

Weekly Commodity Report

7/16/18

FRESH POULTRY



via Urner Barry (Wednesday Close)

Wings up slightly 5-7¢.
Tenders up slightly 2¢. Thighs are steady, cutlets down slightly.



FRESH EGGS



Fresh Eggs- via Urner Barry (Thursday Close)

Large down 2¢ per dozen.
Medium down 4¢.
Liquid eggs whites down \$1.



USDA WEIGHTED AVG



Market based on 5 day Moving Avg

Strips & ribs coming down.
Rounds are steady. Thin meats are starting to soften.



CHEESE PRICING



Cheese Pricing- (Market changes daily off Chicago Merchentile Exchange)

Cheese rising.
Block is up 2¢ per lb.
Barrel is down 17¢.



PORK MARKET



Loins and butts are steady.
Bacon up 12¢



BUTTER MARKET



Butter market is up 4¢ per lb.



SEAFOOD MARKET



Asian shrimp market is steady. Black tigers remain strong.
Crab meat continues to be strong.
Cod loins are stronger. All tuna up 10-25¢.



SALAD OIL & SHORTENING



Market changes daily off Chicago Merchentile Exchange

Oil market is down 5¢ per case.



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Market Alerts

STRAWBERRIES After the recent long stretch of abundant supplies and great pricing, the **Strawberry** crop is harvesting lower numbers than expected. Quality is good to fair, with smaller/unevenly sized fruit the most common issue reported. Pricing may be higher in certain markets. **Blueberries** may be a better berry option.

CUCUMBERS Pricing on **Super Select-grade Cucumbers** may be higher than normal due to light supplies. Be sure to use **Select-Grade** product wherever possible, for optimal quality and pricing.

TENDER LEAF LETTUCE Extreme heat in California's growing regions is beginning to affect quality on **Spinach, Arugula, and Spring Mix**. Withering and short shelf life are the most common issues being reported.

LEMONS Extreme heat in the western growing regions for citrus has caused a shortage of all sizes of **Lemons** that is expected to last for several weeks. Orders may be shorted or substituted with a different size or grade, pricing is much higher than normal, and quality is fair to poor. The best buy will be **115 CT** and **larger choice-grade** fruit, where available.

A Peek at Peak Seasons

Stone Fruit: California, Georgia and South Carolina are producing great Peaches, Nectarines and Plums.

Eastern Vegetables: Eggplant and Bell Peppers out of the Southeastern U.S. are all very nice quality and good pricing.

Blueberries: California and New Jersey are producing great quality berries.

Melons: Cantaloupe and Honeydew are very nice quality, with high sugar levels. Specialty melons such as Casaba, Galia and Juan Canary are also now in season.

Leaf Lettuce: Green Leaf, Red Leaf and Romaine Lettuce are plentiful, with great quality and low pricing. Great alternatives to Iceberg!

Summer Squash: California and most of the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic growing regions are producing very good quality Yellow and Zucchini Squash.

The local growing season for most of the U.S. is heating up. Be sure to ask your distributor for locally grown recommendations!

What's Happening

More offerings from Long Island farms every week!

- 98846 - Green Squash
- 98847 - Yellow Gold Bar Squash
- 97059 - Romaine Lettuce
- 97260 - Green Kale
- 99252 - Sunflower Yellow Tomato
- 99804 - Red Geronimo Tomato
- 99482 - Pink Burgundy Tomato

Summer Fruits for Summer days!

- 98450 - California Peaches
- 98475 - California Nectarines
- 98479 - Donut Peaches
- 99325 - California Apricots 2 Layer
- 99345 - California Red Plums
- 98500 - Black Plums

APPLES	Quality and pricing are good	CELERY	Quality is good, pricing is higher	LETTUCE LEAF	Quality and pricing are good
ASPARAGUS	Quality is good, pricing is higher	CITRUS (LEMONS)	Quality is fair, pricing may be much higher, supplies are limited	LETTUCE TENDER LEAF	Quality and pricing are good
AVOCADO	Quality and pricing are good	CITRUS (LIMES)	Quality and pricing are good	MELON (CANTALOUPE)	Quality and pricing are good
BELL PEPPERS	Quality is good, pricing is higher on Red and Yellow	CITRUS (ORANGES)	Quality is good, pricing is slightly higher on smaller sizes	MELON (HONEYDEW)	Quality and pricing are good
BERRIES (BLACKBERRIES)	Quality is good, pricing is higher	CUCUMBERS	Quality is good to fair, pricing is higher on Super Select grade	MELON (WATERMELON)	Quality and pricing are good
BERRIES (BLUEBERRIES)	Quality and pricing are good	EGGPLANT	Quality is good to fair, pricing is higher on Western product	ONIONS	Quality and pricing are good
BERRIES (RASPBERRIES)	Quality is good, pricing may be higher	GARLIC	Quality is fair, pricing is higher	PEARS	Quality and pricing are good
BERRIES (STRAWBERRIES)	Quality is good to fair, pricing may be higher	GRAPES (GREEN)	Quality and pricing are good	PINEAPPLES	Quality and pricing are good
BROCCOLI	Quality and pricing are good	GRAPES (RED)	Quality and pricing are good	POTATOES	Quality is good, pricing is higher: 90 CT and smaller sizes are the best value.
BRUSSELS SPROUTS	Quality is fair, pricing is higher	GREEN ONIONS	Quality and pricing are good	POTATOES (COLORED)	Quality and pricing are good
CARROTS	Quality and pricing are good	KALE	Quality and pricing are good	SQUASH	Quality and pricing are good
CAULIFLOWER	Quality and pricing are good	LETTUCE ICEBERG	Quality is good, pricing is higher	TOMATOES	Quality and pricing are good