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Hot News

Seafood

Expect supply chain interruptions a few months from now to hit imported seafood from Asia as most factories in China are either short on staff or remain closed due to coronavirus.

Produce - Garlic

Demand has recently surged on domestic garlic. The market will be adjusting higher and supplies will become limited. Expect unsettled markets till the end of June possibly July.



Poultry

Whole bird markets are slightly up. The jumbo breast meat markets are up based on increased demand and boneless wing promotions. Jumbo wings are weaker, while small wings supplies have tightened. Dark meat is steady due to lower export movement.

Beef

Ribs seemed to garner buyers' attention as supply on ribs tightened, especially on lighter weight ranges. Loins continue to hold steady, but tenderloins continue to hover at lower levels and await interest for possible Easter ads and steak cutter interest to support demand. Chucks continue to trade steady and rounds maintained an overall flat tone as retailers continue to feature.

Pork

Pork markets are still holding steady going into next week. Butts have gained a little strength; we should not see much movement for the next few weeks. Bone-in and boneless loin markets are flat. Bellies have finally leveled off and will stay steady due to the excess supply in cold storage.

Grains/Oils

USDA released reports that showed an increase in expected planting acres for soybeans which helped move them lower, and the same for corn. Coronavirus fears are causing a lack of exports, driving agricultural markets lower. Soybean oil futures fell following suit along with lower palm oil markets.

Dairy

Processed Cheese markets are trending up while natural cheese and mozzarella markets are moving downward. Butter markets are trending down week over week due to abundant cream supplies. The shell egg market has not changed in the last seven days.

Seafood

Domestic brown shrimp are in short supply forcing this market higher. Asian shrimp markets, in spite of the coronavirus, are stable. Lobster markets remain elevated, but steady, as supply is very tight. Except for the European markets, salmon is steady for both fresh and frozen.

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Top Produce Items

Asparagus

Favorable weather is keeping the market low, and supplies are expected to be good for the next two weeks in the Mexico region. Quality is good to very good.

Avocados-Alert

Demand exceeds supplies on key sizes, with 48ct supplies tight and 40ct and larger being shorted. Small fruit and #2's have good availability. Expect prorates and flexibility needed on size and grade to fill orders.

Squash-Alert

FL zucchini supplies are light, and the market is stronger with good quality. Yellow squash supplies are very short and will remain short with the cool, wet weather forecast. Expect a large gap in supplies late next week from Mexico.

Mix Berries

Good raspberry & blackberry supplies are reported out of central Mexico. Blueberries continue to be challenged and shorter in supply. Peru and Chile have finished, and the remaining supply is not enough to meet all demand needs.

Strawberry

Supplies are up as growing areas continue to recover. Markets are reporting differently by region (Mexico, FL, and CA) as each area has a unique set of circumstances driving current conditions.



Broccoli

Broccoli is experiencing rapid growth due to past weather events and a warming trend. Quality is fair to good with occasional branchiness and shading. Crowns are full to oversized. Broccolini supplies are short due to limited supply coming out of Salinas, CA

Cauliflower

The cauliflower market remains active due to lighter supply and looks to be unsettled for the next 2-4 weeks. QA is noting some riciness, uneven sizing, occasional discoloration, and ¾ to full jacket

Citrus-Limes

The lime market continues to increase as volume from Mexico decreases. Small sizes are getting short and peaking on 110/150ct with limited availability on 200ct and smaller.

Citrus-Orange & Lemon

The lemon market is steady with good quality; sizing is running large. Demand will start to increase as we get into Lent and warmer weather. The orange market is steady with sizing running large. Quality is good.

Lettuce and Leaf

Supply is good on all iceberg, leaf and romaine items. QA Notes: Iceberg: Jumbo-sized large frame, occasional old ice damage, wind burn, and mildew. Leaf: Good overall quality with occasional old blister damage. Romaine: Good overall quality with minor cupping in some stands.

Potatoes

The market is mostly steady, with indications it could begin to firm up as we get into March. We have seen a few minor shortages of 40 and 50ct and expect larger sizes to be a challenge for the remainder of the season. Quality is good

Peppers-Alert

Green bell supplies are tightening as demand increases. Colored bells are in good supply, with mostly Choice grade.

Tomatoes-Alert

Tomato markets are extremely active on all varieties due to critical supply on both coasts from rainfall, cold temps, and increased demand. Quality will vary greatly among shippers. Expect these markets into March/April.

Cucumbers

The market is expected to remain strong for the next few weeks. Mexico is in a large production gap, and imports from Honduras into FL are light as their season winds down.

Garlic

On CA grown product, demand has surged. The market will be adjusting upwards and supplies will start to become limited as the next harvest is not till the end of June.

Tomatoes

Markets are extremely active on all varieties due to critical supply on both coasts.

Tomatillos

The market is extremely active as supplies are limited from excessive rain and cold weather in Mexico.

Peppers-Chiles

FL supply is light, quality is fair, and the market is strong.



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