMBO 9S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons GU 9s 22.00 12s 20.00 HD 9s 18.00 12s 18.00-20.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU 9s (6 size) 18.00-22.00 mostly 20.00 HD 9s (6 size) 19.00-20.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET GUATEMALA 5S, HONDURAS 5S & 6S LOWER, MEXICO 6S HIGHER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 18.00 6s 19.00 HD 5s 19.00 6s 19.00 MX 5s 20.00 6s 20.00 oversized 2/3 cartons GU 5s (4 size) 20.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET MEXICO 4S & 5S LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. cartons MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 4s 38.00-44.00 mostly 42.00-44.00 5s 38.00-42.00 mostly 40.00-42.00 8s 32.00 Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 11s 22.00 24 inch bins FL Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 36s 400.00 45s 400.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 45s 390.00-400.00