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Weather Update

The tail end of a cold front moving through Northern California will bring light rain to Central California and regions to the north. Unfortunately, this system will not impact the fires raging in Southern California. Strong winds are once again impacting the region as this extended wind event is expected to continue into the Christmas Holiday. The southwestern Desert regions will see cooler temperatures and strong gusty winds into the weekend as a series of storm systems pass to the north. Cold mornings will bring widespread light to moderate lettuce ice into the Christmas Holiday. The south high pressure over Central Mexico will bring near warm and dry conditions this week with a slight cool down and breezy conditions next week. A couple of weak systems move into Florida this week with light scattered showers mainly in the northern half of the state.



Market Alerts (continued)

Eggplant (Eastern): Light supplies in the East.

Green Onions: Extremely limited supplies due to the lack of labor for the holiday. This has caused the market to dramatically increase.

Melon (Watermelon): The market is very strong / prices very high.

Onions: Transportation has been the hardest thing to find in the northwest.

Pears: Bartlett supplies are short and we are expecting an early finish to the season so we could see the market jump in January. Small sizes are especially limited.

Potatoes: The tightest thing in potato-land has been transportation. Stay ahead and load rail or piggy-back if possible.

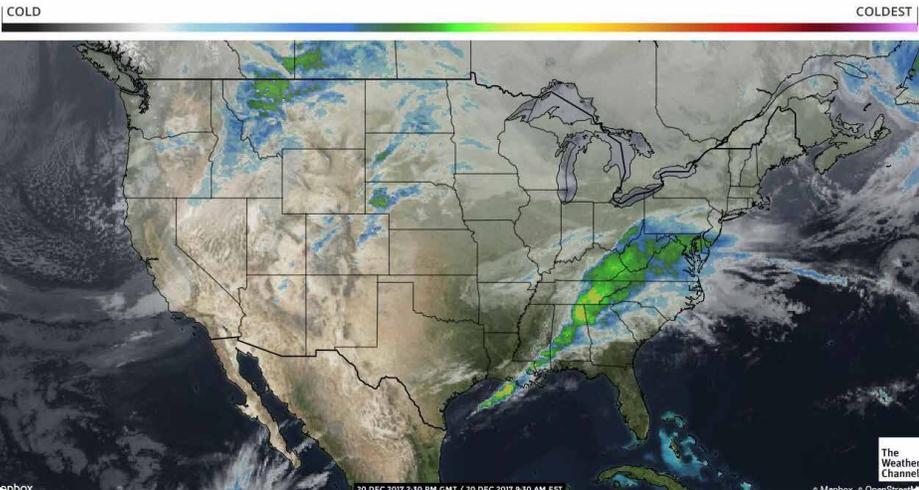
Potatoes (colored): Western Washington has finished with white potatoes.

Squash (Eastern): Tight supplies on squash.

Squash (Western): Market has doubled in the last week.

Tomatoes (Eastern): There is a shortage of tomatoes across North America with expectation for relief to occur after the new year.

Tomatoes (Western): There is a shortage of Tomatoes across North America with expectation for relief to occur after the new year.



Market Alerts

Apples: Washington is still short on large Granny Smith apples.

Bell Peppers (Eastern): Better supplies.

Bell Peppers (Western): Red bell peppers are in very short supply

Berries (Raspberries): Supplies remain limited and market prices are higher.

Broccoli: We are currently experiencing a supply gap which will last for the next two weeks. The market is trending much higher.

Cauliflower: The cauliflower market is still extremely high as we are experiencing a small supply gap, but the market has reached its peak.

Citrus (Lemons): Demand exceeding supplies of 165s and smaller fruit.

Citrus (Oranges): Demand exceeds supplies on 88s/113s/138s.

Cucumbers (Eastern): Supplies are light.



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A Peek at Peak Seasons

Apples: Washington, Idaho, Michigan, New York, and Pennsylvania continue in the peak of their apple seasons.

Onions: Washington and Idaho/Oregon are in the peak of their seasons.

Pears: Washington continues in the peak of its season for all variety's.

Potatoes (colored): Washington, Idaho, Wisconsin, and North Dakota are all in the peak of their red and gold potato seasons. Bakersfield, California is in the peak of its red, gold, and white potato seasons.



Truckin' Along

California trucks look to be tightening for the balance of the week as drivers push to get home for Christmas. Washington apple truck supply is adequate. Idaho onion/potato trucks remain tight. The national average for diesel remained steady and is currently at 2.901 per gallon. An increase of .374 from this time last year. California prices are steady as well and are now at 3.552 per gallon. Crude oil remained steady and is currently at 57.43 per barrel.

U.S. On-Highway Diesel Fuel Prices* (dollars per gallon)

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	Change from				
	12/04/17	12/11/17	12/18/17	week ago	year ago
U.S.	2.922	2.910	2.901	↓ -0.009	↑ 0.374
East Coast (PADD1)	2.904	2.901	2.897	↓ -0.004	↑ 0.338
New England (PADD1A)	2.897	2.900	2.924	↑ 0.024	↑ 0.337
Central Atlantic (PADD1B)	3.062	3.060	3.060	0.000	↑ 0.393
Lower Atlantic (PADD1C)	2.794	2.788	2.778	↓ -0.010	↑ 0.308
Midwest (PADD2)	2.877	2.863	2.853	↓ -0.010	↑ 0.374
Gulf Coast (PADD3)	2.713	2.705	2.697	↓ -0.008	↑ 0.287
Rocky Mountain (PADD4)	3.019	2.991	2.958	↓ -0.033	↑ 0.463
West Coast (PADD5)	3.373	3.344	3.327	↓ -0.017	↑ 0.539
West Coast less California	3.106	3.072	3.044	↓ -0.028	↑ 0.339
California	3.585	3.560	3.552	↓ -0.008	↑ 0.698

Transitions & Temperatures

Asparagus: Caborca Mexico will start to cut fern the first week in January, and we should see production during the second, and third week.

Cucumbers (Eastern): cucumbers are transitioning to Honduras

Cucumbers (Western): Cucumbers available from Sinaloa, Mexico and Sonora, Mexico

Grapes (Green): Chilean green seedless grapes are beginning to arrive in the U.S.

Grapes (Red): Chilean red seedless grapes are starting.

Melon (Cantaloupe): Honduras will start packing in January as Guatemala finishes.

Melon (Honeydew): Honduras will start packing in January as Guatemala finishes.

Melon (Watermelon): Transitioning to the state of Jalisco, Mexico / small pocket of production in southern Sonora, Mexico.

Potatoes (colored): Bakersfield, California has started packing new-crop white potatoes.

Squash (Western): Northern Sinaloa, Southern Sonora, Mexico

Tomatoes (Eastern): Palmetto and Ruskin growing regions in Florida are transitioning further south to Immokalee where the start of the season has been delayed 2-3 weeks as a result of Hurricane Irma that destroyed plantings early in the growing phase of Production. Harvests are forecasted for the week of December 18th, but significant reprieve in the market will not be realized until after Christmas as product comes out of gas rooms and is realized in the pipeline. It is likely that recent cold weather patterns will delay supply even later until after the New Year.

Tomatoes (Western): Baja is winding down with Nogales getting started in a light way. Winter Programs should be underway in Mainland Mexico crossing AZ by mid January.



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APPLES

Washington – Red Delicious continue to peak on medium sized extra fancy fruit with good availability. Golden Delicious are peaking on premium 100/113s, and the availability is good. Granny Smith are peaking on 113/125s, and the market is steady. Large Granny Smith are still short. Galas are still peaking on 100/113s. Fuji's are peaking on 100/113s, and the availability is good especially on smaller fruit. Honeycrisp are still peaking on 80/88/100 with good availability. The other varieties have also been steady. Demand has been light. The quality has been good for all varieties.

Idaho – Jonagolds, Golden Delicious, Red Romes, Red Delicious, Granny Smith, Fuji's, and Pink Ladies are all steady. Granny's and Jonagolds are still peaking on 80/88/100s while the others are peaking on 88/100/113's. The demand has been light. The quality has been good.

Michigan – Galas, McIntosh, Jonathans, Jonamacs, Golden Delicious, Red Delicious, Cortlands, Empires, Fujis, red Romes, Ida Reds, and Jonagolds. All markets remain steady, and they continue to have great quality and good color. Honeycrisp have finished for the season. The quality has been good.

Pennsylvania – Fujis, Red Delicious, Golden Delicious, Granny Smith, Cameos, and Pink Ladies are all steady. Red Delicious and Pink Ladies are peaking on 88/100s, while the rest are peaking on 100/113s. The demand has been light. The quality is good in all varieties.

New York – they are packing Cortlands, Galas, McIntosh, Honeycrisp, Red Delicious, Fujis, Snap Dragons, Golden Delicious, Jonagolds, Red Romes, Macouns, Pink Ladies, Staymen Winesaps, and Empires. Most of their fruit is large, so they haven't been much of a factor in foodservice, but there have been some small McIntosh and red delicious lately. All markets have been steady, and the demand has been light. There have been some small McIntosh and red delicious lately. The quality has been good.



ASPARAGUS

Volumes are continuing to decrease from Central Mexico (Ciudad Obregon) as the season from this region wraps up. There will be a gap until Caborca, Mexico starts to cut fern the first week in January, and production starts the second week. Northern Peru (Trujillo), and Southern Peru (ICA) is continuing to ship, but volume has decreased due to warm temperatures in the region which is creating a lower yield in the field due to spreading, and seeding. Market out west has continued to rise with very little volume from Mexico. The market in the east is starting to react with less airspace available in Peru, and fewer sea arrivals this week.



AVOCADO (MEXICAN)

The weekly limited harvest volumes by many of Mexico's producing municipalities continues. The reduced volume coming into the US is keeping supplies short and markets firm. The industry still expects this limited harvest to continue through the month, with hopes that come January, these municipalities will resume a normal and steady rate of harvest. Markets look to have stabilized for right now.



BELL PEPPERS (EASTERN)

Production of green bell pepper is picking up, the larger growers in the eastern part of the state are starting to harvest larger volume. The pepper fields that were planted after hurricane Irma are ready for harvest and yields and size are much better. The market is reflecting the increased production with prices the lowest they've been in well over a month. We expect good production through the holidays.



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BELL PEPPERS (WESTERN)

Green Bell Pepper volume has picked up from Mexico. We have all sizes available, better weather in the region has given us better sizing for the crop. Cooler weather slowed production slightly after weeks of extreme heat, but the plants are healthy and have resumed normal production. The market is adjusting down, and demand is steady due to lower production on the east coast. Quality is mostly good, choice grade peppers available.

Red and Yellow Bell Pepper supplies remain very light. Coachella has lower volume due to cooler weather and should be done in the next week or so. Still, light supplies on hothouse variety colored bell peppers available from Mexico, in Nogales. Volume is increasing every day as more growers are ready to harvest. Field grown colored peppers will also be ready for harvest in the coming weeks. The market should remain strong until volume peaks for all growers in the region, this is expected in mid to late January.



BERRIES (BLACKBERRIES)

Blackberry supplies have improved slightly this week. Production has been consistent in Central Mexico, and quality is being reported as good. Demand has been strong. Market prices have been fairly steady with some lower prices being offered in Texas and east coast. Since all of this product is being transferred to California and Florida, delayed truck arrivals have been a challenge. However, with improved supplies, we are seeing better daily availability and light inventory. We expect availability to remain consistent but light for the next 2-3 weeks.



BERRIES (BLUEBERRIES)

No major supply or market changes on blueberries this week. Chilean arrivals are gradually improving, but we are still not seeing a big volume increase. Demand and quality have been very strong. Market prices have been steady. Mexican production has been consistent and has been supplying a large portion of the fruit on the west coast. Quality is being reported as strong, and market prices have been steady. Delayed arrivals and transfer trucks are our biggest challenge on order fulfillment. As we start quarter one, we expect supplies and availability to improve.



BERRIES (RASPBERRIES)

Raspberries continue to be light this week. Demand has been strong. We do not expect any gaps in supply, but availability is limited. The majority of the available fruit is being harvested in Mexico and transferred to California or Florida, so delayed arrivals are the biggest obstacles in order fulfillment. Quality has been reported as good. Moving forward, we expect supplies to remain limited and market prices to remain high and firm for the next 2-3 weeks.



BERRIES (STRAWBERRIES)

Not much change this week on strawberries. Supplies have been steady but light in all areas. California continues to have consistent production in both Santa Maria and Oxnard. Oxnard is increasing harvest as shippers move past the wind damaged fruit and into new winter harvest, but volume is still light. Central Mexico is steady with good quality. This fruit is being sold out of Texas and making it's way to other locations via transfer trucks. Florida production was slowed last week due to cold weather, but harvest is improving this week as the weather warms up. Markets have been holding firm as supplies remain light. Quality is improving in Oxnard (pictures below). Mexico has been good, and Florida is solid, but the sizing is still small.



BROCCOLI

The broccoli market is trending much higher. We are entering an acreage gap which has decreased supplies dramatically. This has caused most suppliers to raise prices daily. Although supplies are decreasing the quality of broccoli hasn't suffered. We are seeing dark green color, minimal yellowing, and dehydration. We are having difficulties with iceless broccoli. As supplies are taking much longer to arrive to the coolers, it puts a strain on the cooling process. So some suppliers are forced to ship iced broccoli to ensure timely loading times.



BRUSSELS SPROUTS

The brussels sprout market is steady with good supplies from all suppliers. We have seen a run of all sizes as well from jumbo to small. Quality has been excellent with vibrant green color and consistent size profile.



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CARROTS

Supplies are steady, still not much size coming from fields, so jumbo size are still tight. Organic fresh carrot are still light production. Quality is good.

CAULIFLOWER

The cauliflower market has reached its peak. Demand has fallen off as a result. The market is still holding firm at much higher costs, but there is a feel of it trending lower. Supplies are still limited with all suppliers. Overall quality is still really nice with whiteheads, minimal bruising, and weights in the 24 to 29-pound level.

CELERY

The celery market remains about steady with few if any, quality problems being reported. Demand is adequate to maintain the market with current supplies. We have seen some price fluctuation with some shippers due to sizing issues. This has not affected the overall market which, in our opinion, is holding on the high end due to retail ads. Barring any inclement weather, we expect this market to hold at current levels into the first week of January.

CHERRIES

Chilean cherries, Bing and Rainier varieties, are available on both the east and west coasts. Pricing is holding about steady as supplies are moderate but adequate to meet current demand. Supplies are expected to improve as we move into the new year. Chilean cherries should be readily available for the month of January. Quality is generally good with no arrival issues being reported on the early fruit.

CHILI PEPPERS

Most chili varieties are available to load in Nogales, from Mexico. Good supplies available on most varieties. Quality is mostly good on all hot peppers. Growing conditions have stabilized, production should remain steady.

Jalapeño - the market is steady, supplies have increased, demand remains strong. Good quality.

Poblano - Supplies are low, high demand driving market. There is less acreage compared to last year. Mexico has a strong National market for poblano. Therefore, supplies into the US are down. Quality is good, sizing medium to large.

Anaheim - Anaheim peppers are now available in higher volume from Mexico. The market is weaker. Supply exceeds. Sizing mostly large to x- large peppers (6-8 inches on average).

Serrano - Good supply now available, quality ranges but is mostly good. Market lower but steady.

Tomatillo - good supplies. The market is steady. Quality ranges, some lots better than others.

CILANTRO

The cilantro market has remained steady with most suppliers. Although prices do vary depending on the growing region. Quality remains good with minimal reports of yellowing or brown leaves. Vibrant green color, and minimal dehydration.

CITRUS (LEMONS)

The lemon market is very active. Demand continues at a strong pace and is exceeding supplies. With this year's Desert crop much lighter in volume, shippers production starting to fall off as they look at an early end of their season. The Central Valley crop has just begun to harvest and pack limited volume, mostly fancy grade. Ventura crop will not start until the end of February. Demand is exceeding supplies on 165s and smaller fruit, and will so into January/February.



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CITRUS (LIMES)

Lime supplies are steady. Demand has been consistent, and market prices have increased slightly this week. Quality overall has been good with consistent sizing and color. As we look toward the first quarter, we can expect supplies to start to taper off slowly, and market prices rise, depending on the weather.



CITRUS (ORANGES)

We are seeing peak sizing of 72s/56s/88s the Navel crop and the percentage of 113s/138s continue to fall off in pack outs. Pack-outs remain clean with good color resulting in grade ratio of 80% to 85% of Fancy fruit, leaving very little choice fruit for the demand for of the choice grade. The market remains active on 113s/138 both grades. We are looking at peaking on the larger sizes 72s/56 for the balance of the navel season. Small fruit will be in short supply all season long.



CUCUMBERS (EASTERN)

Honduras cucumbers are dominating supplies now and will be going forward. There are still some supplies of Florida cucumbers they should finish this week. Quality is still good on most Florida cucumbers and very good on the imports. Supplies from Honduras should increase after the holidays when all growers will be in production. The cooler weather last week slowed production in Florida and will bring the season to an end about a week sooner than expected. The market is reacting in the east to the decreased supply with higher pricing.



CUCUMBERS (WESTERN)

Cucumbers are available to load in Nogales, mostly from Sinaloa, Mexico. The volume will remain steady in Nogales as cucumbers are now being harvested in multiple regions. Quality ranges, but is mostly good. Demand is getting better, more fruit going to the east coast. Prices are climbing steadily.



EGGPLANT (EASTERN)

Eastern eggplant supplies are light, but the market is lower due to decreased demand and increased supplies from Mexico. Growers on the eastern and very southern tip of Florida are starting new field with much better quality, but yields are light. Production will pick up next week; in the meantime, some shippers are still packing product from older fields and quality is only fair.



EGGPLANT (WESTERN)

Eggplant supply has really picked up from Mexico. Quality is mostly good; choice grade eggplant is available. The market is weaker as supply exceeds demand. Volume deals available on 18 ct. and 24 ct. packs. No change expected, some growers talking about abandoning older lots in the field to cut costs. If this happens, supplies could be down for a week or two



GRAPES (GREEN)

Domestic and imported green grapes are readily available, and quality is generally reported as good on both. The domestic market is steady and with good quality this late in the season; is helping to moderate pricing on the imports from Peru and Chile. It now appears that we should have good supplies of quality domestic green grapes well into January. This fact is helping to pull the import prices down somewhat lower than shippers first anticipated. They are still, however, selling import greens at a premium to the domestic fruit.



GRAPES (RED)

The domestic red grape season is winding down. Quality on the late season reds has been suspect with many lots of off-color and marginal condition. This has reinforced the split in pricing between the imported red grapes and the domestics. It appears now that despite adequate supplies on the domestic side of things we will continue to see much higher prices on the imported fruit. It appears to us that this market will maintain its' strength well into the month of January.



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GREEN ONIONS

The green onion market is extremely active. We are experiencing the labor shortage that goes on during the holidays in Mexico. Supplies are limited on iced and iceless green onions causing the market to increase dramatically. Quality has not suffered with these limited supplies. We are seeing green tops, clean white tips, and minimal brown to yellow discoloration.



KALE

We continue to have ample supplies of kale from all growing regions. This has kept the market competitive. Quality is excellent with dark green color, full bunches, and little dehydration or yellowing.



LETTUCE ICEBERG

The iceberg lettuce market has settled back from its recent run-up in price. Good weather, adequate supplies and moderate demand have combined to pull this market back to lower levels. Quality is generally good although most lots are showing lighter weights than we would like to see.



LETTUCE LEAF

We are seeing all the red leaf, green leaf and romaine markets settle down. Quality is generally good on all with good supplies and only average demand. We believe these markets will remain steady well into next week.



LETTUCE TENDER LEAF

We are currently experiencing good supplies of conventional spring mix, baby spinach, arugula, and the other components of spring mix. The market remains aggressive. The only trouble we have been having is with organic spinach. Growers are struggling with mildew and supplies are limited. The overall quality has been good with the exception of a few arrivals with some wetness and bruising of the leaves.



MELON (CANTALOUPE)

The offshore market is steady on all sizes in the east, and the west has been steady to slightly lower. The fruit remains large with 9s and Jumbo 9s with some 12s. We expect larger with the finish of Guatemala and the start of Honduras. There are vessels arriving mid-week this week so the availability will improve. The quality has been good.

Domestic fruit supplies are slightly lower than the imported but the quality is good, and the fruit is also large. Domestic supplies are light and will finish soon.



MELON (HONEYDEW)

The market remains steady on imported fruit in the west and in the east with mostly large fruit. Most fruit is peaking on 5s and jumbo 5s with some 6s, and there are a few 8s in Pompano. We expect the sizing to remain steady with the finish of Guatemala and into Honduras. The quality has been good.

There are light supplies of domestic fruit left at substantially cheaper prices, but it is cleaning up quickly. The quality has been good.



MELON (WATERMELON)

Seedless watermelon production from Mexico is way down. We have now transitioned to the growing area in the southern Mexican state of Jalisco. There will also be melons harvested in the Mexican states of Colima and Nayarit, but the volume will come from Jalisco. Supply is currently very low. We should have more fruit available in the next week to 10 days. The market is very strong; demand is high. Quality good on southern fruit.



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ONIONS

Idaho/Oregon – they have been steady on all sizes and colors. The yellows are still peaking on jumbos and mediums while whites and reds are peaking on jumbos. The quality has been good.

Washington – they have been steady on all sizes of yellows and reds. The yellows are still peaking on jumbos and mediums while the reds are peaking on jumbos. The quality has been good for both

PEARS

Washington – Bartlett pears are steady and continue to peak on US#1 80/90/100s. Supplies of small Bartletts and the fancy grade are limited. D’anjous are steady and are still peaking on US#1 80/90s. Small fruit and all sizes of the fancy grade remain limited. Bosc pears are steady and are still peaking on US#1 80/90s. Bosc are also short on small fruit and all sizes in the fancy grade. Red Sensation pears remain steady on all sizes and are still peaking on 45/50 half cartons. The quality for all has been good.

New York – they are still packing a few Bosc bins left, but they will finish soon.

PINEAPPLES

We continue to see good supplies from the tropics. Expect good supplies through December. Supplies will lighten the first two weeks of January, which is planned to allow farm workers the time off during the Christmas holiday. Retail demand is beginning to pick up for the holiday and market is beginning to firm.

POTATOES

Idaho—the market remains steady on all sizes for both norkotahs and burbanks. The norks have a larger size profile while the burbanks are more average sized. Most packers switched from norkotahs to burbanks back in November to get the smaller size profile and more consumer bags. We will see most switch back, but because of the short week and light packing schedules, the larger count availability will remain light. The quality remains good for both.

Washington – their norkotahs are steady on all sizes and are peaking on 80’s and larger. The quality has been good.

Colorado – their norkotah market is steady on all sizes, and they are heavier to 70/80/90s. The quality has been good.

Wisconsin – their norkotahs are also steady but have been peaking on smaller counts. The quality has been good.

POTATOES (COLORED)

Western Washington – reds and golds are steady with good availability. Both colors are peaking on A-size with good quality. Whites have finished for the season.

Eastern Washington – reds and golds are steady, and both are peaking on A size. The quality has been good.

Bakersfield, California – reds, whites, and golds are all steady. The whites are new-crop and are peaking on A-size. The reds and golds are also heavy to A-size. The quality has been good for all three colors.

Idaho – red and gold potatoes are steady on all sizes with good availability. Both reds and golds are peaking on A size and have had good quality.

Wisconsin – reds, and golds are both steady and remain heavy to A size. The quality has been good.

North Dakota – red and gold potatoes are steady with good availability especially in the size A. There have been some volume deals for A-size out there. The quality has been good.



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SQUASH (EASTERN)

Squash markets have remained high since a cold front moved through the southeast all the way to Homestead. Temperatures dipped into the 30's and squash production came to a halt. The forecast for this week is for much warmer weather with sunny skies. We expect the squash production to pick up late this week but not in time for Christmas business.



SQUASH (WESTERN)

Squash from Mexico is still available in Nogales. Volume is down as we have transitioned to fields further south. Cooler weather and cloudy days have slowed production on all squash varieties. Demand is higher on the west coast, due to more fruit traveling to the east. The market is very strong; prices are higher on zucchini, yellow squash, and gray squash. No changes in supply expected in the next week to 10 days. Supplies will increase in early to mid-January



STONE FRUIT

Apricots, peaches and nectarines, the Chilean stone fruit season has begun. Albeit in a small way. We have arrivals on all of these items on both coasts. Supplies are light, but the early fruit is showing good quality upon arrival. Sizing on peaches and nectarines is running heavily to the 60/64 tray packs, and volume fills with larger fruit anticipated with every vessel. We should see peak supplies and sizing by the month of February.



TOMATOES (EASTERN)

There is a significant shortage of tomatoes across North America with very little fruit harvesting from Florida where growing regions are transitioning. Warm weather forecasted for the next several days will hopefully prevent any further delays from new fields breaking ground putting a fresh injection of fruit into the pipeline. For the time being, the overall consensus continues to evolve with the best expectation for market relief to occur after the New Year. Round tomatoes harvested from Immokalee this week are going into gas rooms and won't be realized in the supply channel until after Christmas. The first picks are suspect of quality issue from rain and cool temperatures during the growing cycle. As long as Round tomato prices remain high, Romas will continue to be pushed upward as buyers look to supplement what cannot be sourced from the round category. In recent weeks much of eastern supply has been sourced from Mexico growing regions, however, with the Christmas holiday fast approaching, many trucks that were making delivery from San Diego will be staying west of the Rockies complicating procurement for the far east. The cherry and Grape tomato categories remain firm with no immediate expectation for relief finishing the year off on the high side.



TOMATOES (WESTERN)

Mainland Mexico has been faced with growing challenges caused by freezing temperatures reducing the imports crossing Texas. Tomatoes out of San Luis Potosi and Torreon were severely damaged from snow shifting buyers attention to Baja for imports where the focus of buying will remain until Culiacan begins winter crops in January. Baja far past their peak but continuing to ship helping the transition to Nogales who is getting started in a light way. With Christmas approaching, reduced picking schedules are in the forecast reducing what is available in the West with most trucks staying West of the Rockies. Demand is steady with 20lb vine ripers hovering below the \$40 mark. Roma tomatoes are better this week as Nogales comes into some volume stabilizing price across AZ, TX, and CA shipping points. Grape and cherry tomatoes remain firm at this time. Western supply should get a boost when Culiacan gets going near the new year when Florida also expects to complete transition.



Commodities at a Glance



Commodity / Region	Market	Quality
Apples		
Coopersville/Belding/Sparta, MI	Steady	Good
Milton, NY	Steady	Good
Wenatchee/Yakima, WA and Hood River, OR	Steady	Good
Caldwell, ID	Steady	Good
Aspers/Gardners, PA	Steady	Good
Asparagus		
Ica, Peru to Trujillo	Steady/Higher	Fair
Cuidad Obregon, Mexico	Higher	Fair
Avocado (Mexican)		
Michoacan, Mexico	Steady/Higher	Good
Bell Peppers (Eastern)		
Hillsborough / Western Collier County, FL	Lower/Steady	Good
Indian River / Dade County, FL	Lower/Steady	Good
Bell Peppers (Western)		
Southern Sonora, Mexico	Steady/Higher	Good
Northern Sinaloa, Mexico	Steady/Higher	Good
Berries (Blackberries)		
Central Mexico	Lower/Steady	Good
Berries (Blueberries)		
Tucuman, Argentina	Steady	Good
Central Mexico	Steady	Good
Southern Chile	Steady	Good
Berries (Raspberries)		
Central Mexico	Higher	Good
Berries (Strawberries)		
Santa Maria, CA	Steady/Higher	Fair
Oxnard, CA	Steady/Higher	Fair
Central Florida	Steady	Good
Central Mexico	Steady/Higher	Good
Broccoli		
Yuma, AZ	Higher	Good
Oxnard/Santa Maria, CA	Higher	Good
McAllen, TX	Higher	Good
Brussels Sprouts		
Salinas Valley, CA	Steady	Excellent
Oxnard, CA	Steady	Excellent

Commodity / Region	Market	Quality
Carrots		
Bakersfield/Santa Maria, CA	Steady	Good
Cauliflower		
Yuma, AZ	Steady/Higher	Good
Oxnard/Santa Maria, CA	Steady/Higher	Good
Celery		
Oxnard/Santa Maria, CA	Steady	Good
Cherries		
Coquimbo/Valaparaíso/Santiago/Rancagua, Chile	Steady	Good
Chili Peppers		
Central Sonora, Mexico	Lower/Steady	Good
Northern Sinaloa, Mexico	Lower/Steady	Good
Cilantro		
Yuma, AZ	Steady	Good
Oxnard/Santa Maria, CA	Steady	Good
Baja, MX	Steady	Good
Citrus (Lemons)		
Coachella, CA / Yuma, AZ	Steady/Higher	Good
Merced/Bakersfield, CA	Steady/Higher	Good
Citrus (Limes)		
Veracruz, Mexico	Steady/Higher	Good
Citrus (Oranges)		
Merced to Bakersfield, CA	Steady/Higher	Good
Riverside, CA	Steady/Higher	Good
Cucumbers (Eastern)		
Indian River / Dade County, FL	Steady/Higher	Good
Hillsborough / Western Collier County, FL	Steady/Higher	Good
Olancho, Honduras	Steady/Higher	Good
Cucumbers (Western)		
Central Sonora, Mexico	Steady/Higher	Fair
Northern Sinaloa, Mexico	Lower/Steady	Good
Eggplant (Eastern)		
Indian River / Dade County, FL	Lower/Steady	Good
Hillsborough / Western Collier County, FL	Lower/Steady	Fair
Eggplant (Western)		
Northern Sinaloa, Mexico	Lower/Steady	Good



Commodities at a Glance



Commodity / Region	Market	Quality
Grapes (Green)		
Delano, CA	Steady	Good
Coquimbo/Valaparaíso/Santiago/Rancagua, Chile	Steady	Good
Grapes (Red)		
Delano, CA	Steady	Fair
Coquimbo/Valaparaíso/Santiago/Rancagua, Chile	Steady	Good
Green Onions		
Mexicali, Baja	Higher	Good
Kale		
Yuma, AZ	Steady	Excellent
Oxnard/Santa Maria, CA	Steady	Excellent
Lettuce Iceberg		
Yuma, AZ	Lower/Steady	Good
Lettuce Leaf		
Yuma, AZ	Steady	Good
Lettuce Tender Leaf		
Yuma, AZ	Steady	Good
Melon (Cantaloupe)		
Maricopa, AZ	Steady	Good
Zacapa, Guatemala	Steady	Good
Melon (Honeydew)		
Zacapa, Guatemala	Steady	Good
Maricopa, AZ	Lower/Steady	Good
Melon (Watermelon)		
Jalisco, Mexico	Higher	Good
Southern Sonora, Mexico	Higher	Fair
Onions		
Ontario, OR to Nampa, ID	Steady	Good
Quincy/Hermiston, WA	Steady	Good
Pears		
Wenatchee/Yakima, WA and Hood River, OR	Steady	Good
Milton, NY	Steady	Good

Commodity / Region	Market	Quality
Pineapples		
Alajuela, Costa Rica	Steady/Higher	Good
Heredia, Costa Rica	Steady/Higher	Good
Limon, Costa Rica	Steady/Higher	Good
La Ceiba, Honduras	Steady/Higher	Good
Retalhuleu, Guatemala	Steady/Higher	Good
Potatoes		
Hamer/Rupert, ID	Steady	Good
Plover/Bancroft, WI	Steady	Good
Monte Vista, CO	Steady	Good
Quincy/Hermiston, WA	Steady	Good
Potatoes (colored)		
Bakersfield, CA	Steady	Good
Rupert to Rexburg, ID	Steady	Good
Pasco/Tri-Cities, WA	Steady	Good
Plover, WI	Steady	Good
Red River Valley, ND	Steady	Good
Mount Vernon, WA	Steady	Good
Squash (Eastern)		
Hillsborough / Sarasota County, FL	Higher	Good
Dade / Eastern Collier County, FL	Higher	Good
Squash (Western)		
Northern Sinaloa, Mexico	Higher	Good
Southern Sonora, Mexico	Higher	Good
Stone Fruit		
Coquimbo, Valaparaíso, Santiago and Rancagua, Chile	Steady	Good
Tomatoes (Eastern)		
Southern Florida	Lower/Steady	Good
Tomatoes (Western)		
Northern Baja California Norte, Mexico	Lower/Steady	Good
Southern Nayarit/Sinaloa, Mexico	Lower/Steady	Good

