



PECAN REPORT

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

Shown in 1,000 lb units each

	Weekly Total 2011 Crop						Crop Season ***		Crop Final 2011	
	Jan 02	Jan 03	Jan 04	Jan 05	Jan 06	Jan 07	Jan 08	Total To Date 2012		Total To Date 2011
Pecan-In-shell	423	473	44	128	0	809	220	33,150	43,492	59,097
Pecan-Shelled	155	234	220	0	0	302	197	21,932	18,826	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

GEORGIA PECAN REPORT (via Thomasville, Georgia)

Deliveries and offerings have been very light this week. The harvest in Georgia is generally finished for the season. Very light offerings expected through the next two weeks, as growers are cleaning up and clearing out the orchards in preparation for next season.

Most businesses have cut back hours for accepting pecans brought in for sale at the door. Interest from the export and commercial trade business was fairly light while trading has been slow. Prices are lower. Quality reported as variable with embryo rot reported in the late harvested pecans.

Most deliveries were in the form of Blends. Prices for generally good quality Blends with meat yields of 40% or better (nut count 65 or under per pound) sold in a range of about \$2.43-2.80, mostly \$2.60-2.70 per point. Blends with meat yields of 40% or better (nut count of 70 or more per pound) sold in a range of about \$2.11-2.56 per point. Yard tree lots of Blends sold in a range of about \$1.85-2.10 per point occasional higher, some lower. (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 (late afternoon Wednesday, January 2, 2013 thru late afternoon Wednesday, January 9, 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.

Desirable yard tree lots of generally good quality 100
Seedling yard tree lots of generally good quality 50-70 mostly 50-60
Schley deliveries insufficient to establish market
Stuart yard tree lots of generally good quality 70-90

THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2013.

LOUISIANA PECAN REPORT (via Thomasville, Georgia)

Rain and cold weather reported for the week. Very light deliveries were offered, indicating that the season may well be over. Some areas received as much as five inches of rain, curtailing any plans to pick up the remaining pecans left in the orchards. Moisture content has been reported as high and some growers are in the process of drying any pecans that were harvested earlier in the week. Quality is variable with embryo rot and damage reported. Interest from the domestic and the export trade business is light, while trading is slow.

Prices for Native/Seedlings were lower while deliveries of Blends were insufficient to establish market.

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Native/Seedlings machine harvested 55-70, yard tree lots of generally good quality 35-50

Stuart deliveries insufficient to establish market

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PECANS-PRICES PAID TO GROWERS – continued**OKLAHOMA PECAN REPORT** (via Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to buying points were moderate with many deliveries in small lots. Prices are slightly lower. Demand was moderate.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for temperature highs from the mid-30s to upper 60s, with low temperatures in the low 20s to low 50s. An 80-100 percent chance of precipitation is expected on Wednesday, January 09, 2013, with a 10-30 percent chance of precipitation projected for the rest of the week.

Native pecans continue to be smaller in size than normal, as lingering conditions from last season's drought have stressed many trees.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly light for retail in-shell, gift pack use, and moderate for commercial sheller use. Many shellers are utilizing inventories on hand or making purchases from other production areas, as well as waiting for additional availability of nuts. Trading was moderate for in-shell and gift pack uses.

Purchases of Improved varieties displaying good quality, nut count and high meat yield suitable for in-shell and gift pack purposes were insufficient to establish a market.

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Natives yard tree lots 60-90 mostly 70-80 occasional higher and lower

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TEXAS PECAN REPORT (via Phoenix, Arizona)
TEXAS (Central, South, Eastern Areas)

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were fairly light. Prices were slightly lower. Demand was fairly light for good quality pecans. Quality has been variable, with some problems related to last season's drought continuing to persist.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the low 20s to low 60s, and highs in the upper 30s to low 70s. There is a chance of precipitation every day this week, with a 60-100 percent chance on Wednesday, January 9, 10-30 percent on Thursday and Friday; and as high as a 70 percent chance on Saturday and Sunday.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly light for in-shell gift pack use, while trading was fairly light. Buying interest is fairly light for commercial sheller use as shellers continue to utilize inventories on hand or make purchases from other production areas.

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

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were fairly light. Demand was moderate for good quality pecans. Prices are higher. Harvesting is fully underway in all areas.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the upper 10s to low 40s, with highs in the low 40s to low 60s. A 10-20 percent chance of precipitation is expected from Wednesday, January 9 thru Thursday, January 10, with no precipitation expected the other days this week.

Buying interest displayed by end users was moderate for in-shell, gift pack use, as well as for commercial sheller use as shellers continue to utilize inventories on hand or make purchases from other production areas. Trading was slow for in-shell and gift pack uses. Deliveries and purchases of Improved varieties mostly Western Schley were light. Many growers are deferring making marketing decisions, opting instead to concentrate on harvesting and storing nuts for later sale. Some interest in exporting pecans to China has been shown by buyers, with the outlook pointing to an increased interest in the weeks ahead.

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Western Schley 54-58% meat yield 135-168, mostly 145-160 occasional higher and lower.

THE NEXT WESTERN REGION REPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2013.