

# **PECAN REPORT**

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### PECAN IMPORTS FROM MEXICO THROUGH ARIZONA-NEW MEXICO-TEXAS CROSSING POINTS\*\*

Shown in 1,000 lb units

		Weekly Total 2013							Crop Season ***	
	Dec	Dec	Dec	Dec	Dec	Dec	Dec	Total To Date		Final
	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	2013	2012	2012
Pecan-In-shell	922	456	523	493	41	0	500	18,637	23,351	45,876
Pecan-Shelled	226	238	448	160	41	0	389	20,359	16,306	53,282

\* Revised \*\* Country of Origin not specified. \*\*\* Crop season as defined by USDA runs from August 1 to July 31

Source Department of Homeland Security Customs Border Protection

#### PRICES PAID TO GROWERS

GEORGIA (via: Forest Park, Georgia) Atlanta

Temperatures varied throughout the state. Northern areas of the state have had several days of rain and cold temperatures. Southern areas had lows in the 60s and highs in the low 80s with some rain in a few areas.

Offerings this period were mostly Blends, with a few lots of Desirables and Cape Fear sold. Prices were lower. Small lots of Blends with meat yields of 45% or better sold in a range of about \$3.15-3.45 per point, while lots with meat yields of 40% or better sold in a range of about \$2.75-3.10 per point. Large lots of Blends with meat yields of 45% or better sold in a range of about \$3.20-3.40 per point, occasional higher. Blends of export quality with meat yields of 47% or better sold in a range of about \$3.72-3.94 per point. Some growers have put their remaining pecans in cold storage and plan to sell them at a later date.

Buying interest and trading by end users is slow for export business, moderate for shellers and accumulators, while active for gift pack and retail business. Some end users are utilizing inventories on hand, or purchasing from other areas.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Thursday, December 5 through late afternoon Tuesday, December 10, 2013) at buyers delivery point or F.O.B. the orchard including direct sales to end users, cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality in lots of 20,000 pounds or less unless otherwise stated.

Cape Fear yard tree lots mostly 125-150

**Desirable** 48-53.2% meat yield 175-185 occasional higher, yard tree lots 125-150 few lower

Elliott yard tree lots 150

**Moneymakers** deliveries insufficient to establish market **Seedlings** yard tree lots (small pecans) 60-70 (large pecans) 80-90 **Stuart** yard tree lots of good quality 90-125 fair quality 75-80 Lots in excess of 20,000 pounds including trailer load lots:

**Seedlings** 40% meat yield or better 80-90 **Stuart** deliveries insufficient to establish market

### THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2013.

LOUISIANA - Via: Forest Park, Georgia (Atlanta) (LA report will be issued once weekly-usually on Tuesdays)

#### This report was issued on Tuesday, December 10, 2013

Deliveries for Improved varieties were very light. Most of the movement is from retail sales and gift pack business which is very active. Very cold and wet this period, with temperature lows ranging from high 20s to mid 30s and with highs averaging into the mid 40s.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Tuesday, December 3, 2013 through late afternoon Tuesday, December 10, 2013) at buyers delivery point or F.O.B. the orchard including direct sales to end users, cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality in lots of 20,000 pounds mostly 5,000 or less unless otherwise stated.

Desirable (very few deliveries) yard tree lots 140 Natives/Seedlings (deliveries very light) machine harvested 70-90 mostly 80-90 yard tree lots 60-80 Oconee deliveries insufficient to establish market Stuart (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 140 Sumner (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 140

#### THE NEXT LOUISIANA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2013.

#### PRICES PAID TO GROWERS continued

**TEXAS** - CENTRAL, SOUTH, EASTERN areas (via: Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were light. Demand was moderate for good quality pecans. Cheyenne, Choctaw, Desirable and Natives are currently being harvested. Prices for Natives are higher.

Crops generally are of good quality. The volume has increased during the past week, and is expected to continue increasing for the next two weeks.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the mid-20s to low 50s, with highs in the upper 30s to low 60s. There is a chance of precipitation projected every day from Thursday, December 12 through Sunday, December 15, with as high as a 50% chance of precipitation on Friday, December 13. No precipitation is projected for Tuesday, December 10 or Wednesday, December 13.

Buying interest displayed by end users was moderate for in-shell gift pack use as users are preparing for the upcoming holiday season. Trading was moderate. Buying interest is moderate for commercial sheller use as shellers continue to utilize inventories on hand or make purchases from other production areas.

Prices paid to growers at Texas delivery points or F.O.B. the orchard from noon Thursday, December 5, 2013 to noon Tuesday, December 10, 2013 cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality in lots of 20,000 pounds or less unless otherwise stated.

**Cheyenne** supplies insufficient to quote **Choctaw** supplies insufficient to quote **Desirable** supplies insufficient to quote **Natives** machine harvested 90-100 mostly 90, yard tree lots 50-70 mostly 60-70 occasional higher and lower

#### THE NEXT TEXAS REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2013.

**OKLAHOMA** (via: Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to buying points were fairly light with most deliveries in small lots. Demand and harvesting this past week has been moderate. Crops generally are of good size and quality. The volume of pecans is expected to continue to increase through the rest of December.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for temperature highs from the low 30s to upper 40s, and low temperatures from the upper 10s to the mid-30s. There is a chance of precipitation from Thursday, December 12 through Saturday, December 14, with as high as 50% chance of precipitation on Friday, December 13. Little or no precipitation is expected the other days this week. Buying interest displayed by end users was moderate for retail inshell gift pack use, and for commercial sheller use as shellers utilize inventories on hand or make purchases from other production areas, as well as wait for additional availability of nuts. Trading was very light for in-shell and gift pack uses. Prices for Natives are about steady.

Prices paid to growers at Oklahoma delivery points or F.O.B. the orchard from noon Thursday, December 5, 2013 to noon Tuesday, December 10, 2013 cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality in lots less than 20,000 pounds, mostly small lots of 1,000-5,000 pounds.

**Natives** (deliveries fairly light) yard tree lots 50-80 mostly 60 occasional higher and lower

### THE NEXT OKLAHOMA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2013.

WESTERN REGION - ARIZONA, NEW MEXICO AND WEST TEXAS (via Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were fairly light. Demand was fairly good for good quality pecans.

Harvested quality has been generally good. Prices are about steady.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for temperatures in the low 20s to upper 30s, with highs in the mid-40s to low 60s. There is a chance of precipitation on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of this week, with as high as a 30% chance of on Thursday, December 12. Little or no precipitation expected the other days this week.

Buying interest displayed by end users was moderate for in-shell, gift pack use, and commercial sheller use as shellers continue to utilize inventories on hand or make purchases from other production areas or wait for additional availability of nuts. Trading was fairly light for in-shell and gift pack uses. Deliveries and purchases of Improved varieties mostly Western Schley were fairly light.

Prices paid to growers (from noon Thursday, December 5, 2013 through noon Tuesday, December 10, 2013) at buyers delivery point or f.o.b. the orchard including direct sales to end users cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality pecans in lots of 20,000 pounds or less unless otherwise stated.

Western Schley 53-57% meat yield 172-200 mostly 175-191 occasional higher and lower

## THE NEXT WESTERN REGION REPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2013.

Formula used to calculate points: cents per pound divided by meat yield = dollar per point, or dollar per point times meat yield = cents per pound.