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PRODUCE & GOURMET



## GOOD BUYS

### FIGS

Black Mission figs are in from California with beautiful quality at their peak season.

### STONE FRUIT

Delicious peaches, nectarines, and red + black plums are in stock. Cherries are finished for the season. Some local peaches are still available.

### MANGO

Winding down out of Mexico, but excellent flavor!

### GRAPES

Excellent quality from California. First of the season Concord grapes are here!

### BABY LETTUCES

Arugula, baby kale, baby spinach and spring mix are steady.

### PEPPERS

Plentiful supplies on Central CA red and yellow peppers. Green peppers are from the east coast with good volume.

### ARTICHOKES

Excellent quality on 24 and 18 CT from Castroville.

## MARKETNOTES

### PRODUCE MARKET REPORT

SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

### SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES

TRANSPORTATION,  
WEATHER, AND LABOR

Freight rates continue to impact due to increases on the cost of truck loads, the ongoing upsurge in fuel prices, and labor shortage of drivers and warehouse pickers. There are major heat waves out west and heavy rainfalls in the east causing crop damage in the fields. Additionally, labor shortages are affecting all markets but especially on mushrooms.

### POMEGRANATES

New crop from California is in with excellent quality. It's a 2-layer pack size.

### CAULIFLOWER

Excellent quality and volume.

### MELONS

Melons from the West Side have excellent sugar content; a few local melons are in too - canary, yellow watermelons.

### CORN

All new crop from New York.

### CABBAGE

Excellent quality and supplies from NY and NJ.

### CELERY

Great supplies and availability.

## PEAK SEASON

### PEARS

New crop California Bartletts, Boscs, and red pears are in. Local Asian pears are now in stock.

### CITRUS

Lemon and lime markets are holding. Smaller size oranges (88,113, 138 CT) are tight due to school demand. New crop blood oranges from South Africa. Grapefruit and clementines are still steady.

### TOMATOES

Local tomatoes will wind down soon- cherry and beefsteaks. Overall sourcing is difficult; Tennessee crop is being assessed after heavy rainfall damage and flooding, with more rain to come, plus labor shortages across the market.

### PINEAPPLES

A lot more supplies in the market now.

### ONIONS

New crop is starting with good quality, firm markets due to transition and freights.

### APPLES

More availability on Gold Delicious + Granny Smiths. Local is right around the corner!

### BERRIES

Blueberries are in transition to the 1/2 pts from South America. Blackberries and raspberries are steady with good quality.

### ZUCCHINI & YELLOW SQUASH

Crop is winding down locally and will transition soon. Yellow is still slightly active.

### WET VEG

Parsley and leeks are steady. Cilantro is coming down after its recent active market.

### POTATOES

Large Idaho potatoes are still active as the new crop starts. New crop A + B reds are excellent.

### AVOCADOS

Market is improving but prices are holding for now. There are no supply issues anymore.

## LOCAL CORNER

### MARYLAND

Kale, Collards Greens | Richardsons Farms  
Corn | Godfrey Farms  
Melon, Peppers | Shlagel Farms

### VIRGINIA

Peaches | Crown Orchards  
Bushel Beans | C+E Farms  
Squash | Parker Farms  
Tomatoes, Yellow Watermelon | Lois's Produce  
Green Tomatoes | Newmarket

### PENNSYLVANIA

Squash, Tomatoes, Green Peppers, Peaches | Hess Farms  
Eggplant, Melon, Tomatoes, Peppers | Sunny Harvest

### NORTH CAROLINA

Sweet Potatoes | Wood

## ALERT

### BRUSSELS SPROUTS

Demand holds strong, but harvest volumes are starting to improve.

### BROCCOLI

Market is very tight with prorates on florets

### STRAWBERRIES

Very tight market through the month, prorates are in place.

### BEANS

There is hurricane damage to the crop so supplies are gapping.

### GREEN ONIONS

Market is very active due to excessive heat.

### ASPARAGUS

Supplies are down due to cool weather in Peru; quality is good.

### ICEBERG + ROMAINE

Market has spiked up significantly due to heat damage.



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