MARKET UPDATES

Week of October 26, 2026

Seafood

Weekly Oyster Profit-Maker

- **Wellfleet Oysters:** 3-3.5" 100ct (#NW814)
- Available for deliveries all week long.
- Source: Massachusetts
- Priced aggressively! Perfect for weekly specials.

Seasonal Seafood Spotlight

- This week's seasonal spotlight items are:
- Market Fresh Cod 12 - 16 Oz 10 Lb Cs (#WB692)
- Source: Iceland
- Available for deliveries 10/29 - 10/31.
- Whole Snapper 1 - 2 Lb Ea (#NW880)
- Source: Varies
- Available for deliveries all week long.
- Advance notice is appreciated to ensure we pull enough inventory to meet demand.

View the full Seasonal, Fresh, Specialty Seafood list, including our Oyster List, here: https://blackriverproduce.com/resources/updates/#regional-seafood

Chilean Seabass

- Frozen Chilean Seabass fillet (#WA666), now in stock

Halibut

- Slight price increase expected.

Swordfish

- Price holding firm.

Wild Coho Salmon

- Reminder: Season is coming to an end. Supplies will be sporadic and code has been moved to late line.

Artic Charr Fillets

- For the first time in 5 years the price of Char will have a slight price increase. Increase is due to the dramatic increase in the cost of fishmeal over the past few months.

Specialty Grocery

Roland Foods New Items

Pickled Vegetable Skewers 3/6.5lb (#BJM72)

- Gherkins, Cocktail Onions, Green Olives, Guindilla Pepper, Red Bell Peppers on one skewer in brine.
- Makes a cool bar garnish, charcuterie board addition, sandwich topper.
- Also available as split case #BJM73 1/6.5lb

Reminding new Items from Roland Foods have landed.

- Tamari GF Soy Sauce 4/4.48lb (#PN248)
  Gluten Free, Naturally Brewed, Clean Label
- Premium Soy Sauce 4/4.48lb (#PN256)
  Naturally Brewed, Clean Label
- Roasted Garlic Confit 4/8.76lb (#ANC22) (lands in Nov.)
- Black Garlic Paste 2/38.8oz (#KDA22) (lands in Nov.)
- Split case codes will follow.

Meat

Misty Knoll

- Price increase effective October 26..

Thanskgiving Turkeys

- Pre-orders for Vermont-grown turkeys from Misty Knoll, Stonewood Farm and Adams Turkey Farm are due November, 9.
- And, save time and labor with delicious Vermont-made Olivia's Stuffing mix.
- Contact your BRP associate for prcing and fill out your pre-order form linked here. Available while supplies last.
- https://blackriverproduce.com/products/meat-poultry/

Cheese & Dairy

Jasper Hill Farm

- Fall release of Withersbrook Blue, 2/4lb (#AGV70) now in stock.
- Winnimere 5/13oz (#GR472) Winter release will be in stock the week of November 9.

High Lawn Farm

- Egg Nog is now in stock
- 25/16oz (#GJ676)
- 9/ ½ gal (#GJ674)
- 3/ ½ gal (#GJ675)

Vermont Farmstead

- New items from VTF are now in stock
- Smoked Brie 6/6.5oz, (#BRM22)
- Hot Honey Cheddar 12/7oz (#BRM20)
- Vermont Farmstead has also recently gone through a brand refresh. New packaging, a few updated names, same great cheeses are currently being rolled out.
- Code descriptions are in the process of being updated.

New / Reactivated Codes

#BRM22	Smoked Brie	6/6.5 oz	Vermont Farmstead	New item.
#BRM20	Hot Honey Cheddar	12/7 oz	Vermont Farmstead	New item.
#TAG64	Hummus Eggplant Garlic Org	6/12 Oz	Yalla	New item.
#BRB20	Hummus Plain Org w/ Olive	6/12 Oz	Yalla	New item.
#BPP92	Bread Pita Frozen	12/19.5	Yalla	New item.
#BPV96	Hummus Skhug Organic	6/12 Oz	Yalla	New item.
#BRH44	Hummus Plain Organic Bulk	4/32 Oz	Yalla	New item.
#BRH34	Tzatziki Sauce	6/10.5Oz	Yalla	New item.
#BRB24	Tahini Organic Sesame Paste	12/17.60	Yalla	New item.
#BRA06	Hummus Plain Organic	6/12 Oz	Yalla	New item.
#ANC22	Roasted Garlic Confit	4/8.76lb	Roland Foods	New Labor Saver! Due early November.
#BJM72	Pickled Vegetable Skewers	3/6.5lb	Roland Foods	New Labor Saver!
#KDA22	Black Garliallac Paste	2/38.8oz	Roland Foods	New Labor Saver! Due early November.
#PN248	Tamari GF Soy Sauce	4/4.48lb	Roland Foods	New! GF, Naturally Brewed, Clean Label
#PN256	Premium Soy Sauce	4/4.48lb	Roland Foods	New! Naturally Brewed, Clean Label

Produce

Asparagus

- Supplies had been improving from Mexico and Peru; however, production is expected to decline moving forward.
- Peruvian volumes are projected to decrease by nearly 30% next week and continue trending downward through January, while Mexican production remains below expectations.
- Supplies are expected to remain extremely tight through the end of the year, with limited availability across most sizes.
- Pricing will likely remain significantly higher than normal as production declines and holiday demand increases.

Blackberries CV/OG

- Conventional supplies remain steady.
- Organic supplies are tightening.
- Quality is generally good, though some soft and leaking fruit has been reported.
- Additional Mexican production is helping offset declining California supplies, although OG will remain constrained.

Blueberries CV/OG

- Peru remains the primary source.
- Supplies are stable but slightly below expectations. Quality remains excellent in both CV and OG programs.

Broccoli CV/OG

- Quality is good and supplies have improved.
- Browning, pin rot, and insect pressure continue to be reported.

Broccolini

- Quality is good.
- Growers are holding to average order volumes, and we will continue to monitor this item due to ongoing heavy insect pressure.

Brussels Sprouts

- Quality is good.
- Supplies have improved but remain limited.

Cauliflower CV/OG
- Quality is good.
- Supplies have improved.
- Insect pressure continues to affect yields.

Celery CV/OG
- Quality and supplies are good.
- Organic Celery remains at the extreme level.

Corn
- Local corn season is nearly complete.
- Transition back to 48-count crate corn is underway.

English Cucumbers
- Steady supply and softer markets are putting downward pressure on the spot market this week out of Mexico and Canada.
- Quality is good.

Fennel
- Quality and supplies have improved.

Fresh Origins
- Limited availability continues on selected flowers and microgreens.
- Shortages are expected until production recovers.t

Grapes
- California production is winding down (70% complete).
- Quality remains excellent: good size, little shatter, hgh Brix.
- Season remains ahead of schedule, creating potential supply concerns later in the season.

Green Beans
- Supplies remain light on both coasts.
- Markets continue to firm.
- French beans remain extremely tight as demand increases due to the challengesoccuring in asparagus adn brocolli.
- Elevated pricing and limited availability are expected
- through the holiday season.

Lettuce
- Iceberg Lettuce, **EXTREME**.
- Supplies remain extremely limited with rising markets. Smaller sizes, lighter weights, disease pressure, and insect activity continue to impact quality and availability.
- Romaine & Romaine Hearts, **EXTREME**.
- Supplies and quality remain fair with ongoing issues related to light weights, burn, insect pressure, and soil defects.

Lettuce, Little Leaf Farms
- Supply conditions have improved and normal best-of-class service levels have resumed.

Limes
- Supplies remain heavily weighted toward 200-count and smaller fruit. Larger sizes remain limited.

Melons
- California cantaloupe and honeydew production continues through at least next week, although Virus pressure may shorten the season.

Mushrooms OG
- Supplies remain limited and shortages are expected.
- Heat driven compost production challenges continue to impact yields. Too much heat kills growing nutrients.

Onions
- Transition to Northwest production is complete.
- Demand continues to exceed supply elevating pricing.
- Colossal and super colossal sizes remain limited due to wild fire smoke.

Peppers, Chili Peppers
- Supplies of Poblano, Thai Chili, and Serrano peppers remain light.
- Red Fresno peppers are particularly limited and priced well above normal levels.

Potatoes
- New crop harvest is underway.
- Large-size potatoes (40-70 count) expected to remain limited throughout the season due to less acreage, water issues and high nightime temps.
- Smaller sizes (80-120 count) have better availability.
- Markets remain strong, particularly for larger potatoes.

Raspberries
- Supplies from Mexico remain steady and Texas coming on board, but hurricane impacts have reduced volumes.
- Quality is fair to good.
- Shelf life may be reduced on some lots.
- Tighter supplies and upward pricing pressure are expected.

Scallions
- Quality is fair with insect damage and smaller sizing reported.
- Supplies remain limited but continue to improve.

Snow Peas / Sugar Snap Peas
- Guatamala supplies remain extremely limited.
- Markets remain active due to ongoing supply constraints.
- Domestic availability constrained by weather challenges and field trasitions.

Spinach
- Quality is good. Supplies remain limited.
- Increased insect pressure will impact yields.

Strawberries
- **ESCALATED,** Supplies continue to tighten even further following recent rainfall.
- Quality concerns include shorter shelf life, bruising, softness, premature breakdown, and lighter color.
- Availability is expected to remain very tight through December.

Sweet Potatoes
- New crop harvest is underway and has begun the 3-4 week curing process before shipment.
- Limited old-crop supplies remain available driving prices on all sizes.
- Demand remains strong and markets continue to firm.
- Quality on remaining old-crop inventory ranges from fair to poor.

Produce continued

Tomatoes

- Round tomato supplies are expected to remain tight for the next three weeks with some shortages . Snacking tomatoes remain very tight.

Seasonal Specialty Produce

- The following seasonal items are available during October while season lasts:

#EP914	Baby Fennel
#A6306	Baby Beets Red
#WA882	Baby Beets Gold
#GN890	Baby Turnips
#57188	Baby Rainbow Carrots- 5lb w/top
#H0834	Bulk Rainbow Carrots- 25lb
#WC382	Black Mission Figs
#GK348	Escarole
#EK170	Celery Root
#EK054	Frisee
#78044	Belgian Endive
#EK308	Candy Cane Beets
#EK312	Gold Beets
#GK282	Radicchio

Seasonal Specialty Produce

- Seasonal inventory available for November/December.

Pomegranates, 30 ct, (#GH324)
Asian Pears, 10 lb, (#EJ978)
Fuyu Persimmons, 44 ct, (#GR340)
Escarole, 16 ct, (#GK247)

#WC382 Black Mission Figs