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**Summary :**

-  The tomatoes market should give us better volume and lower prices
-  XXL and jumbo peppers are available on the market presently
-  English cucumbers from Leamington in Ontario
-  Red onions from Oregon at high price
-  Transport cost remain high
-  A new agreement signed between Mexico and the United States

**Information on the products**

**The tomatoes**

With the recent temperatures experienced in Mexico and Florida, that is to say, rain and cold, the tomato market was quite high in March. The first two weeks of April should give us better volumes and lower and stable prices in these two regions. Thereafter, we expect a price increase for the last two weeks of April due to a decline in available volume.





## The peppers

Most of pepper growers in Florida are starting new fields. They currently have large peppers (XX large and jumbo). That's what we call the 'crown pick'. The prices for this product from the east coast are higher due to less volume in Mexico.

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## The cucumbers

English cucumbers come mostly from Leamington in Ontario. The days get longer, the amount of sunshine every day is more important and the temperatures become warmer. Those conditions help favorably to productions as well as crops.



## The onions

Regions of Washington, Texas and Mexico don't have many red jumbo onions available. Utah finished its reserve storage. Our onions come from Oregon and we believe that the market will remain closed until they start new crops in California, either more or less than 7 weeks.



## Transport

The transport situation persists because of the gasoline cost that continues to rise. In addition, our dollar is a little weaker. For all of those reasons, the transportation cost remain high.



## Our mission

Our company is specialized in food safety. Our mission is to offer our institutional and retail customers fresh, washed and ready-to-eat fruits and vegetables. We also suggest programs adapted to our clients' needs, including closely related products. We focus on Canadian markets and territories of the North-eastern United States. Conscious of current realities, we emphasize the use of ecological products at every level of our operations.

## Mexican tomatoes will cost more

A new agreement was signed between the Mexican producers and the Department of Commerce of the United States formalizing the minimum sale price of tomatoes from Mexico. Thus, with this agreement, we believe that the average FAB price will be higher from next season in California.

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