



# Specialty Crops Market News Division

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### Seasonal Perishable Products Weekly Update

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This report provides trend analysis of the volume and prices of Seasonal Perishable commodities. Volume represents the current week, and prices represent open (spot) market sales by first handlers on products of generally good quality and condition unless otherwise stated and may include promotional allowances or other incentives. The charts provide graphic representation of the volume and prices of the major commodities this week based on seasonal volume.

**Agricultural Weather Outlook**, provided by Brad Rippey, Agricultural Meteorologist, USDA/OCE/WAOB September 24, 2025: Rainfall will continue to shift southward and eastward, resulting in a boost in soil moisture in many areas experiencing short-term drought. Five-day rainfall should reach 1 to 3 inches or more across much of the eastern U.S., as well as portions of the Gulf Coast States. Once rain ends across the Plains and Midwest, dry weather will prevail for the remainder of the week. Dry weather will extend into the Northwest until late in the weekend, when showers will arrive along the northern Pacific Coast. Elsewhere, a late-season monsoon surge will result in unusually heavy showers for this time of year in parts of the Southwest, leading to another round of possible flash flooding. The NWS 6- to 10-day outlook for September 29 – October 3 calls for near- or above-normal temperatures nationwide, with the north-central U.S. having the greatest likelihood of experiencing warmer-than-normal weather. Meanwhile, near- or above-normal precipitation across most of the country should contrast with drier-than-normal weather in a band stretching from the southeastern Plains into the Great Lakes region and northern New England, including the middle Mississippi Valley.

**Asparagus** movement from Mexico crossings through Arizona, California and Texas is expected to remain about the same. Trading early was slow, late is fairly slow. Prices of large are lower, others are generally unchanged. 11-pound cartons/crates of bunched green large are mostly 24.75, and standard are mostly 26.75-27.75. Extra services are included. Prices represent a few spot market sales as many sales are booked at previously committed prices. Movement from Peru imported through Southern California ports of entry is expected to decrease. Trading is fairly slow. Prices of large are slightly lower, small are generally unchanged, others are lower. 11-pound cartons of bunched green jumbo are mostly 38.75-40.75, extra-large are 34.50- 36.75, large are 28.75-31.75, standard are mostly 25.75, and small are 22.75-24.75.

**Avocado** movement from Mexico crossings through Texas is expected to remain about the same. Trading early was moderate, late is fairly slow. Prices of conventional 40s and 60s are generally unchanged, others are lower. Hass cartons 2-layer 32s are mostly 46.25-48.25, 36s are 36.25-37.25, 40s are mostly 26.25-28.25, 48s are mostly 23.25-24.25, 60s are mostly 22.25-24.25, 70s are mostly 22.25-23.25, and 84s are mostly 22.25-23.25; organic 48s are 38.25-40.25, 60s are 37.25-40.25, 70s are mostly 35.25-38.25. Extra services are included. Movement from South District, California is expected to decrease seasonally. Trading early was moderate, late is fairly slow. Prices of 32s are generally unchanged, others are lower. Hass cartons 2-layer 32s are mostly 46.25-48.25, 36s are mostly 40.25-42.25, 40s are mostly 35.25-36.25, 48s are mostly 35.25-36.25, 60s are mostly 30.25-32.25, 70s are mostly 27.25-30.25, and 84s are 26.25-27.25. Extra services are included.

**Blueberry** movement from Peru imports, mostly via boat, through Miami, Philadelphia and New York area ports of entry is expected to increase as the season progresses. There are too few spot market sales to establish a market as most present shipments from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. Quality is generally good. Movement from Chile imports, mostly via boat, through Philadelphia area port of entry is expected to increase as the season progresses. Supplies are in too few hands to establish a market. The first F.O.B. report is expected to be issued the week of

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September 28. Movement from Mexico crossings through Arizona, California and Texas is expected to increase seasonally. Supplies are insufficient and in too few hands to establish a market. Quality is variable. The first F.O.B. report is expected to be issued the week of October 5. Movement from Michigan is expected to decrease as the season comes to an end. Current supplies are in too few hands to establish a market.

**Cucumber** movement from Mexico crossings through Texas is expected to decrease slightly. Trading early was moderate, late is fairly slow. Prices are much lower. 1 1/9-bushel cartons medium are mostly 12.95-14.95, fair quality are mostly 7.95-8.95, ordinary quality are mostly 6.95-8.95; large are mostly 14.95-15.95. Quality and condition are variable. Many present shipments are from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. Movement from Mexico crossings through Otay Mesa, California is expected to increase. Trading early was moderate, late is fairly slow. Prices are much lower. 1 1/9-bushel cartons of medium are 14.00-17.00, fair quality are 10.00-12.00, ordinary quality are mostly 7.00-8.00; large are mostly 15.00-16.00. Cartons 24s are 6.00-8.00, 36s are 7.00-9.00. Quality is variable. Many present shipments are from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. Movement from Mexico crossings through Nogales, Arizona is expected to increase seasonally as more shippers get fully under way. Current supplies are insufficient and in too few hands to establish a market. Quality is generally good. The first F.O.B. report is expected to be issued the week of October 12. Movement from Michigan is expected to decrease seasonally. Trading is fairly slow. Prices are lower. 1 1/9-bushel cartons medium are mostly 16.00, fair quality are mostly 8.00-10. Cartons 24s are 8.00-9.00. Movement from Western and Central New York is expected to remain about the same. Supplies are in too few hands to establish a market. Movement from South Georgia is expected to increase seasonally. Trading is moderate. Prices include palletizing and precooling. Prices of waxed 1 1/9-bushel cartons medium are mostly 10.35, fair quality are mostly 8.35. Cartons 24s are 5.35-6.35. Quality generally good.

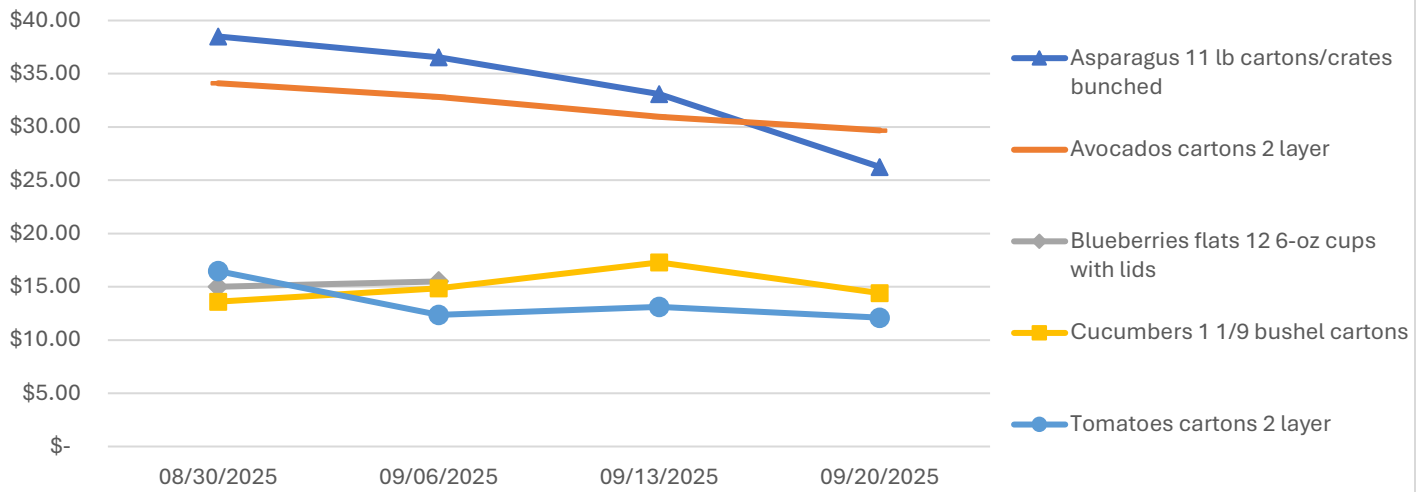
**Tomato** movement from Mexico crossings through Texas is expected to decrease slightly. Trading early was moderate, late is fairly slow. Prices are slightly lower. Vine Ripes cartons 2-layer 4x4-4x5s are mostly 10.95-11.95, and 5x5-5x6s are mostly 9.95-10.95; 25-pound cartons loose 4x4-4x5 sizes are mostly 11.95-12.95, and 5x5-5x6 sizes are mostly 10.95-11.95. Quality is generally good. Movement from Central District, California is expected to increase slightly. Trading early was moderate, late is very slow. Prices of large are lower, others are much lower. 25- pound cartons loose Mature Greens extra-large are 10.35-11.35, large are mostly 11.35-12.35, and medium are 8.35-9.35. Quality is generally good. Many present shipments are from prior bookings and/or previous commitments. Movement from Mexico crossings through Otay Mesa, California is expected to decrease slightly. Trading early was moderate, late is fairly slow. Prices are slightly lower. Vine Ripes cartons 2-layer 4x4-4x5s are mostly 12.00-13.00, and 5x5-5x6s are mostly 11.00. Quality is generally good. Harvest in North Florida and South Georgia is expected to start by October 15, with the first F.O.B. report expected to be issued the week of October 19.

The following table provides a four-week price trend of the highest traded commodities this week.

**Four-Week Price Trend in U.S. Dollars**

| commodity   | package                       | 08/30/2025 | 09/06/2025 | 09/13/2025 | 09/20/2025 |
|-------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Asparagus   | 11 lb. cartons/crates bunched | \$ 38.50   | \$ 36.55   | \$ 33.08   | \$ 26.25   |
| Avocados    | cartons 2 layer               | \$ 34.11   | \$ 32.82   | \$ 30.96   | \$ 29.68   |
| Blueberries | flats 12 6-oz cups with lids  | \$ 15.00   | \$ 15.50   | *NA        | *NA        |
| Cucumbers   | 1 1/9-bushel cartons          | \$ 13.60   | \$ 14.85   | \$ 17.29   | \$ 14.41   |
| Tomatoes    | cartons 2 layer               | \$ 16.47   | \$ 12.35   | \$ 13.10   | \$ 12.10   |

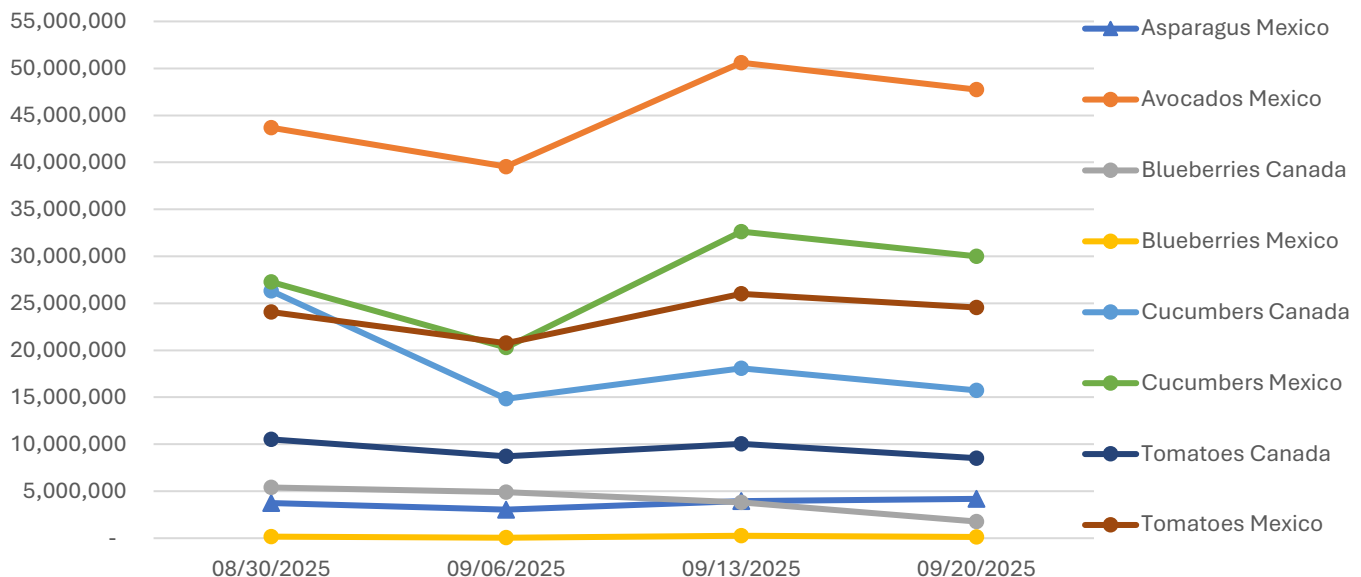
## USMCA: COMMODITY PRICE TRENDS



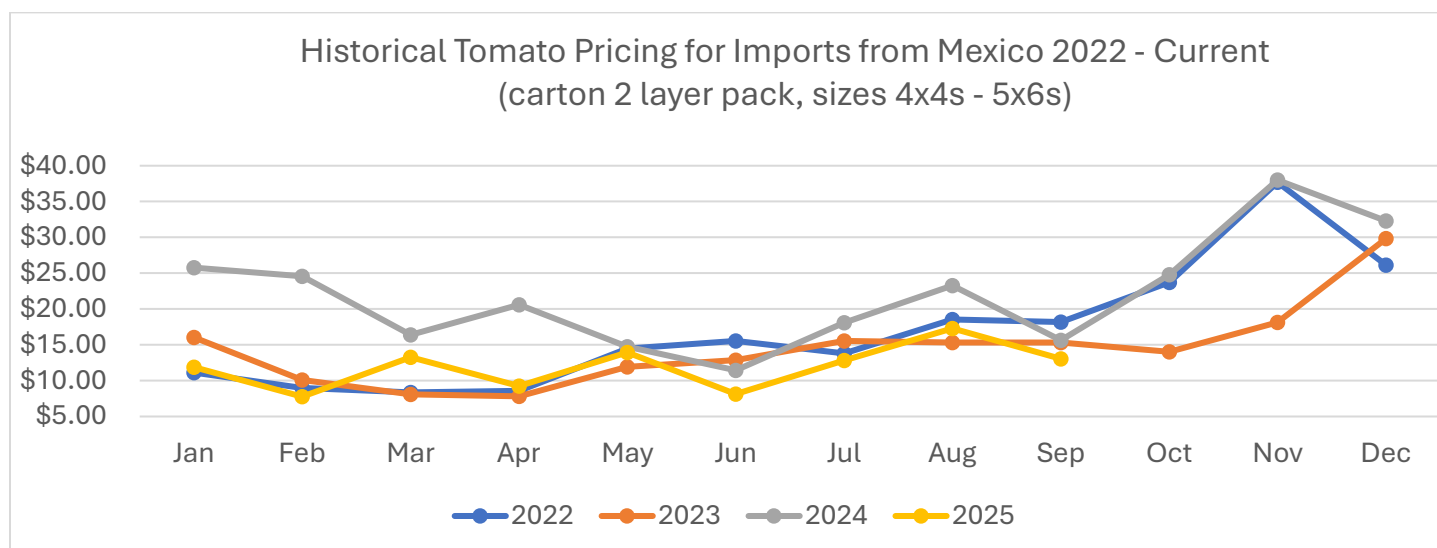
## Four-Week Movement in Pounds

| commodity   | origin | 08/30/2025 | 09/06/2025 | 09/13/2025 | 09/20/2025 |
|-------------|--------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Asparagus   | Mexico | 3,731,037  | 3,040,511  | 3,951,788  | 4,186,163  |
| Avocados    | Mexico | 43,697,450 | 39,552,417 | 50,606,265 | 47,758,979 |
| Blueberries | Canada | 5,396,896  | 4,888,673  | 3,821,320  | 1,774,511  |
|             | Mexico | 181,427    | 50,298     | 259,192    | 148,995    |
| Cucumbers   | Canada | 26,323,623 | 14,835,048 | 18,076,142 | 15,744,759 |
|             | Mexico | 27,288,483 | 20,290,563 | 32,632,150 | 29,989,327 |
| Tomatoes    | Canada | 10,515,256 | 8,710,119  | 10,046,348 | 8,516,732  |
|             | Mexico | 24,078,554 | 20,753,982 | 26,003,874 | 24,556,784 |

## USMCA: COMMODITY MOVEMENT TRENDS



The following chart, *Historical Tomato Pricing for Imports from Mexico*, is a four-year view of Mexican tomato prices at shipping point. Tomatoes are shown as they are the most consistently traded year-round. They have the highest volume of product moving between the U.S., Mexico, and Canada, along with a high level of market coverage of tomatoes by USDA Market News.



To be regarded as "seasonal and perishable," agricultural products must meet the following conditions: (1) the products are fresh or chilled products falling under the following HS2002 tariff codes: 0701, 0702, 0703, 0704, 0705, 0706, 0707, 0708, 0709, 0803, 0804, 0805, 0806, 0807, 0808, 0809, 0810; (2) the products are marketed in raw form for consumption without "further processing" ("further processing" refers to e.g. crushing, juicing, canning, or any other process that transforms the product from its raw form); and (3) the products normally are marketed within eight weeks after harvesting.

For information on the remaining Seasonal and Perishable commodities listed below please visit:

- Movement <https://mymarketnews.ams.usda.gov/general-resources/Specialty-Crops>
- Prices <https://mymarketnews.ams.usda.gov/general-resources/Specialty-Crops>
- Potatoes
- Tomatoes
- Onions, shallots, garlic, leeks, and other alliacious vegetables
- Cabbages, cauliflower, kohlrabi, kale, and similar edible brassicas
- Lettuce (*Lactuca sativa*) and chicory (*Cichorium* spp.)
- Carrots, turnips, salad beets (salad beetroot), salsify, celeriac, radishes, and similar edible roots
- Cucumbers, including gherkins
- Leguminous vegetables, shelled or unshelled
- Other vegetables, fresh or chilled: asparagus, eggplants, celery, mushrooms and truffles, peppers (*Capsicum* or of the genus *Pimenta*), spinach, artichokes, olives, pumpkins, squash, and gourds
- Bananas and plantains
- Dates, figs, pineapples, avocados, guavas, mangoes, and mangosteens
- Citrus fruit
- Grapes
- Melons (including watermelons) and papayas (papaws)
- Apples, pears, and quinces
- Apricots, cherries, peaches (including nectarines), plums (including prune plums) and sloes
- Other fruits: strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, mulberries, loganberries, black, white, or red currants and gooseberries (other than kiwifruit), cranberries, blueberries, and other fruits of the genus *Vaccinium*, kiwifruit, durians, persimmons
- Other berries; tamarinds

\*Not Available