



Weekly Market Report

May 22, 2017

Check our [Homegrown Hub](#) Local Report for new items throughout the season!

What's Notable?!

- ◇ **Local Strawberries** now in stock!
- ◇ **In stock now: Local Asparagus.**



Watch out! These items are running tight.

- **Apples & Pears** — Pears from Washington state are just about finished, prices are high.
- **Blueberries** — Prices are higher as FL has finished and GA is slow to start. We will be sourcing from CA.
- **Broccoli** — Supplies remain light, prices are high.
- **Brussels Sprouts** — Prices much higher as growers battle insect related quality problems.
- **Celery** — Prices are extremely high as growers face a supply gap similar to what we saw with lettuce over the last month. This will last through the rest of this month.
- **Citrus** — Navel **Orange** supplies are getting tight as the season winds down. The transition to Valencia's is coming after Memorial Day. **Lemon** markets are high and are expected to increase incrementally until mid summer. Small sizes, 165's and 200's., are scarce.
- **Corn** — GA is delayed on White Corn and prices are much higher. Demand will exceed supply. Supplies on Yellow Corn are better and will be a good option.
- **Eggplant** — Markets are higher as Mexico finished and FL struggles to meet demand. GA is just starting.
- **Garlic** — Prices remain high. CA looks to be limited for the next few weeks.
- **Grapes** — Prices are higher and supplies are very limited. Mexico has not been able to supply the demand.
- **Peas** — Markets remain high on both Sugar Snaps and Snow Peas.
- **Peppers** — Prices on **Green** and **Red** peppers are much higher. Hot house peppers prices are slightly higher.
- **Potatoes** — Idaho potatoes prices are up. Large sizes will be in short supply for the rest of the storage deal.



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VEGETABLES

Asparagus: Supplies from Peru have improved but markets are slightly lower. Local is in stock now!

Beans: Bushel green bean prices are steady and GA has started. French beans are slightly higher.

Cauliflower: Prices back down with much better supplies.

Iceberg Lettuce: Prices steady with good quality.

Leaf Items: Steady pricing and good quality. Growers are finally caught up on supplies.

Spring Mix, Arugula and Baby Spinach: Good supplies on all baby kale. We are seeing a lot of moisture on spring mix, baby spinach and arugula from all vendors. We will be keeping tight inventories over the next few weeks until quality improves.

Squash: Georgia has started on squash and Mexico is finished. Prices are slightly higher. Hard-shell squash will be coming from Mexico. Markets are higher.



TOMATOES



Tomatoes, rounds: Supplies are very tight right now. Crops are finishing earlier than most growers anticipated. Prices are high and increasing almost daily.

Roma: Prices on Mexican product have started to climb. FL prices are climbing and availability in both regions looks like it might beginning to become an issue. Mexican product is transitioning growing regions and FL product is extremely tight with higher demand.

Grape and Cherry: Cherry markets are starting to come up short on product and growers are increasing prices as a result. Grapes are in a similar situation with lower volume and higher costs. Product is available and quality remains good at this time.

Green: We into Hot House grown product. Supplies and prices should remain steady.

Hummingbird Farms has started. Check out the Local Report to see availability.



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FRUITS

Avocados: CA & MX supplies remain short and pricing is strong. It is anticipated that markets will remain active through September. July and August could prove to be very active as CA will be finishing up and Flora Loca crop will be light. The following is information on the current market in each growing area:

Mexico has more fruit than they anticipated and are harvesting more supplies right now. Pricing is coming down somewhat, especially on the #2 fruit. The Flora Loca crop will begin on or about July 1 but will be lighter this year. **California** harvest volumes have peaked for the season and will start to decline going forward. Majority of the fruit is filling demand in the west. Pricing is strong and will remain throughout the season. **Peru** is now in the marketplace at small volumes. Eating quality is early season and does not have the same oil content or taste profile of Mexican/Californian fruit. Pricing is significantly lower on Peru fruit. Import volumes are expected to peak in June and July.

We have both CA and Mexican product in house. We are not currently planning on using Peru fruit to over our codes.

Blackberries: Prices are lower and quality is very good.

Melons: **Cantaloupe** markets are steady, Mexico has started. **Honeydew** supplies are improved and markets will be steady. **Watermelon** prices are steady.

Stone Fruit: California **Cherries** are now in stock. Red **Plums** from CA will be in stock this week. Prices will be high and sizing small. California **Peaches** and **Nectarines** are in stock.

Strawberries: Prices steady. Quality has been very nice with very large sizing.
Local Strawberries now in stock.



NO CHANGES

Cabbage: Supplies and prices are steady.

Cucumbers: Markets on field grown product and Hot House supplies are steady.

Limes: Markets are steady.

Mango: Markets are steady.

Onions: Markets are steady with good supplies.

Pineapples: Markets are steady.

Raspberries: Markets are steady.

