



# 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 ***		Crop Final 2012	
	Dec 05	Dec 06	Dec 07	Dec 08	Dec 09	Dec 10	Dec 11	Total To Date 2013		2012
Pecan-In-shell	523	493	41	0	500	593	340	20,059	24,625	45,876
Pecan-Shelled	448	160	41	0	389	248	354	20,061	16,841	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 cold evenings in the high 20s to low 30s, with daytime highs in the mid 40s. Southern areas had lows in the mid 30s and highs in the mid to high 50s. Rain is expected in some areas throughout the weekend.

Offerings this period were mostly Blends, with a few lots of Desirables, Stuart and Sumner sold. Prices were about steady, with some quality issues being reported. Small lots of Blends with meat yields of 44-52% sold in a range of about \$3.26-3.50 mostly \$3.40 per point, while lots with meat yields of 40-44% sold in a range of about \$3.00-3.20 per point. Large lots of Blends with meat yields of 45% or better sold in a range of about \$3.30-3.65 mostly \$3.40-3.50 per point, occasional higher for export quality nuts. 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 very slow for export business, moderate for shellers and accumulators, while very active for gift pack and retail business. Some end users are utilizing inventories on hand, or have been purchasing from other areas.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Tuesday, December 10 through late afternoon Thursday, December 12, 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** deliveries insufficient to establish market

**Curtiss** 54-56.5% meat yield 185-187

**Desirable** 53% meat yield or better 180-190 occasional higher, 50-52% meat yield 175-188 occasional higher, yard tree lots 125-150 few lower

**Elliott** deliveries insufficient to establish market

**Seedlings** yard tree lots (small pecans) 60-75 (large pecans) 80-100

**Stuart** 45-48% meat yield 170-175, yard tree lots of good quality 90-125 fair quality 75-80

Lots in excess of 20,000 pounds including trailer load lots:

**Desirable** 50-52% meat yield 175-188 very few high as 200

**Seedlings** 40% meat yield or better 80-100

**Stuart** 45-48% meat yield 170-175

**Sumner** 52-54% meat yield 180-200 occasional higher

**THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 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 fairly light. Demand was moderate for good quality pecans. Cheyenne, Choctaw and Natives are currently being harvested. Prices for Natives are lower.

Crops generally are of good quality. The volume is expected to remain about the same for the remainder of the week.

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 40s to low 60s. There is a chance of precipitation projected every day this week, with at least a 40% chance of precipitation on Friday, December 13.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly slow for in-shell gift pack use. Trading was fairly slow. Buying interest is fairly slow 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 Tuesday, December 10, 2013 to noon Thursday, December 12, 2013 cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality in lots of 20,000 pounds or less unless otherwise stated.

**Cheyenne** export quality 55-56% meat yield or better 240-250 mostly 250, 50-52% meat yield or better 190-200

**Choctaw** export quality 55-56% meat yield or better 240-250 mostly 250

**Natives** machine harvested 80-100 mostly 80-90, yard tree lots 50-70 mostly 50-60

**THE NEXT TEXAS REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 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 increase during the next week.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for temperature highs from the mid 30s to the low 50s, and low temperatures from the low 20s to the upper 30s. There is a chance of precipitation from Friday, December 13 through Sunday, December 15, with as high as a 90% chance of precipitation on Friday. Little or no precipitation is expected on Thursday.

Buying interest displayed by end users was moderate for retail in-shell 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 moderate 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 Tuesday, December 10, 2013 to noon Thursday, December 12, 2013 cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality in lots less than 20,000 pounds, mostly 5000 pounds or less unless otherwise stated.

**Natives** (deliveries fairly light) machine harvested 100, yard tree lots 50-80 mostly 60

**THE NEXT OKLAHOMA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2013.**

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

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

Harvested quality has been generally good. Prices are slightly lower.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the mid 20s to upper 30s, with highs in the mid 40s to low 60s. There is a chance of precipitation on Thursday and Friday of this week, with as high as an 80% chance of on Thursday. Little or no precipitation expected on 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 moderate 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 Tuesday, December 10, 2013 through noon Thursday, December 12, 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 170-211 mostly 172-191

**THE NEXT WESTERN REGION REPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 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.