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DAILY SHIPMENTS AND CROSSINGS

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		Feb 26	Feb 27	Feb 28	Mar 1	Mar 2	Mar 3	Mar 4	This Season	Last Season	
WATERMELONS											
Costa Rica - Philadelphia-Camden	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	13	13
Guatemala - Freeport (Texas)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	112	141	206
Guatemala - Galveston (Texas)	B	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	105	74	114
Guatemala - Houston (Texas)	B	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	69	5	53
Guatemala - Los Angeles - Long Beach	B	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	119	41	131
Guatemala- Philadelphia- Camden	B	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	328	247	247
Guatemala - Port Hueneme (Calif)	B	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	33	10	22
Guatemala - South Florida/Tampa	B	11	-	-	2	25	-	-	1,029	1,273	1,905
Guatemala - Wilmington (Delaware)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	101	101
Honduras - Freeport (Texas)	B	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	23	25	56
Honduras - Houston (Texas)	B	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	154	60	190
Honduras - Los Angeles - Long Beach	B	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	14	64	155
Honduras - South Florida/Tampa	B	-	3	-	-	1	-	-	55	21	155
Mexico - Eagle Pass (Texas)	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48	71	972
Mexico - Otay Mesa	T	-	3	-	5	6	6	-	137	96	442
Mexico - Pharr (Texas)	T	3	6	2	1	6	7	4	196	133	835
Mexico - Progreso (Texas)	T	35	39	14	-	84	56	24	2,226	2,039	5,519
Mexico - Rio Grande City	T	2	4	2	4	9	6	4	447	220	1,328
Nicaragua - South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	60	98
Panama - South Florida/Tampa	B	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	25	10	32
TOTAL		52	56	82	12	132	75	32	5,164	4,704	12,574
WATERMELONS, SEEDED											
Mexico - Nogales	T	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	32	44	227
TOTAL		-	-	-	-	1	-	-	32	44	227
WATERMELONS, SEEDLESS											
Guatemala - South Florida/Tampa	B	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	76	49	133
Honduras - South Florida/Tampa	B	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	43	21	122
Mexico - Nogales	T	33	28	20	9	35	27	25	5,353	5,579	24,516
TOTAL		34	35	20	9	35	27	25	5,472	5,649	24,771
GRAND TOTAL		86	91	102	21	168	102	57	10,668	10,397	37,572
CANTALOUPS											
Costa Rica - Galveston (Texas)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	-	91
Costa Rica - Houston	B	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	62	2	65
Costa Rica - Los Angeles-Long Beach	B	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	51	129	294
Costa Rica - Philadelphia-Camden	B	-	-	23	-	-	-	-	422	375	375
Costa Rica - Port Hueneme (Calif)	B	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	146	17	37
Costa Rica - South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	14	-	-	-	-	224	413	973
Guatemala - Freeport (Texas)	B	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	155	148	211
Guatemala - Galveston (Texas)	B	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	492	401	685
Guatemala - Houston (Texas)	B	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	177	3	84
Guatemala - Los Angeles-Long Beach	B	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	642	874	1,790
Guatemala- Philadelphia- Camden	B	-	-	113	-	-	-	-	1,161	931	931
Guatemala - Port Hueneme (Calif)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	53	77
Guatemala - South Florida/Tampa	B	15	3	162	14	-	-	-	2,835	2,565	4,775
Honduras - Freeport (Texas)	B	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	95	87	220
Honduras - Houston (Texas)	B	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	110	9	124
Honduras - Los Angeles - Long Beach	B	-	-	54	-	-	-	-	493	414	1,239
Honduras - South Florida/Tampa	B	-	40	-	1	5	-	-	307	183	314
Honduras - Wilmington (Delaware)	B	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	218	165	244
Mexico - Nogales	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	674	690	1,202
TOTAL		15	43	448	15	5	-	-	8,322	7,459	13,731

B - Boat; T - Truck; P - Piggyback; R - Rail

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HONEYDEW											
Costa Rica - Houston	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	2
Costa Rica - Philadelphia-Camden	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	93	258	258
Costa Rica - Port Hueneme (Calif)	B	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	20	1	8
Costa Rica - South Florida/Tampa	B	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	18	-	138
Guatemala - Freeport (Texas)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	20	24
Guatemala - Galveston (Texas)	B	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	152	166	258
Guatemala - Houston (Texas)	B	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	34	-	6
Guatemala - Los Angeles-Long Beach	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	108	162	391
Guatemala - Philadelphia- Camden	B	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	416	370	370
Guatemala - Port Hueneme (Calif)	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	19	30
Guatemala - South Florida/Tampa	B	2	3	6	2	1	-	-	976	977	1,581
Honduras - Freeport (Texas)	B	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	14	19	35
Honduras - Houston (Texas)	B	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	57	-	17
Honduras - Los Angeles - Long Beach	B	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	181	111	304
Honduras - South Florida/Tampa	B	-	1	-	1	7	-	-	335	263	565
Honduras - Wilmington (Delaware)	B	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	83	60	104
Mexico - Pharr (Texas)	T	-	2	-	-	3	2	1	40	98	127
Mexico - Nogales	T	7	2	6	-	17	3	5	2,390	2,389	4,353
TOTAL		9	8	91	3	28	5	6	4,944	4,913	8,571

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SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION

Sales F.O.B Shipping Point and Delivered Sales Shipping Point Basis for **Thursday, March 05, 2015**. 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 LIGHT. DEMAND VERY GOOD. MARKET

ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, FEW COSTA RICA. Wide range of quality and condition 1/2 cartons 9s 12.95-14.95 mostly 13.95-14.95 12s 12.95-14.95 mostly 13.95-14.95 15s 12.95-14.95 mostly 13.95-14.95 oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) 12.95-14.95 mostly 13.95-14.95

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, FEW COSTA RICA. Wide range of quality and condition 2/3 cartons 5s 9.95-12.95 mostly 10.95-11.95 occas lower 6s 9.95-12.95 mostly 10.95-11.95 occas lower 8s 8.95-10.95 oversized 2/3 cartons 5s (4 size) 9.95-10.95 occas higher and lower

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT. DEMAND GOOD. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, FEW COSTA RICA flat cartons Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s supplies in too few hands to quote 24 inch bins per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type 36s supplies in too few hands to quote 45s supplies in too few hands to quote 60s .18-.23 mostly .20-.22 occas lower few high as .27 cartons 3s per lb Red Flesh

Seedless Type 65-69 lb supplies in too few hands to quote cartons 4s per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type 65-69 lb .22-.25 mostly .23-.24 cartons 5s per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type 65-69 lb .22-.25 mostly .23-.24

CENTRAL AMERICA IMPORTS - PORTS OF ENTRY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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

CANTALOUPS: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT. DEMAND EXCEEDS SUPPLY.

GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, COSTA RICA. wide range of quality and condition 1/2 cartons 9s supplies in too few hands to quote oversized 1/2 cartons 9s (6 size) supplies in too few hands to quote

HONEYDEWS: SUPPLY VERY LIGHT. DEMAND EXCEEDS SUPPLY.

GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, COSTA RICA 2/3 cartons 5s supplies in too few hands to quote 6s supplies in too few hands to quote

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH NOGALES, ARIZONA

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

HONEYDEWS: DEMAND 8S FAIRLY LIGHT, OTHERS MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Extra services included. Wide range in quality. 2/3 cartons 5s 9.00-10.95 mostly 9.00-9.50 few 11.35 6s 8.00-10.35 mostly 8.00-8.50 occasional higher 8s 7.35-9.50 mostly 8.00-8.50 occasional higher and lower

WATERMELONS: DEMAND MODERATE. MARKET ABOUT STEADY. Wide range in quality. cartons per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s .24-.26 occasional higher 5s .26-.28 mostly .26 occasional higher 6s .24-.26 occasional higher

MEXICO CROSSINGS THRU TEXAS

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

WATERMELONS: SUPPLY LIGHT.

DEMAND LIGHT. MARKET STEADY.

Extra services included. cartons per lb Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s .24-.26 mostly .24-.25 occasional higher 5s .22-.26 mostly .23-.24 6s .20-.24 mostly .22-.24 occasional lower

WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKET PRICES AS OF Thursday, March 05, 2015

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 STEADY. 1/2 cartons CR 9s 17.00 12s 17.00 GU 9s 17.00 12s 15.00-17.00 mostly 16.00-17.00 15s 16.50-17.00 HD 9s 18.00 12s 17.00-18.00
HONEYDEWS: MARKET STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU 4s 16.00 5s 13.50-14.00 6s 12.50-14.00 mostly 13.00-14.00 8s 12.00-12.50 yellow 6s 10.00-10.50 8s 9.00-9.50 9s 9.00-9.50 HD 6s 12.00-14.50 mostly 13.00-14.00 8s 12.50 9s 10.00-10.50

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons 5s GU Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 22.00 cartons 6s GU Red Flesh Seedless Type 6s 21.00-23.00

BOSTON

CANTALOUPS: MARKET HONDURAS LOWER; OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CR 9s 17.00-18.00 12s 17.00-18.00 GU 9s 14.00-16.00 mostly 16.00 occas high as 20.00 12s 14.00-18.00 mostly 16.00 15s 14.00-16.00 mostly 15.00-16.00 18s 14.00-15.00 HD 9s 16.00 12s 14.00-18.00 mostly 16.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET HONDURAS 5S LOWER; OTHERS ABOUT STEADY. 2/3

cartons CR 6s 14.00-16.00 mostly 14.00 8s 12.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-13.00 GU 6s 15.00-16.00 8s 15.00-16.00 9s 10.00 HD 5s 13.00-14.00 6s 14.00 8s 13.00-14.00 MX 5s 12.00-15.00 mostly 13.00-14.00 6s 12.00-15.00 mostly 14.00 8s 10.00-12.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 oversized 2/3 cartons HD 5s (4 size) 14.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET BINS HIGHER; OTHERS STEADY. cartons GU Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s fr qual 30.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 38.00 5s 38.00 lighter weight 30.00-32.00 Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s offerings insufficient to quote NI Red Flesh Seedless Type 4s 37.00 5s 37.00 24 inch bins per melon MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 15-19 lb avg 7.50 20-24 lb avg 9.50

CHICAGO

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CR 9s 13.00-14.50 mostly 13.00-14.00 HD 9s 13.00-14.00 12s 9.00-11.00 mostly 10.00-11.00 occas higher oversized 1/2 cartons CR 9s (6 size) 15.00-16.00 HD 9s (6 size) 14.00-15.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons HD 5s 10.00-11.00 6s 8.00-10.00 mostly 9.00-10.00 occas higher 8s 7.00-8.00 MX 5s 10.00-12.50 mostly 11.00-12.00 fineappear 15.00 6s 10.00-11.00 8s 10.00-11.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons per carton GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 4s 22.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 4s 25.50-26.50 mostly 26.00-26.50 5s 25.50-26.50 mostly 26.00-26.50 few low as 22.00 NI Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 4s 25.50-26.50 24 inch bins HD Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties approx 60 count 250.00

LOS ANGELES

CANTALOUPS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 1/2 cartons CR BOAT 9s 16.00-18.00 GU BOAT 9s 16.00-18.00 HD BOAT 12s 17.00-18.00 oversized 1/2 cartons CR BOAT 9s (6 size) 16.00-20.00 HD BOAT 9s (6 size) 20.00 (one label)

HONEYDEWS: OFFERINGS OF OFFSHORE HONEYDEWS LIGHT. MARKET MEXICO 8S SLIGHTLY HIGHER, OTHERS STEADY. 2/3 cartons GU BOAT 5s 10.00-12.00 6s 10.00-12.00 HD BOAT 5s fr cond 8.00-10.00 6s fr cond 8.00-10.00 MX 5s 10.00-12.00 mostly 10.00-11.00 6s 9.00-12.00 mostly 10.00-11.00 8s 8.00-10.00 mostly 9.00 poorer condition all origins and sizes lower

WATERMELONS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. cartons per lb MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s .37-.42 mostly .37-.39 24 inch bins per lb MX Red Flesh Seedless Type 45s .24

MIAMI

CANTALOUPS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 1/2 cartons CR 9s 13.00-15.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 12s 13.00-15.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 few higher HD 9s 13.00-15.00 mostly 14.00-15.00 few higher 12s 13.00-15.00 mostly 13.00-14.00 few higher

HONEYDEWS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. 2/3 cartons CR 5s 12.00 few higher and lower GU 5s 12.00-13.00 few lower HD 5s 12.00-14.00 mostly 12.00-13.00 few higher and lower 6s 13.00-15.00 mostly 13.00-14.00 few higher and lower

WATERMELONS: MARKET ABOUT STEADY. flat cartons per carton GU Red Flesh Seedless Type 5s 25.00-26.00 mostly 26.00 few higher 24 inch bins per melon FL Red Flesh Seeded Type 45s 3.00-4.00 few higher HD Red Flesh Seedless Type 60s 3.00-4.00 few higher

NEW YORK

CANTALOUPS: MARKET HIGHER. 1/2 cartons CR 9s holdovers 15.00 12s holdovers 12.00 GU 9s 18.00-20.00 few 16.00 holdovers 13.00-14.00 12s 18.00-20.00 holdovers 12.00-14.00 HD 12s holdovers 15.00-16.00 fr appear holdovers 12.00 oversized 1/2 cartons GU 9s (6 size) holdovers 15.00 flat cartons CR 9s (6 size) 16.00-18.00 GU 12s 16.00-18.00

HONEYDEWS: MARKET HIGHER. 2/3 cartons GU 5s 14.00-15.00 6s holdovers 6.00-7.00 HD 5s 14.00-15.00 6s 14.00-15.00 MX 5s 14.00-15.00 6s 14.00-15.00 oversized 2/3 cartons MX 5s (4 size) 15.00-16.00 10 kg containers CR 5s holdovers 10.00 6s holdovers 10.00

WATERMELONS: MARKET STEADY. cartons per carton GU Red Flesh Seedless Miniature 6s offerings insufficient to quote cartons 4s per carton CR Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 28.00 GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 20.00-22.00 mostly 22.00 few 24.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 32.00-35.00 few 30.00 75-79 lb avg fineappear 35.00 cartons 5s per carton CR Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 28.00 GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 20.00-22.00 mostly 20.00 few 24.00 MX Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 26.00 fr cond 20.00 cartons 6s per carton CR Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 24.00 GU Red Flesh Seedless Type Round Varieties 70-74 lb avg 18.00-20.00

PHILADELPHIA

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