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Top 5 Five



asparagus

Mexican volume is limited as growing regions transition. Peruvian and local volume have increased. Markets are slightly higher, and quality is good from all regions.



avocados **ALERT!**

Mexican harvest totals are expected to fall this week, as growers are holding back due to lighter demand and softer markets. This should stabilize the market for at least 1-2 weeks, so U.S. markets will remain relatively flat. There is more availability of small sizes (60/70/84cts) than large sizes; this trend is expected to continue through May and June. Quality remains fair.



beans—green

Eastern supplies are light as fields transition north. Demand and quality are good, and the market is stronger. Western supplies should be sufficient for demand. The market has slightly increased.



berries— blackberry, blueberry, raspberry

Blackberry supplies are steady, quality is good, and markets are lower. **Blueberry** supplies and markets are steady, and the quality is good. **Raspberry** supplies are limited; quality is good, and markets are steady.



berries—strawberry

Berry volume is increasing in Central CA and declining in the south. Supplies are good and markets are lower.



broccoli & cauliflower **ALERT!**

The **broccoli** market is steady, and volume is meeting demand. **Cauliflower** market is higher as cooler weather continues to limit growth. Supplies are expected to be tight for the next two weeks. Demand exceeds supply.



celery

Some shippers are light on volume, while others are in good supply, resulting in an active market.



citrus—lemons, limes & oranges **ALERT!**

Central Valley is producing large size **lemons** and supplies are very plentiful on 115ct & larger. Supplies on 140ct & smaller are very tight. The lemon market will continue to be tight throughout the summer. The **lime** industry will continue to see increased availability on small sizes; large sizes will become more limited in supply. Due to an extended dry period, scarcity of large fruit (110/150cts) will likely continue throughout the month of May. The **orange** industry is experiencing a shortage of small sizes. Navel crops are peaking at 36/40/56cts.



cucumbers

Eastern quality is good, and supplies are unstable. Western supplies are good with moderate demand and the market is steady.

1. AVOCADOS **ALERT!**

Expect more availability on smaller sizes vs. larger.

2. ITALIAN PARSLEY **ALERT!**

Demand exceeds supply.

3. PEARS **ALERT!**

Small sizes are extremely limited.

4. PEPPERS—CHILES **ALERT!**

Supplies are very limited.

5. PINEAPPLE **ALERT!**

Demand exceeds supply. Next week should see slightly increased volumes which are expected to continue to increase weekly.

Outlook

WEST COAST

Expect much cooler temperatures this week with normal to slightly below average rainfall.

EAST COAST

The entire East Coast will see extremely high temperatures.

The Northeast can expect ample rain while Florida remains extremely dry.

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eggplant

Eastern supplies are very strong, the quality is good, and the market is low. Western supplies are steady with good quality, and a firm market.



grapes—**ALERT!** green & red

Mexican harvest on green grapes has slowly started which is helping the market to find balance. May's focus will be volume and quality product.



lettuce—iceberg, leaf, & romaine **ALERT!**

The **iceberg** market is active and remains firm. Cooler weather continues to slow growth. Growers are meeting demand; lighter weights have been seen in some lots. **Leaf lettuce** markets have pushed back as supplies are tight and demand is increasing. Boston lettuce supplies are improving, and the market is mostly steady. The **romaine** volume remains very light for both romaine and hearts.



melons— cantaloupe & honeydew

Cantaloupe volume is sufficient to meet demand and quality remains excellent. The Mexican **honeydew** volume has a weak market and, quality is good from all regions.



onions—yellow, white, & red **ALERT!**

Yellow onion supplies are decreasing in TX and the CA volume is increasing. **Red onions** are limited in supply from all areas with no relief expected soon. **White onions** are in good supply.



peppers—green, red & yellow

Eastern **green pepper** supply has improved, quality and demand are good, and the market is lower due to availability in FL. **Red and yellow pepper** quality and demand are good. Western **green pepper** supplies are good. Expect lighter supplies and higher markets on **yellow peppers**. Quality is good on all.



potatoes—russet

Supplies are very light on 40/50cts from most suppliers; 90/120cts are plentiful. Demand is following supply accordingly and quality is good. Markets are steady on large and lower on smaller sizes.



squash—yellow & zucchini

Eastern **zucchini and yellow squash** have plentiful supplies, good quality and demand and lower markets. Western supplies and quality are good, and markets are low. CA is slated to start next week.



tomatoes **ALERT!**

Rounds remain on alert status, but larger round fruit availability is improving out of Ruskin & Palmetto, FL. **Grape & cherry** markets continue to improve with increased availability on normal demand. **Roma** markets remain stable. **Hothouse round and Campari cocktail** tomatoes are extremely tight, and demand exceeds supply.

Reality Check

VEGETABLES	Supply			Price						
	HIGH	INCREASING	STEADY	DECREASING	ALERT	ALERT	INCREASING	STEADY	DECREASING	LOW
Arugula										
Asparagus										
Beans - Green										
Broccoli										
Broccolini										
Brussels Sprouts										
Cabbage										
Carrots										
Cauliflower										
Celery										
Corn										
Cucumbers										
Eggplant										
Garlic										
Lettuce - Iceberg										
Lettuce - Leaf G/R										
Lettuce - Romaine										
Lettuce - Spring Mix										
Mushrooms										
Onions - Green										
Onions - Red										
Onions - Yellow										
Onions - White										
Peas - Snow/Snap										
Peppers - Chiles										
Peppers - Green										
Peppers - R/Y										
Potatoes - Russet										
Potatoes - R/W/Yuk										
Potatoes - Sweet										
Spinach										
Squash - Yellow										
Squash - Zucchini										
Tomatoes - Gr/Ch										
Tomatoes - Roma										
Tomatoes - Round										
FRUIT										
Apples										
Avocados										
Bananas										
Berries - Blackberry										
Berries - Blueberry										
Berries - Raspberry										
Berries - Strawberry										
Citrus - Lemons										
Citrus - Limes										
Citrus - Oranges										
Grapes - Green										
Grapes - Red										
Melons Cantaloupe										
Melons Honeydew										
Melons Watermelon										
Pineapple										

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