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## Market Alerts

**TOMATOES** Heavy rains in Florida have affected supplies of Round, Cherry and Grape Tomatoes. Pricing is higher than normal in the eastern U.S., with 5x6 Rounds being the best overall value. Roma Tomato quality in all U.S. markets is fair at best, due to poor growing conditions out of Mexico.

**CUCUMBERS** The rains in Florida, coupled with cooler than normal temperatures in California, have tightened supplies of all grades of Cucumbers. Pricing is higher than normal, with Select grade product being the best value.

**GRAPES** The current Mexican harvest is much lighter than expected, causing prices to be 10-15% higher than normal on both **Green and Red Grapes**. Quality is fair, with sizing and coloring issues reported.

**BERRIES** **Blackberry and Raspberry** supplies are down significantly due to the cool California conditions. Pricing may be higher in certain markets, with good to fair quality reported.

## A Peek at Peak Seasons

**Tender Leaf Lettuce:** Supplies of Spring Mix, Baby Spinach and Arugula are abundant out of Salinas Valley CA, with great quality and pricing.

**Strawberries:** California's harvests are in their first seasonal peak in all regions. Quality is excellent.

**Limes:** Mexico's lime harvest is at peak production and will continue through July.

**Stone Fruit:** California is harvesting Peaches, Nectarines and Plums.

**Iceberg Lettuce:** Quality out of Central California is very good, and pricing is at its lowest levels in several weeks.

**Blueberries:** California and Georgia are peaking on production, with very good quality.

**Green Onions:** Mexico's harvest is yielding very nice quality, with vibrant color and consistent sizing.

## Weather Update

**California:** Warmer temperatures, almost to seasonal levels, and normal precipitation expected all week.

**Mexico:** Warm conditions with isolated showers in most growing regions. Tropical systems are developing in the Eastern Pacific.

**Florida:** Seasonal temperatures and precipitation expected all week.

**Central America:** A volcano eruption in Guatemala is affecting imports of Snow Peas, Snap Peas, French Beans and Baby Squash. Some of these products may be more scarce than usual over the next few weeks.






















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# Commodities at a Glance

 APPLES	Quality and pricing are good	 CELERY	Quality and pricing are good	 LETTUCE LEAF	Quality and pricing are good
 ASPARAGUS	Quality and pricing are good	 CITRUS (LEMONS)	Quality and pricing are good	 LETTUCE TENDER LEAF	Quality and pricing are good
 AVOCADO	Quality and pricing are good	 CITRUS (LIMES)	Quality and pricing are good	 MELON (CANTALOUPE)	Quality is good, pricing is slightly higher
 BELL PEPPERS	Quality is good to fair; pricing is slightly higher	 CITRUS (ORANGES)	Quality is good, pricing is slightly higher on smaller sizes	 MELON (HONEYDEW)	Quality is good, pricing is slightly higher
 BERRIES (BLACKBERRIES)	Quality is fair; pricing is higher	 CUCUMBERS	Quality is good to fair; pricing is higher	 MELON (WATERMELON)	Quality and pricing are good
 BERRIES (BLUEBERRIES)	Quality and pricing are good	 EGGPLANT	Quality is good to fair; pricing is higher on Western product	 ONIONS	Quality and pricing are good
 BERRIES (RASPBERRIES)	Quality is fair; pricing is higher	 GARLIC	Quality is fair; pricing is higher	 PEARS	Quality and pricing are good
 BERRIES (STRAWBERRIES)	Quality and pricing are good	 GRAPES (GREEN)	Quality is fair; pricing is higher	 PINEAPPLES	Quality and pricing are good
 BROCCOLI	Quality is good, pricing is slightly higher	 GRAPES (RED)	Quality is fair; pricing is higher	 POTATOES	Quality is good, pricing is higher. 90 CT and smaller sizes are the best value.
 BRUSSELS SPROUTS	Quality is good, pricing may be higher	 GREEN ONIONS	Quality and pricing are good	 POTATOES (COLORED)	Quality and pricing are good
 CARROTS	Quality and pricing are good	 KALE	Quality and pricing are good	 SQUASH	Quality and pricing are good
 CAULIFLOWER	Quality is fair; pricing is higher	 LETTUCE ICEBERG	Quality and pricing are good	 TOMATOES	Quality is good, pricing is higher; smaller Rounds are the best value

