

Ingredients for your success

Hot News

Turkey

Ahead of Thanksgiving, whole birds are becoming harder to find. Hen availability is very tight. Toms can still be found, but mostly in larger sizes.

Beef

Rumblings of large export package, along with domestic retail demand has caused availability to tighten and pricing to increase on end cuts. *(Rounds & Chucks)

Produce

The fresh produce industry across many growing regions in multiple states as well as in Mexico, continues to be challenged on several core commodity items. Several items are on alert.

Seafood

Due to industry-wide shortages, Portico imported calamari could see some increased market changes.



Poultry

Whole birds are slightly down. Jumbo breasts saw an increase. Medium breasts were down as supply increases. Jumbo tenders were up. Small tenders were down. Jumbo wings were up and all wing demand stayed high as football is under way. The back half was down.

Beef

End cuts had the largest demand increase due to cooler weather and from additional funding from exports. Ribs continue to go mostly unchanged, as prices and supplies are in good balance. Loins continue to be soft, even with all the additional ads. Ground beef continues to be soft due to increase supply and low cost on trimmings.

Pork

Hog futures are holding steady, although that may change with rising crop prices. Butts are steady going into next week, as plants struggle with labor. Expect the spread between B/I and Boneless to widen. Loins are following suit with butts. Market is holding steady from retail demand. St. Louis ribs are now seeing the effects of movement from backribs and supply is tightening up.

Grains/Oils

For soybean oil, there was a large sell-off from traders pushing the market lower. By week's end, the market had moved back higher again. For soybeans there is strong Chinese buying which is keeping the market firm. Canola is very tight and may move higher. Palm is higher than the prior week.

Dairy

The Cheese markets have finally hit their peak and begun to trend downward. The Butter market increased slightly as the market steady's. All shell eggs markets stayed flat, except XL and Large brown eggs in the Southeast and Northeast market, which saw small increases. Medium white eggs decreased in the Midwest market.

Seafood

Supply of processed catfish remains tight as suppliers compete for labor. Imported catfish is a good alternative. Wild Alaska Pollock season closes leaving about 8.5% of the quota in the water. 8oz mahi portions are getting tight as the harvest from the new season has yet to arrive while 6oz are in good supply.

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Top Produce Items

Asparagus

Market could become active as holiday demand will start. Volume is improving on the West Coast so may only see moderate pressure on pricing. Quality is good to very good.



Avocados

Strong harvest and shipping continue from Mexico. Majority of fruit is aventajada crop. Peak sizing 40/48/60/70, good availability on all sizes. Good maturity and quality. Great time to add avocados to your menus!

Green Beans-Alert

Supplies light in the East and market stronger. Adverse weather will impact quality and supply next week. Cooler weather in the West will slow production out Coachella and Nogales.

Mix Berries

Markets are stronger this week due to less supply on blackberries and blueberries. Raspberries remain in good shape with promotable volumes available.

Strawberries-Alert

Markets on strawberries are active once again as there was crop damage out of CA. Salinas and Watsonville continue to wind down. Product quality is fair at best.

Broccoli-Alert

The remaining Salinas CA crop is of poor quality with decay, discoloration, mechanical damage, and hollow core. The desert crop seems to be developing nicely. Markets are very active due lighter overall supply out of CA and Mexico coupled with strong demand.

Cauliflower-Alert

Quality is fair to good this week as cooler weather continues to slow down harvest and demand is positive. Markets are very active due lighter overall supply out of CA and Mexico coupled with strong demand.

Limes-Alert

Rain has impacted harvesting resulting in lighter crossings and market is getting very active. Expect limited supplies through next week.

Lemons and Oranges

Lemons- Good supply and quality to meet all demand needs. Oranges- Demand has been good. Supplies continue to increase as the navel harvest picks up steam. Quality is good on navels and eating quality is improving weekly. Pricing is adjusting as more supplies are becoming available.

Lettuce and Leaf-Alert

Markets on all romaine, iceberg and green leaf lettuces are volatile. Continued weather challenges and reduction of yields continue to impact the harvest. Expect markets to be unsettled and challenged for the next 2-3 weeks on all packs of commodity and value added packs.

Peppers-ALERT

Red and yellow bells are short in supply on both the east and west coasts. Green bells however are in good supply. Weather events in both growing regions have caused the shorts on the red and yellow peppers and could be further hampered if more rain continues in the regions.

Parsley-Alert

The markets on parsley remain challenging due to quality issues and limited supply. Conditions on cilantro continue to improve along with Italian parsley.

Tomato-Alert

The market is rapidly strengthening due to Hurricane ETA anticipated arrival WED PM/Thursday AM. Availability will be significantly reduced due to the damage this storm poses to the Ruskin/Palmetto growing region.

Carrots

Snack pack or baby carrots remain in short supply due to capacity issues at the processors. Sizing on jumbos out of CA remain challenged. Previous high heat has caused growing issues.

Celery

Markets are active this week as the demand for the holiday season starts. Yields in Salinas is starting to decline and getting ready for the transfer to Oxnard CA. Fair quality with discoloration and pithiness.

Hot House

Demand exceeds supplies on Heirloom tomatoes, mini peppers improving with better volume expected in 7-10 days.

Mushrooms

Due to strong demand coupled by several crop failures on all mushrooms expect to see limited supplies from now till the end of the year.

Fall West Coast Transition

The transition from the growing regions of the Salinas Valley in CA will start to make its transition down to the desert growing regions of Yuma Arizona over the next 4-6 weeks.



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