



Market CORNER

Ingredients For Your Success!

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Poultry

An ice storm is expected to affect the South this week and could affect production. Tender demand is increasing. Wings remain the best value in chicken as prices stay low and demand is starting to heat up. Breasts of all sizes are starting to tighten up. Thigh and leg meat demand is increasing.



Pork

Bellies seem to have increased supply that may lead to softer markets. Trim has tight supply dynamics but is leveling out. Loins have moderate retail interest with steady demand. Butts are leveling off. Spares remain tight in supply, while the other types are steady, but demand is up and markets are highly inflationary.



Beef

Cutout values are continuing to run well above last year and are surging higher this week. Middle meats continue to make the surge higher in anticipation of Valentine's Day. Most thin meats and coarse grinds on limited supply and are moving higher. Harvest numbers will largely dictate the direction of this market



Dairy

Shell eggs are up. California – Shell eggs are up. The Cheese Block market is down. The Butter market is down. Cream remains readily available.



Grains / Oil

Soybean oil prices remained relatively firm but closed weaker by week's end. The market is balancing weak exports, policy ambiguity around biofuels, and cost competition from heating oil—while underlying support persists via biofuel demand and U.S.-China trade recovery.

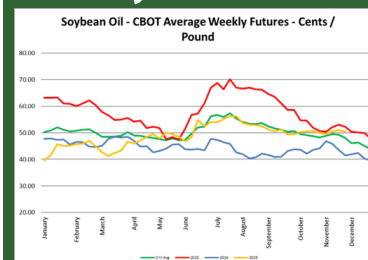


Seafood

Seafood markets remain firm across key categories as seasonal harvests, regulatory enforcement, and global tariffs continue to shape supply and pricing. Shrimp, crab, lobster, and scallops are experiencing tight availability. Cod, haddock, and pangasius are under pressure. Lakefish conditions are mixed.

Market HEADLINES

Soy Bean Oil



Beef

Last week saw the final week for Tyson's Lexington Beef facility as well as B shift in their Amarillo facility. We will see some adjustments to the kill for a few weeks as the industry adjusts to the loss of hours.

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Asparagus

Mexican volume as expected has increased with Peru volume steady. Markets have declined on both coasts. Mexican quality is good, Peruvian fair. Plenty of smalls on both coasts has that market much lower.

Avocado

Industry supply is improving thanks to strong harvests in Mexico, but prices remain firm due to high demand. January demand is expected to stay strong as shippers build inventory for upcoming promotions. Volume is peaking on medium to large fruit.

Bell Peppers

st – Strong volume on all color bell peppers. Market is higher from stronger demand. Quality is good to excellent. East-Green supplies tight, quality good, demand strong, market is increasing. Red and yellow pepper tight, quality good, demand good, market steady.

Broccoli

Market is higher as supplies tighten up from past rain and then heat and now colder mornings impacting quality and yields.

Cauliflower

Market is higher as supplies begin to tighten up from cooler weather. Quality is reported as good.

Cilantro/Parsley

Market on parsley mostly steady and cilantro is higher on lower production. Quality reported as good on parsley and poor to fair on cilantro.

Celery

The market remains active and elevated on limited supplies with demand remaining strong. Value added on the west coast is very tight and demand exceeds supplies. Quality is fair to good.

Grapes

Heavy supplies out of South America now on green and red. All varieties looking very strong. Market looks to hold steady for the next few weeks barring any issues on importing at the docks.

Citrus

Lemons- Supplies good, quality good, demand is good, and the market is steady to higher. District 3 main source of volume with good supplies across the board, crop peaking on 115/140/165.

Oranges- Supplies are tight, quality good, demand strong, and the market is increasing. Alert on small sizes to start the week, fields remain wet and harvesting is limited. Crop peaking on 88/72/56.

Limes- Supplies, quality, demand good, market steady. Weather continues to slow the growth and development of new crop in Mexico. As a result, sizing remains skewed toward larger 110/150/175s from remaining old crop while smaller sizes mainly new crop.

Lettuce Iceberg

Market is rising as supplies are expected to tighten up this week and into February. Quality is fair to good.

Lettuce Romaine

Market steady with moderate supplies on both romaine and hearts. Quality is good but recent rains has required more trimming outer leaves in the field.

Onions

Yellow & red supplies are good. Quality is good. The outlook is for good availability all season. Yellow demand is slightly better. Prices are steady on red & slightly better on yellow. White prices steady on limited availability.

Potatoes- Russets

Supplies remain good on all sizes across the board. Sizing is still running to the large side. The outlook is for good availability all season. Quality is good. Prices have stabilized on all sizes in Idaho.

Squash

West - Both green and yellow are showing active markets due to cooler weather impacting supply. Higher markets expected to hold through next week. East - Zucchini supplies tight, quality good, demand good, market steady to slightly higher; Yellow supply and market steady.

Tomatoes

The market has a stronger undertone, Roma, Grape and cherry markets are stronger on lighter supplies, and good demand. Eastern round markets remain steady. Weather continues to slow production both east and west.

PRODUCE MARKET *Updates*

Green Beans

West - Cooler weather impacting supply, good demand, varied quality. Market is slightly higher.

East - supplies tight, quality fair to good, demand strong and the market is higher.

Snap and Snow Peas

Steady demand and markets remain elevated as production is under budget the next few weeks due to early rains. Quality reported as fair for both.

Brussel Sprouts

Market remains elevated, with supplies slow to come on and sizing trending to the smaller sizes, with demand exceeding supplies on Jumbo.