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## Market Alerts

**Mexican Tariff Update** – The situation with Mexican imports and potential tariffs continues to be very fluid. Currently a 5% tariff is scheduled to commence on June 10th, affecting all products imported to the U.S. from Mexico, including fresh produce. This is in addition to the recent 17.56% tariff being imposed on Mexican tomatoes.

The true impact to cost and availability of those products is very much unknown. It is possible that at least a portion of these tariff impacts could be passed along to consumers at some point. As of now, markets haven't reacted significantly to the news, and government negotiations are ongoing.

Please continue to read **The Source Plus** for up-to-date news and product recommendations.

**Celery** – Very light harvests out of Mexico and Central California continue to keep pricing high. Quality is fair, with abnormally leafy tops and seeder reported. The situation is expected to continue through the month of June. Avoid use where possible.

**Avocados** – Supplies continue to be light, particularly out of California, and expect to remain so into June. Pricing is higher than normal, and quality is fair. 48 CT and larger sizes are the best value.

**Eggplant** – Quality has been fair on the spring harvest out of Georgia and Florida, with light supplies and slightly higher pricing. Western product is also light, with pricing slightly higher than normal, and good quality. **Choice-grade product** is the best value.

**Cucumbers** – Select- and Super Select-grade Cucumbers are in a short supply gap, due to field transition and import delays in Mexico. Pricing is higher than normal, with good quality reported.

## A Peek at Peak Seasons

**Pineapples** – Quality is excellent out of all Central American growing regions, with high sugar levels reported.

**Stone Fruit** – California Peaches, Nectarines, Apricots and Plums are all available – ask your distributor for recommendations!

**Kale** – Quality is very nice, with full bunches and vibrant color reported.

**Squash** – Quality and pricing are great on Zucchini.

**Potatoes** – Smaller-sized Idaho baking potatoes are less expensive than larger ones. 80 CT and smaller are the best values.

**Asparagus** – Mexico and Peru are harvesting excellent quality in all sizes.

**Watermelon** – The Mexican and Southwestern U.S. harvest is yielding great quality with high sugar levels.

**Specialty Melons** – Juan Canary, Casaba and Crenshaw melons are starting to be harvested. Ask your distributor for availability.

## Weather Update

**California:** Cooler temperatures early in the week, warming later with marine layer (foggy) conditions along the Central coast.

**Mexico:** Seasonably warm and dry conditions across most of the growing regions.

**Southeastern U.S.:** –Very warm temperatures with widespread showers and thunderstorms.



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# Commodities at a Glance

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|  APPLES                  | Quality is good, 125 CT and smaller sizes will be less available through the summer |  CELERY            | Quality is fair, pricing is very high, avoid use if possible |  LETTUCE LEAF         | Quality and pricing are good                       |
|  ASPARAGUS               | Quality and pricing are good  |  CITRUS (LEMONS)   | Quality and pricing are good                                 |  LETTUCE TENDER LEAF  | Quality and pricing are good                       |
|  AVOCADO                 | Quality is fair, pricing is high, fully ripened product less available              |  CITRUS (LIMES)    | Quality and pricing are good                                 |  MELON (CANTALOUPE)   | Quality and pricing are good                       |
|  BELL PEPPERS            | Quality and pricing are good  |  CITRUS (ORANGES)  | Quality and pricing are good                                 |  MELON (HONEYDEW)     | Quality and pricing are good                       |
|  BERRIES (BLACKBERRIES)  | Quality and pricing are good  |  CUCUMBERS         | Quality is good, pricing is higher on Western product        |  MELON (WATERMELON)   | Quality and pricing are good                       |
|  BERRIES (BLUEBERRIES)   | Quality and pricing are good  |  EGGPLANT          | Quality is good fair, pricing is higher on Western product   |  ONIONS               | Quality and pricing are good                       |
|  BERRIES (RASPBERRIES)   | Quality and pricing are good  |  GARLIC            | Quality is fair, pricing is higher                           |  PEARS                | Quality and pricing are good                       |
|  BERRIES (STRAWBERRIES) | Quality is good, pricing may be higher  |  GRAPES (GREEN)    | Quality is good, pricing is slightly higher                  |  PINEAPPLES           | Quality and pricing are good                       |
|  BROCCOLI              | Quality and pricing are good  |  GRAPES (RED)    | Quality is good, pricing is slightly higher                  |  POTATOES           | Quality is good, pricing is higher on larger sizes |
|  BRUSSELS SPROUTS      | Quality is improving, pricing is fair   |  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 and pricing are good                                 |  TOMATOES           | Quality and pricing are good                       |

