



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 *** recorder is available Tuesday and Thursday evenings seasonally***

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 17	Dec 18	Dec 19	Dec 20	Dec 21	Dec 22	Dec 23	Total To Date 2013	2012	
Pecan-In-shell	872	*889	540	682	219	0	620	25,605	29,621	45,876
Pecan-Shelled	290	128	268	318	41	0	335	24,246	20,091	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

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Shown in 1,000 lb units

	Weekly Total 2013							Crop Season ***		Crop Final 2012
	Dec 24	Dec 25	Dec 26	Dec 27	Dec 28	Dec 29	Dec 30	Total To Date 2013	2012	
Pecan-In-shell	190	0	175	774	306	0	1127	28,177	31,052	45,876
Pecan-Shelled	41	0	21	243	0	0	330	24,881	20,843	53,282

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Source Department of Homeland Security Customs Border Protection

PRICES PAID TO GROWERS

GEORGIA (via: Forest Park, Georgia) Atlanta

Temperatures varied throughout the state with lows in the high 20s and mid 30s in the northern areas and mid 30s to mid 40s in the central and southern areas. Daytime temps ranged from the mid 40s to mid 50s in most areas. Rain came through the state at different times with some areas very heavy.

Very light offerings were delivered this period and most were Blends. Prices were about steady. Small and large lots of Blends with meat yields of 45% or higher sold in a range of about \$2.83-3.49 mostly \$3.20-3.30 per point. Many growers are waiting to see if the prices will strengthen by mid January and then decide whether or not to put their remaining pecans in cold storage and sell them at a later date.

Buying interest and trading by end users is very slow for export business, shellers and accumulators. Most of the shellers are closed until January 6, 2014 because of the holidays. Gift pack and retail business has slowed

considerably now that the holiday sales rush is over. Some end users are utilizing inventories on hand, or have been purchasing from other areas.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Thursday, December 19 through late afternoon Tuesday, December 31, 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.

Improved Varieties deliveries insufficient to establish market
Seedlings machine harvested 40% meat yield or better 85-100 mostly 85-90, yard tree lots 60-85 mostly 75

THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2014.

PRICES PAID TO GROWERS continued

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

This report was issued on Tuesday, December 31, 2013

Deliveries for Improved varieties were insufficient to establish market. Most of the movement is from retail sales and gift pack business. Some growers are awaiting price offers for pecans that had been graded and tested earlier.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Tuesday, December 17, 2013 through late afternoon Tuesday, December 31, 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.

Natives/Seedlings (deliveries very light) machine harvested 40% meat yield or better 90-105 yard tree lots 80

THIS IS THE LAST LOUISIANA REPORT FOR THE SEASON.

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

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were very light. Demand was moderate for good quality pecans. Natives are currently being harvested. Prices are about steady.

Crops generally are of good quality. Harvesting has been light, but is expected to increase due to the return to regular work schedules following the holiday season, as well as a warming in temperatures. Some areas of the state are over 90 percent done with harvesting.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the upper 20s to low 50s, with highs in the low 50s to upper 60s. There is a chance of precipitation projected every day from Wednesday, January 1 through Sunday, January 5, with up to a 60% chance of precipitation on Wednesday and Saturday. No precipitation is expected on Tuesday, December 31.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly slow for in-shell gift pack use. Trading was slow. Buying interest is 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 Thursday, December 19, 2013 to noon Tuesday, December 31, 2013 cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality in lots of 20,000 pounds or less unless otherwise stated.

Natives machine harvested 70-110 mostly 80, yard tree lots 50-70 mostly 50-55

THE NEXT TEXAS REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2014.

OKLAHOMA (via: Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to buying points for both Improved varieties and for Natives was light. Demand and harvesting has been light. Harvesting is expected to increase later this week, with the end to the holiday work schedule, as well as dryer weather conditions.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for temperature highs from the low 30s to the mid 50s, and temperature lows from the low 20s to the low 40s. There is a slight chance of precipitation the rest of the week, with as high as a 20% chance on Saturday, January 4. There is no precipitation projected for Tuesday, Thursday or Sunday this week.

Offerings this period were mostly Blends. Prices for Blends with meat yields of 45-52% were \$2.50-3.00 mostly \$2.75 per point occasional higher and lower. Some growers have opted to put their remaining pecans in cold storage and plan to sell them at a later date.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly slow 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 fairly slow for in-shell and gift pack uses. Prices are about steady.

Prices paid to growers at Oklahoma delivery points or F.O.B. the orchard from noon Thursday, December 19, 2013 to noon Tuesday, December 31, 2013 cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality in lots of 20,000 pounds or less unless otherwise stated.

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

THE NEXT OKLAHOMA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2014.

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

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were very light. Demand was fairly light for good quality pecans. Harvesting continues in all areas, and is now approximately 50-60% complete in some areas. Harvesting is expected to increase in all areas, with the return to post holiday work schedules, and a projected week stretch of dry weather.

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

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 50s to mid 60s. Little or no precipitation is projected for the rest of the week.

Buying interest displayed by end users was slow 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 slow for in-shell and gift pack uses. Deliveries and purchases of Improved varieties mostly Western Schley, with a few lots of Pawnee were fairly light.

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Western Schley 53-57% meat yield 175-200 mostly 178-197, yard tree lots 100-175 mostly 140

Pawnee supplies insufficient to quote

THE NEXT WESTERN REGION REPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2014.

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.

Nuts in Cold Storage - United States: November 30, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	November 30, 2013			as a percent of		Public
	Stocks in all warehouses					warehouse
	November 30, 2012	October 31, 2013	November 30, 2013	November 30, 2012	October 31, 2013	stocks November 30, 2013
	----- 1,000 pounds -----			---- percent ----		1,000 pounds
Nuts						
Shelled						
Pecans	35,213	36,884	37,248	106	101	
In-Shell						
Pecans	63,434	54,970	59,909	94	109	

Nuts in Cold Storage - Regions: November 30, 2013 with Comparisons

Commodity	November 30, 2013			as a percent of	
	Stocks in all warehouses				
	November 30, 2012	October 31, 2013	November 30, 2013	November 30, 2012	October 31, 2013
	----- 1,000 pounds -----			---- percent ----	
Nuts					
Shelled					
Pecans					
South Atlantic	8,684	11,998	13,136	151	109
East South Central	665	724	784	118	108
West South Central	25,864	24,162	23,328	90	97
In-shell					
Pecans					
South Atlantic	30,958	14,279	15,814	51	111
East South Central	2,106	419	457	22	109
West South Central	30,370	40,272	43,638	144	108