



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: Thomasville, GA (229) 226-7567.

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

Shown in 1,000 lb units each

	Weekly Total 2012 Crop					Crop Season ***		Crop Final 2011		
	Feb 14	Feb 15	Feb 16	Feb 17	Feb 18	Feb 19	Feb 20		Total To Date 2012	Total To Date 2011
Pecan-In-shell	363	260	0	0	127	0	100	41,466	55,720	59,097
Pecan-Shelled	118	179	82	0	41	366	366	30,903	23,979	44,722

** 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 * Revised

PECANS-PRICES PAID TO GROWERS

OKLAHOMA PECAN REPORT (via Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to buying points were moderate. Demand was moderate. The size of the pecans this year are smaller than normal due to drought conditions over the last two years.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for temperature highs from the low 40s to upper 60s, with low temperatures in the low 20s to upper 30s. A ten to twenty percent chance of precipitation is projected for most of the remainder of the week.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly light 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. Trading was fairly slow for in-shell and gift pack uses.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Thursday, February 14, 2013 thru late afternoon Thursday, February 21, 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.

Natives (deliveries light) too few to establish a market.

THIS IS THE FINAL OKLAHOMA REPORT OF THE SEASON.

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

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were moderate. Demand was moderate for good quality pecans. Prices were higher. Approximately 90-95 percent of this season's crop has been harvested. Deliveries of nuts are expected to continue until the end of February or early March.

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 50s to low 60s. A ten percent chance of precipitation is projected for Thursday, February 21 and Sunday, February 24, with no precipitation projected for Friday or Saturday.

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. Some growers are delaying making marketing decisions, opting to concentrate on harvesting and accumulating supplies for sale at a later date. Trading was slow for in-shell and gift pack uses. Deliveries and purchases of Improved varieties mostly Western Schley were moderate. Interest from the export trade business to China, as well as Europe, has been shown by prospective buyers.

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Western Schley 54-58% meat yield 135-160, mostly 150-160 occasional higher and lower.

THIS IS THE FINAL WESTERN REGION REPORT OF THE SEASON.

THE NEXT PECAN REPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED LATE SEPTEMBER 2013.

Mike Rafanan, local representative
4:00 pm