

BIX Produce

Market Advisory



Week of February 4, 2018

Commodity	Quality	Market
Apples	●	●
Asparagus	●	●
Avocado	●	●
Bananas	●	●
Berries: Strawberries	●	●
Berries: Raspberries	●	●
Berries: Blackberries	●	●
Berries: Blueberries	●	●
Brussel Sprouts	●	●
Broccoli	●	●
Cauliflower	●	●
Carrots	●	●
Celery	●	●
Citrus: Lemons	●	●
Citrus: Limes	●	●
Citrus: Oranges	●	●
Grapes, Green	●	●
Grapes, Red	●	●
Lettuce (Head)	●	●
Romaine/Romaine Hearts	●	●
Tender Leaf <small>(Spring Mix, Spinach, Arugula, Baby Kale)</small>	●	●
Melons: Cantaloupe	●	●
Melons: Honeydew	●	●
Melons: Watermelon	●	●
Onions	●	●
Peppers	●	●
Pears	●	●
Potatoes	●	●
Squash	●	●
Tomatoes	●	●

● Good ● Fair ● Caution

Market Opportunities

Items with Good Quality and Market Value

Asparagus:

Mexican supplies are booming which has lowered prices. Supplies are great on all sizes and quality looks good.

Strawberries:

Supplies are very good right now coming in from both Florida and California. Quality reports are good in both areas as well. Berries are running on the large size in California and medium to large in Florida. Prices are steady to lower.

Cantaloupe:

We are currently into the peak season of Honduran fruit. Supplies are good on all sizes but look for better supplies on the larger sized fruit over the next couple weeks. The quality has been very nice.

Peppers:

Supplies are coming from Florida and Mexico. Steady supplies of green peppers are coming in from Mexico with good quality and no change in pricing. Red and Yellow supplies are getting much better and quality has been very nice.

Market Alerts

Items to Buy with Caution

Limes:

Due to recent rains in Mexico, supplies have been limited. Prices are higher and the quality could suffer a bit due to these recent rains.

Green Beans:

Although quality remains good, the supplies continue to be very tight coming from Mexico, and prices are steady to higher.

Lemons:

Central Valley crop is slowly picking up in some volume as the desert crop finishes up. The Ventura crop will start the end of February/early March. Supplies remain light, especially on the smaller sized fruit 165/200ct.

Onions:

Large yellow onions like Colossal and Super Colossal are coming up short in the sorting of onions and they will continue to be tight. White onions are still in tight supply and some shippers from the Northwest U.S. are already finished with White onions.



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Market Sightings



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Oroblanco

#3524 - 12-14 count

Origin: USA



Red & Green Cactus Pear

#3678 - 15 lbs.

Origin: USA



Pink Lemons

#99934 - 8 lbs.

Origin: USA



Manzano Chile

#6758 - 10 lbs.

Origin: Mexico



Passion Fruit

#3590 - 30/39 count

Origin:

USA/New Zealand



Mandarinquats

#3955 - 10 lbs.

Origin: USA

Call your BIX representative for current availability and pricing for these special order items

Place orders by Thursday for delivery the following Friday

Place orders by Monday for delivery the following Tuesday

Just in to BIX Produce!



Pazazz Apples

Available in 113 count
Item #1311

From our local apple supplier: Wescott/Honeybear from Elgin, MN

Taste/Texture:

Perfect balance of brix and starch; explosive crunch; very sweet with a subtle tart flavor (*similar to that of the Honeycrisp*)

Peak Season:

Harvested in fall for peak flavor balance through winter months

Appearance: The background color is a greenish yellow with a red brush stroke pattern overlay.



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