

Market CORNER

Ingredients For Your Success!





Poultry

Cooler weather is helping to improve bird weights and it's causing supply to improve around the country. Tenders have freed up in the open market. Wings are the best value in chicken as prices remain low. Breasts of all sizes are showing good availability. Availability of thigh and leg meat has also improved.



Pork

Pork markets have stabilized from recent declines. Hams are trading at recent levels. Bellies are unsettled as fresh and frozen availability varies across the country. Loins are steady with adequate supply and a slowly softening market per seasonality. Butts have softened. Ribs remain steady.



Beef

The cutout moved higher for the third week in a row. Chucks, rounds, strips and grinds were the primary cuts moving higher in price. The trend higher is expected to continue into next week. This week's harvest came in at a 573k head which is the largest since early Sept.



Dairy

Jumbo and Extra Large are up, Large are up and Medium are up. California – Jumbo are up, Extra Large are up, Large are up and Medium are up. The Block market is down, and the Butter market is down. Cream remains readily available.



Grains / Oil

Soybean oil moved higher last week with strength from soybean meal. China is working on negotiating with Canada to remove tariffs on Chinese electric vehicles, which could lead to duties being removed from Canola seed. Seed futures moved into positive territory.

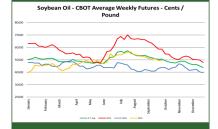


Seafood

Seafood markets experiencing firm conditions due to seasonal demand, delayed harvests. and tightening supply. Tariff impacts are beginning to influence pricing expectations, particularly for crab and canned items. Continued supply constraints may shape availability through early fall.

Market HEADLINES

Soy Bean Oil



Beef

Historically the Beef tender market is beginning to move higher and continues into Dec. However, tenderloins have moved slightly lower through Oct, and expectation is for prices to be steady into first half of November.

Turkey

Turkey supply remains very tight across the complex. Whole bird and Ready to Cook Turkey breasts are in high demand and are hard to find if you haven't booked your holiday needs.



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Asparagus

Supplies are about steady this week from Mexico, but larger sizing is still limited. New fields have started but bigger sizing looks to remain short for some time. Market is about steady. Peruvian volume is increasing.

Avocado

Mexico- supplies are plentiful, quality is good, demand is good and the market steady to lower. California - supplies will be wrapping up over the next 6 weeks.

Bell Peppers

East - green pepper supply, quality and demand are good, market is steady. Red and yellow supplies tight, quality fair to good, demand strong, market is steady. West — Market steady for green as desert production ramps up. Quality has been excellent with thick walls and strong color. Color peppers especially yellow are limited, market stronger.

Broccoli

Market remains elevated with high demand and lower yields impacting supplies. Mexico volume is helping but overall volume is light.

Cauliflower

Market remains elevated and active. Supplies are expected to be light through transition. Quality continues to be fair with a lot of insect pressure.

Cilantro/Parsley

Market on parsley is steady, and cilantro is mostly steady with fair supplies. Quality reported as good on both.

Celery

Market is higher as supplies and quality are coming under increasing pressure from quality issues. Yields are declining and will likely continue to trend lower as we head into the holiday season.

Grapes

The recent storms have impacted quality and supply on all green varieties. Expecting fair quality going forward and much better over all quality on reds. Reds continue to be fair to good, but all markets are up in price.

Citrus

Lemons- Supplies good, quality good to excellent, demand strong, and the market is steady to lower. Harvesting out of D3 and D1; size structures are complementing each other allowing availability across the board.

Oranges- Supplies are good; Valencia's are wrapping up and the Navels are officially underway. Still snug on 88/113/138's but improving. Size peaking on 88/113/138s.

Limes- Supplies good, quality good, demand fair to good and the market is steady.

Lettuce Iceberg

Market is a little softer with additional volume out of Huron. This is expected to be short lived as the industry as a whole is very light. The next few week are expected to be light.

Lettuce Romaine

Market very active and higher. Quality and weather continues to impact yields on romaine with hearts extremely limited. Market to remain active through transition.

Onions

Yellow, red and white supplies are good. Idaho and Washington harvest continues. Quality is good in both areas. The outlook is for good availability all season. Prices have stabilized.

Potatoes- Russets

Supplies are good on all sizes across the board. Sizing is very large. The outlook is for good availability all season. The harvest is finished. Quality is good. Prices are steady.

Squash

East - zucchini supplies tight, quality good, demand strong market is steady to increasing. Yellow supplies steady, quality and demand good and market is steady to slightly higher. West-Zucchini market is active due to transitional growing regions. Demand is strong.

Tomatoes

Round and roma markets are improving with increased availability out of Quincy, FL & MX growing regions. Grape and cherry markets are unchanged vs previous week.

PRODUCE MARKET *Updates*

Strawberries

Demand exceeds supply until Mexico production increases and Florida gets started in December. Prices are higher. Quality is fairly good.

Mushrooms

Supplies all varieties of mushrooms are adequate from most suppliers but have the potential for intermittent gaps in production due to inconsistent yields from new compost.

Melons

Cantaloupe Much lower yields than projected out of the desert have markets holding high this week. Early Import will help alleviate western product shortages. Honeydew increased volume from Mexico has this market steady to lower. Quality is fair to good with some outer weather-related issues present.