

FRESH LINK MARKET REPORTS

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Bell Peppers-

The bell pepper market is slipping and is now down to single digit pricing on the off grade items. There is abundant supply and the quality has been excellent. Some growers will actually start picking in Georgia mid next week which will bring on even more supply. With little rain or wind in the forecast for the next several days, we anticipate a steady market with greater availability in the crown pickings due to the newer crops farther north.

Cucumbers –

Florida growers are winding down their cucumber deals which has strengthened the market a bit. We should see declining supply but good quality on the new crop Georgia product. Expect markets to be firm for the next several weeks.

Eggplant –

Eggplant has come on quickly in the central Florida growing regions. The Plant City area has one of the bigger and better eggplant deals in the southeast so we can expect ample volume and excellent quality through the remainder of the Florida Spring season, as long as the weather cooperates.

Squash-

The squash market has slipped down to just above the floor. With Nogales, Florida and Georgia all going strong simultaneously, this is where the market is expected to stay for the next several days. Quality will continue to be excellent as the weather appears to be cooperating for the next 7-10 days.

Corn-

Florida corn pricing has remained steady. With no floor this Spring, growers have struggled on where to fall on price. There is a tremendous amount of corn available right now, yet the market cannot quite move off of \$10-\$12. Georgia is expected to start their corn mid May.

