



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
	Nov 26	Nov 27	Nov 28	Nov 29	Nov 30	Dec 01	Dec 02	Total To Date 2013 2012	
Pecan-In-shell	167	711	0	641	323	0	500	15,702 18781	45,876
Pecan-Shelled	546	42	0	332	0	0	302	18,858 15,080	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 in central and north Georgia ranged from evening lows in the mid 50s and daytime highs in the low 60s. In the southern part of the state temperatures ranged in the mid 50s to low 70s. Very light offerings sold this period, mostly smaller pecans and Blends. Lots with generally good quality Blends with nut counts of 70-90 per unit and meat yields of 45% or better sold in a range of about \$3.25-3.65 per point, while lots with meat yields of 40-42% sold in a range of about \$2.50-2.93 per point. Very light offerings of Blends with nut counts under 60 per unit brought higher prices, but were insufficient in numbers to quote. Some growers have opted to hold their pecans and waiting until the market improves for larger export quality nuts.

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

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Tuesday, November 26 through late afternoon Tuesday, December 3, 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 100-150 mostly 125-150

Desirable yard tree lots 125-150 few low as 100

Elliott yard tree lots 150

Seedlings yard tree lots (small pecans) 60-70 (large pecans) 80-85

Stuart generally good quality 45% or better 150, yard tree lots of fair quality 75-80 good quality 90-125

Sumner yard tree lots 150

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

Cape Fear deliveries insufficient to establish market

Desirable deliveries insufficient to establish market

Seedlings 40% meat yield or better 80-85

Stuart deliveries insufficient to establish market

Sumner deliveries insufficient to establish market

THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2013.

LOUISIANA - Via: Forest Park, Georgia (Atlanta)

(LA report will be issued once weekly-usually on Tuesdays)

Deliveries for Improved varieties were very light. Most of the movement is from retail sales and gift pack business which is very active. Temperature lows ranged from mid 60s to highs of mid 70s.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Tuesday, November 26, 2013 through late afternoon Thursday, December 3, 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 yard tree lots 140

Natives/Seedlings (deliveries light) yard tree lots 60-80 mostly 60-70 depending on size, quality and volume

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Stuart yard tree lots 140

Sumner yard tree lots 140

THE NEXT LOUISIANA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 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 good for good quality pecans. Cheyenne, Choctaw, Desirable, Wichita, and Natives are currently being harvested.

Crops are of a generally good quality. The volume of pecans has increased during the past week, and is expected to continue to do so this week.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the low 20s to upper 60s, with highs in the mid-30s to mid-80s. There is a chance of precipitation projected every day for the remainder of this week, with as high as a 60% chance of precipitation on Friday, December 6.

Prices for pecans are lower.

Buying interest displayed by end users was moderate for in-shell gift pack use as users are preparing for the upcoming holiday season, while 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 Tuesday, November 26, 2013 to noon Tuesday, December 3, 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 250-270; 50-52% meat yield or better 200, yard tree lots 100-130 few higher and lower

Choctaw export quality 55-56% meat yield or better 250-270; 50-52% meat yield or better 200

Desirable 50-52% meat yield or better 200, yard tree lots 90-130 few higher and lower

Wichita yard tree lots 130

Natives yard tree lots 40-60 mostly 50 occasional higher

THE NEXT TEXAS REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2013.

OKLAHOMA (via: Phoenix, Arizona)

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

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for temperature highs from the mid-20s to upper 60s, and low temperatures from 8 degrees to the upper 40s. There is a chance of precipitation every day from Thursday, December 5 through Sunday, December 8, with as high as 70% chance of precipitation on Thursday, December 5.

Buying interest displayed by end users was moderate for retail in-shell gift pack use, and moderate 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 on Natives are lower.

Prices paid to growers at Oklahoma delivery points or F.O.B. the orchard from noon Tuesday, November 26, 2013 to noon Tuesday, December 3, 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 light) yard tree lots 60-80 mostly 60 occasional higher and lower

THE NEXT OKLAHOMA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2013.

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

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were light. Demand was moderate for good quality pecans. Harvesting is in its early stages in southern New Mexico and the El Paso area of Texas, while those areas north of Las Cruces anticipate increased and reportable levels of harvesting by early next week.

Harvested quality has been generally good. Early estimates project the number of pecans harvested in New Mexico this season to be near 60 million pounds.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the low 20s to low 50s, with highs in the mid-40s to upper 60s. A 50% chance of precipitation is projected on Thursday, December 5, and a 20% chance of precipitation is projected on Sunday, December 8. Little or no precipitation expected the other days this week.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly light 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 light for in-shell and gift pack uses. Deliveries and purchases of Improved varieties mostly Western Schley were light.

Prices paid to growers (from the start of the season through late afternoon Tuesday, December 3, 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 175-194 occasional higher and lower

THIS IS THE FIRST PECAN REPORT FOR THE 2013 WESTERN REGION.

THE NEXT WESTERN REGION REPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 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.