



# 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 28	Nov 29	Nov 30	Dec 01	Dec 02	Dec 03	Dec 04	Total To Date 2013	2012	
Pecan-In-shell	0	641	323	0	500	922	456	17,080	20,359	45,876
Pecan-Shelled	0	332	0	0	302	226	238	19,322	15,587	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 this week with some rain mixed with warmer days, with daytime highs in the low 70s and low 80s with evenings in the low to mid 60s.

Offerings increased this week and were mostly Blends, with a few lots of Desirables, Cape Fear and Stuarts sold. Prices were slightly higher during this period. Small lots of Blends with meat yields of 43-48% and nut counts of 70-85 per unit sold in a range of about \$2.51-3.34 per point, lots with nut counts of 60-70 per unit sold in a range of about \$3.11-3.75 mostly \$3.30-3.50 per point. Large lots of Blends with meat yields of 45-53% sold in a range of about \$3.30-3.65 mostly 3.50 per point. Some growers have opted to store their pecans and wait to sell them at a later date until the market stabilizes and improves.

Buying interest and trading by end users is fairly 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 Tuesday, December 3 through late afternoon Thursday, December 5, 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** 49-53.5% meat yield 162-186, yard tree lots mostly 125-150  
**Desirable** 48-51.2% meat yield 155-189, yard tree lots 125-150 few lower  
**Elliott** yard tree lots 150  
**Moneymakers** 43-47% meat yield mostly 130  
**Seedlings** yard tree lots (small pecans) 60-70 (large pecans) 80-85  
**Stuart** export quality 46-52% meat yield 170-185 occasional higher, generally good quality 45% or better 150, yard tree lots of fair quality 75-80 good quality 90-125  
**Sumner** deliveries insufficient to establish market

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** (export quality) 46-50% meat yield mostly 170-185 occasional higher  
**Sumner** deliveries insufficient to establish market

**THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2013.**

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

This report was issued on Tuesday, December 3, 2013

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  
**Oconee** (deliveries insufficient)  
**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 for good quality pecans. Cheyenne, Choctaw, Desirable, Wichita, and Natives are currently being harvested. Prices for pecans are about steady.

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 the remainder of this week.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the low 20s to low 40s, with highs in the low 30s to upper 60s. There is a chance of precipitation projected every day for the remainder of this week, with as high as a 90% chance of precipitation on Friday, December 6.

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, December 3, 2013 to noon Thursday, December 5, 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** supplies insufficient to quote

**Natives** yard tree lots 40-60 mostly 50 occasional higher

**THE NEXT TEXAS REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2013.****OKLAHOMA** (via: Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to buying points were fairly 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.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for temperature highs from the low 20s to upper 30s, and low temperatures from 7 degrees to the mid-20s. There is a chance of precipitation every day for the remainder of the week, with as high as 100% chance of precipitation on Friday, December 6.

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 about steady.

Prices paid to growers at Oklahoma delivery points or F.O.B. the orchard from noon Tuesday, December 3, 2013 to noon Thursday, December 5, 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 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 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. Prices are slightly lower.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the low 20s to upper 30s, with highs in the mid-40s to upper 50s. Up to 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 moderate 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 fairly light for in-shell and gift pack uses. Deliveries and purchases of Improved varieties mostly Western Schley were light.

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**Western Schley** 53-57% meat yield 172-197 mostly 175-191 occasional higher and lower

**THE NEXT WESTERN REGION REPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 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.

**Terminal Market nut prices-December 5, 2013****Atlanta**

---ALMONDS: 50 lb sacks CA 113.00 cartons 32 1-lb packages CA 87.00

---BRAZIL NUTS: 50 lb sacks BR 160.00-170.00 mostly 160.00 cartons 32 1-lb packages BR 109.00-115.00 mostly 109.00

---CHESTNUTS: 10 lb sacks IT 46.50

---FILBERTS: 50 lb sacks OR 146.00 cartons 32 1-lb packages OR 109.50

---PECANS: 50 lb sacks GA Improved Desirables 185.00-190.00

---WALNUTS: 50 lb sacks CA 140.00-150.00 mostly 140.00-143.00 cartons 24 1-lb packages CA 72.00-76.00

**Baltimore**

---ALMONDS: MARKET STEADY. 50 lb sacks CA U.S. One lge 120.00

---BRAZIL NUTS: MARKET STEADY. 50 lb sacks BR lge 165.00-175.00

---CHESTNUTS: MARKET STEADY. 55 lb containers CQ x1lge 100.00 25 lb sacks IT 60-65s 95.00-96.00

---FILBERTS: MARKET STEADY. 50 lb sacks CA lge 140.00

---PECANS: MARKET STEADY. 50 lb sacks GA Improved Mohawks lge 170.00-185.00

---WALNUTS: MARKET STEADY. 50 lb sacks CA English jbo 150.00-160.00

Terminal Market nut prices-December 5, 2013 continued

**Boston**

---ALMONDS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA U.S. One Peerless lge 110.00 cartons 32 1-lb packages CA U.S. One Peerless lge 73.00  
 ---BRAZIL NUTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks BR Polished lge 155.00  
 ---CASHEWS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks Repacked Enroute 330.00  
 ---CHESTNUTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 55 lb containers CQ 48-50s 95.00 25 lb sacks IT 38-40s 115.00 occas low as 105.00 48-50s 102.50-105.00 mostly 105.00 60-65s 95.00  
 ---FILBERTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks OR U.S. One jbo 150.00 cartons 32 1-lb packages OR U.S. One jbo 100.00  
 ---PECANS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks GA Natural Polished lge 190.00 TX Natural Polished lge 190.00  
 ---PISTACHIOS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 25 lb cartons CA White 165.00 cartons 24 12-oz packages CA White 140.00  
 ---WALNUTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA English Hartley jbo 145.00 cartons 24 1-lb packages CA English Hartley jbo 72.00

**Chicago**

---BRAZIL NUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks BR Polished lge 144.00  
 ---CHESTNUTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 55 lb containers SK 60-65s 110.00

**Columbia**

---BRAZIL NUTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. MARKET STEADY. 50 lb sacks BR Polished lge 175.00 cartons 24 1-lb packages BR Polished lge 75.00  
 ---PECANS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. MARKET STEADY. 50 lb sacks GA Improved Stuarts lge 150.00 Sumner lge 150.00-160.00 mostly 150.00 SC Improved Cape Fear lge 140.00 Stuarts lge 175.00  
 ---WALNUTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. MARKET STEADY. 50 lb sacks CA English Hartley jbo 140.00 cartons 24 1-lb packages CA English Hartley jbo 65.00

**Dallas**

---ALMONDS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA U.S. One Nonpareil lge 137.50  
 ---BRAZIL NUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks BR Polished lge 170.00-180.00  
 ---CHESTNUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 25 lb sacks IT 38-40s 125.00  
 ---FILBERTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA lge 125.00-130.00  
 ---PECANS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks GA Natural Polished lge 190.00 TX Natural Polished lge 180.00-185.00  
 ---PISTACHIOS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 25 lb cartons CA White 145.00-150.00  
 ---WALNUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA English lge 150.00-155.00

**Detroit**

---ALMONDS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA Peerless 110.00-115.00 mostly 110.00-113.00  
 ---BRAZIL NUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks BR lge 170.00-175.00 mostly 170.00-173.00  
 ---CHESTNUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 25 lb sacks IT 38-40s 90.00-95.00 mostly 90.00-93.00 48-50s 85.00-95.00 mostly 85.00-90.00 occas higher 60-65s 65.00-70.00 mostly 65.00-68.00  
 ---FILBERTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks OR jbo 135.00-140.00 mostly 135.00-138.00  
 ---PECANS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks GA Improved Desirables exlge 180.00-190.00 mostly 180.00-185.00 Stuarts exlge 155.00-160.00 mostly 155.00-158.00  
 ---PISTACHIOS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 25 lb cartons CA White 141.00-143.75 mostly 141.00-143.00  
 ---WALNUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA English Hartley jbo 142.00-145.00 mostly 142.00-144.00

**Los Angeles**

---ALMONDS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks per lb CA Peerless 1.58-1.65 few best higher  
 ---BRAZIL NUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks per lb BR Polished lge 2.70-2.73  
 ---CASHEWS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks IQ 3.50 per lb  
 ---CHESTNUTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 55 lb containers CQ BOAT lge 100.00 occas low as 89.00 SK BOAT exlge 115.00-120.00 lge 73.00 occas higher 25 lb sacks IT 48-50s 120.00  
 ---PECANS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks per lb GA Natural 2.80-3.00 Natural Polished 2.93 Red Polished 3.40  
 ---FILBERTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA lge 1.85-2.10  
 ---WALNUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks per lb CA English Hartley jbo 2.15-2.30 occas high as 2.85 lge 2.19-2.20

**New York**

---ALMONDS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks per lb CA Peerless 1.90 cartons 32 1-lb packages CA Peerless 75.00-80.00  
 ---BRAZIL NUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks per lb BR BOAT lge 2.60-2.70 cartons 32 1-lb packages BR BOAT lge 90.00-92.00  
 ---CHESTNUTS: MARKET VERY LIGHT. 55 lb containers per lb CQ exlge 2.00 few 2.35 55 lb sacks per lb IT AIR 38-40s offerings insufficient to quote 48-50s 4.00-4.10 PO AIR 48-50s offerings insufficient to quote 25 lb sacks per lb IT AIR 38-40s 4.20-4.40 48-50s 4.00-4.20  
 ---FILBERTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks per lb OR jbo 2.60 cartons 32 1-lb packages OR lge 85.00-86.00  
 ---PECANS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks per lb GA Natural exlge 2.90-3.00 cartons 32 1-lb packages GA Natural exlge 125.00-130.00  
 ---WALNUTS: MARKET STEADY. 50 lb sacks per lb CA English Hartley jbo 2.80 cartons 24 1-lb packages CA English Hartley jbo 70.00

**Philadelphia**

---ALMONDS: 50 lb sacks CA Peerless lge 125.00  
 ---BRAZIL NUTS: 50 lb sacks BR 155.00  
 ---CHESTNUTS: OFFERINGS INSUFFICIENT TO QUOTE.  
 ---FILBERTS: 50 lb sacks OR lge 148.00  
 ---PISTACHIOS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. cartons 24 12-oz packages CA White 115.00 (few sales)  
 ---WALNUTS: 50 lb sacks CA English Hartley jbo 135.00

**San Francisco**

---ALMONDS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA Peerless 110.00 few higher  
 ---BRAZIL NUTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks BR Polished lge 165.00-175.00  
 ---CHESTNUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 55 lb containers CQ 98.00 SK 98.00 25 lb sacks IT 48-50s 145.00  
 ---FILBERTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks OR U.S. One lge 125.00 few higher  
 ---PECANS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks Repacked Enroute Natural 200.00  
 ---PISTACHIOS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT.  
 ---WALNUTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA English Hartley jbo 145.00-150.00 few higher

**ORGANIC NUTS**

---PISTACHIOS: 25 lb sacks CA 156.50

**St. Louis**

---ALMONDS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA Peerless lge 115.00-127.50  
 ---BRAZIL NUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks BR Polished lge 170.00-174.50  
 ---FILBERTS: OFFERINGS VERY LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA U.S. One lge 146.00  
 ---PECANS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks GA Improved Schleys lge 98.00 Stuarts lge 124.50-130.00 few high as 157.00  
 ---WALNUTS: OFFERINGS LIGHT. 50 lb sacks CA English Hartley jbo 146.50-148.50