



PECAN REPORT

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INSTANT MARKET NEWS --- Prices paid to growers and other applicable pecan information is available by calling the following recorder in Forest Park, GA (404) 366-0360

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

Shown in 1,000 lb units

	Weekly Total 2015 Crop						Crop Season ***		Crop Final	
	Dec 08	Dec 09	Dec 10	Dec 11	Dec 12	Dec 13	Dec 14	2015		2014
Pecan-In-shell	835	1,159	539	1,317	470	0	703	30,419	33,494	50,347
Pecan-Shelled	603	486	458	272	73	0	827	31,984	32,272	74,809

* 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: Phoenix, Arizona)

The weather forecast for the next week in South Georgia calls for low temperatures in the low 30s to mid-60s, highs in the mid-50s to upper 70s, and a chance of precipitation from Wednesday, December 16 through Friday, December 18, and from Monday, December 21 through Tuesday, December 22, with as high as a 100% chance of precipitation on Thursday, December 17.

The weather forecast for the next week in Central and North Georgia calls for low temperatures in the low 30s to low 60s, highs in the mid-50s to upper 70s, and a chance of precipitation from Wednesday, December 16 through Friday, December 18, and on Tuesday, December 22, with as high as a 100% chance of precipitation on Thursday, December 17.

Buying interest is active for export quality pecans and for good quality pecans. For the wholesale and gift pack trade demand is active in large part due to the holiday season. There is a wide range in quality of pecans, as a result of wet weather conditions and the continuance of warm weather. Rot, nut scab and smaller nut size have been reported.

Blends in both small and large lots of generally good quality with meat yields of 45-47% sold for about 4.00-4.15 per point. (To get price per pound use this formula: dollars per point times meat yield = cents per pound; to get per point figure:

dollars per pound divided by meat yield = dollars per point).

Prices paid to growers (Thursday, December 10 through Tuesday, December 15, 2015) 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.

Desirables (deliveries light) export quality 50-51% meat yield 250-275 mostly 260-270 occasional higher; 46-48% meat yield 220-250, yard tree lots 125-150 few higher

Elliott (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Gloria Grande (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Kiowa (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Seedlings (deliveries very light) machine harvested 42-45% meat yield 150-165; yard tree lots 80-120 mostly 100-115 occasional higher

Stuart (deliveries light) 44-47% meat yield (nut count 45-55) 200-220, yard tree lots 100-150 mostly 100-125 fair quality low as 70

Sumner (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Georgia (Continued)

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

Desirables (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Stuart (deliveries light) 45-47% meat yield (nut count 45-55) 200-230

Sumner (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015

LOUISIANA (via: Phoenix, Arizona)

The weather forecast for the next week calls for low temperatures ranging from the low 30s to low 60s, and high temperatures ranging from the mid-50s to mid-70s. There is a 40-80% chance of precipitation on Wednesday, December 16, and a 30-60% chance of precipitation from Monday, December 21 through Tuesday, December 22.

Deliveries for Improved varieties have been very light with most of the crop sold as retail. Buying interest is good for in-shell gift pack, retail use and for commercial sheller use, however the lack of volume has shellers purchasing from other production areas until more pecans become available. A wide range in quality, including sprouting and embryo rot, has been reported.

Prices paid to growers (Tuesday, December 8, though Tuesday, December 15, 2015) 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.

Caddo (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Candy (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Desirable (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Melrose (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Native/Seedlings (deliveries very light) machine harvested 39-40% meat yield or better 100-150 mostly 130-140 occasional higher and lower, 35-38% meat yield 80-120 mostly 100-120 occasional higher, yard tree lots 75-90 mostly 75-85 occasional higher and lower

Stuart (deliveries very light) 40-45% meat yield 150-190 mostly 150-175 occasional lower

Sumner (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

THE NEXT LOUISIANA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2015.

OKLAHOMA (via: Oklahoma Department of Agriculture Market News Service)

THE NEXT OKLAHOMA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015.

TEXAS (via Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were very light. Demand was fairly good for good quality pecans. Harvesting is expected to remain about steady during the upcoming week.

The weather forecast for the next week calls for low temperatures ranging from the upper 20s to low 60s, and highs from the upper 50s to low 80s. There is a 20-40% chance of precipitation on Tuesday, December 15, and a 10-60% chance of precipitation from Sunday, December 20 through Tuesday, December 22.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly good for in-shell, gift pack use, and moderate for commercial sheller use as shellers 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.

Prices paid to growers from Tuesday, December 8 through Tuesday, December 15, 2015 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.

Natives (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 50-100 mostly 65-80; machine picked 100-140 mostly 115-125

THE NEXT TEXAS REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2015.

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 good for good quality pecans. Harvesting is currently in full swing, as all areas are currently harvesting. Numbers are expected to continue to increase during the next couple of weeks. Harvested quality has been generally good.

The weather forecast for the next week calls for low temperatures in the upper 10s to low 40s, with highs in the mid-40s to upper 60s. A 10-20% chance of precipitation is projected in many areas from Sunday, December 20 through Tuesday, December 22.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly active for in-shell, gift pack use, and moderate for 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 moderate.

Prices paid to growers (noon Thursday, December 10 through noon Tuesday, December 15, 2015) 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 55-58% meat yield 235-265 mostly 250-260 occasional higher and lower

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5:00 pm

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