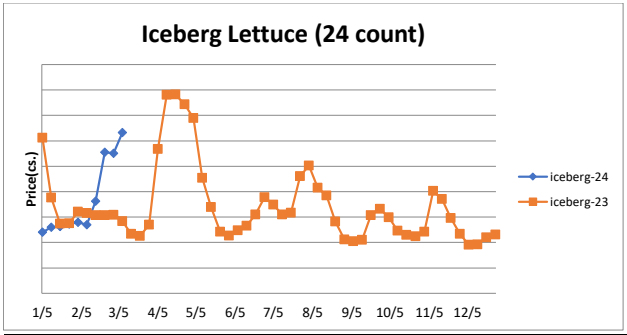

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March 18, 2024

Produce

The main produce items were all pretty stable last week with lettuce the only big mover. After stopping for a breather in the week prior, 24-count iceberg continued to climb in the latest set of prices. The one-week pause was pretty odd as far as Q1/Q2 lettuce price spikes go, but regardless, the market is back on the front foot now and will likely continue to climb for another one or two weeks before turning back lower in earnest. 48-count hass avocados continued to surprise, remaining level w/w at a time when they're usually climbing into yearly highs between April and June. We still expect to see some strength over the next month or so, but these past two weeks have certainly given us pause. 50 lb. yellow onions were also steady, but we're still looking for a downturn to start in the next week or two. 25 lb. large roma tomatoes were level w/w as well, but late March to early April is usually when romas are at their cheapest for the year, so we're expecting to see some weakness over the coming weeks. Price bases noted below.

Description	Market Trend	Supplies	Price vs. Last Year
Limes (150 ct)	Steady	Steady	Lower
Lemons (95 ct)	Decreasing	Steady	Lower
Lemons (200 ct)	Increasing	Steady-Available	Higher
Honeydew (6 ct)	Decreasing	Steady	Lower
Cantaloupe (15 ct)	Decreasing	Available	Higher
Blueberries (12 ct)	Decreasing	Steady	Higher
Strawberries (12 pnt)	Decreasing	Short	Lower
Avocados (Hass 48 ct)	Steady	Steady-Available	Higher
Bananas (40 lb) Term	Increasing	Steady	Lower
Pineapple (7 ct) Term	Steady	Available	Lower
Idaho Potato (60 ct 50 lb)	Steady	Available	Lower
Idaho Potato (70 ct 50 lb)	Steady	Available	Lower
Idaho Potato (70 ct) Term	Decreasing	Available	Lower
Idaho Potato (90 ct 50 lb)	Steady	Available	Lower
Idaho Potato #2 (6 oz 100 lb)	Steady	Available	Lower
Processing Potato (cwt)	Increasing	Available	Lower
Yellow Onions (50 lb)	Steady	Short	Higher
Yellow Onions (50 lb) Term	Increasing	Steady-Available	Higher
Red Onions (25 lb) Term	Increasing	Steady	Higher
White Onions (50 lb) Term	Steady	Short	Higher
Tomatoes (lg case)	Decreasing	Steady	Higher
Tomatoes (5x6 lb) Term	Steady	Short	Higher
Tomatoes (4x5 vine ripe)	Decreasing	Steady	Higher
Roma Tomatoes (lg case)	Steady	Steady-Available	Higher
Roma Tomatoes (xlg case)	Increasing	Steady	Higher
Green Peppers (lg case)	Increasing	Steady	Lower
Red Peppers (lg 15 lb case)	Steady	Short	Higher
Iceberg Lettuce (24 ct)	Increasing	Steady-Available	Higher
Iceberg Lettuce (24 ct) Term	Steady	Steady	Higher
Leaf Lettuce (24 ct)	Increasing	Steady	Higher
Romaine Lettuce (24 ct)	Increasing	Steady-Available	Higher
Mesculin Mix (3 lb) Term	Steady	Steady-Short	Lower
Broccoli (14 ct)	Increasing	Steady-Available	Lower
Squash (1/2 bushel)	Steady	Steady	Steady
Zucchini (1/2 bushel)	Steady	Available	Lower
Green Beans (bushel)	Decreasing	Steady	Higher
Spinach (flat 24)	Steady	Steady-Available	Lower
Mushrooms (10 lb lg) Term	Increasing	Short	Higher
Cucumbers (bushel)	Increasing	Steady	Higher
Pickles (200-300 ct) Term	Steady	Steady	Lower
Asparagus (sm)	Steady	Steady	Lower
Freight (truck CA-Cty Av)	Increasing	Steady-Short	Lower