



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 now available***

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

Shown in 1,000 lb units

	Weekly Total 2013						Crop Season ***		Crop Final	
	Nov 14	Nov 15	Nov 16	Nov 17	Nov 18	Nov 19	Nov 20	Total To Date 2013		2012
Pecan-In-shell	712	423	41	0	671	253	657	12,056	12,031	45,876
Pecan-Shelled	252	304	41	0	46	468	229	16,373	13,158	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 throughout the state ranged from evening lows of 49-61 degrees and daytime highs ranging from 57-76 degrees. Rain and cooler weather is expected over the weekend in some areas.

Offerings this week increased slightly, and prices are lower over the last couple of days. Yard tree prices increased this week. Some growers have opted to hold the pecans in storage and sell them at a later date, hoping for prices to rebound stronger after the Thanksgiving holiday. Growers are about 70-90 percent finished with harvest, with the remaining going over the orchards for a final time by the end of the month.

Lots with generally good quality Blends with nut counts of 65-80 per unit and meat yields of 45-52% sold in a wide range of about \$3.19-3.74 per point, mostly \$3.20-3.50. Light offerings of export quality Blends with nut counts of 55-64 per unit and meat yields of 46-52% sold in a range of about \$3.50-4.02 mostly \$3.53-3.87 per point .

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

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Tuesday, November 19 through late afternoon Thursday, November 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 in lots of 20,000 pounds or less unless otherwise stated.

Cape Fear 52-55% meat yield or better 195-205, yard tree lots 150

Desirable 50-52% meat yield 200-240, yard tree lots 125-150 few low as 100

Elliott yard tree lots 100-150 mostly 125-150

Seedlings yard tree lots 60-85 mostly 70-80

Moneymaker yard tree lots 75-80

Stuart 46-49% meat yield 185-195, yard tree lots of fair quality 75-80 good quality 90-125

Sumner 52-55% meat yield 191-230, yard tree lots supplies insufficient

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

Cape Fear 52-55% meat yield 195-205

Desirable 50-52% meat yield or better 200-240 occasional higher

Stuart 46-49% meat yield or better 185-195 occasional higher

Sumner 52-55% meat yield 220-230

THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2013.

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, November 19, 2013.

Deliveries for Improved varieties are too few to establish market price. The growers that are harvesting are waiting to get enough poundage together to get the best market price. Most of the movement is from retail sales and gift pack business. Yard tree lots are still very light, and prices are higher for Natives. The volume of this season's crop is expected to be very low as compared to recent years.

Temperature lows for the week ranged in the high 30s to the low 40s while highs ranged in the low to mid 60s.

Prices paid to growers at buyers delivery point or F.O.B. the orchard including direct sales to end users, cents per pound in-shell for yard tree lots less than 20,000 pounds mostly 5,000 or less unless otherwise stated.

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

THE NEXT LOUISIANA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2013.**TEXAS** (Central, South, Eastern Areas) (via: Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were fairly light. Demand was good for good quality pecans. Harvesting is ongoing in south and central Texas. Cheyenne, Choctaw, Desirable, Pawnee, Wichita, and Natives are currently being harvested.

Crops are of a generally good quality. The volume of pecans remains small but is expected to increase slightly leading up to the Thanksgiving holiday and the first week in December.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the mid-20s to mid-40s, with highs in the low 50s to low 80s. At least a 20% chance of precipitation is projected every day for the remainder of the week, with a 50-90% chance of precipitation on Friday, November 22.

Prices for Natives and Improved varieties with a meat yield of 55% or better are about steady, while lower for others.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly good 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 active for in-shell and gift pack uses.

Prices paid to growers at Texas delivery points or F.O.B. the orchard from noon Tuesday, November 19, 2013 to noon Thursday, November 21, 2013 cents per pound in-shell of generally good quality in lots of 20,000 pounds or less unless otherwise stated.

Cheyenne 55-56% meat yield or better 250, 50-52% meat yield or better 200-225, yard tree lots 125-150 few higher and lower

Choctaw 55-56% meat yield or better 250, 50-52% meat yield or better 200-225

Desirable 55-56% meat yield or better 250, 50-52% meat yield or better 200, yard tree lots 125-150 few higher and lower

Pawnee 55-56% meat yield or better 250, 50-52% meat yield or better 200-225, yard tree lots 125-150 few higher and lower

Wichita 55-56% meat yield or better 250, 50-52% meat yield or better 200-225, yard tree lots 125-150 few higher and lower

Natives yard tree lots 50-60

THE NEXT TEXAS REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2013.**OKLAHOMA** (via: Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to buying points were very light with most deliveries in small lots. Demand was good. Harvesting this week is slow. Early crops are of a generally good size and quality. The volume of pecans is small but is expected to increase slightly as many areas anticipate beginning or increasing production levels by the first week of December.

The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for temperature highs from the low 60s to low 70s on Thursday, November 21, and from the low 30s to low 40s from Friday through Sunday; with low temperatures in the mid-20s to mid-30s the rest of this week. There is a chance of precipitation every day for the remainder of the week, with as high as an 80% chance on Thursday, November 21.

Projections for this year are for production of 10 million pounds of pecans (utilized, in-shell basis), which is below last year's production of 25 million pounds. Even though drought conditions across Oklahoma improved this summer, it was too late to be of great impact on this year's pecan crop. Lingering conditions from droughts experienced the past two years have stressed many trees, and account for the lower projection.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly good 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 paid to growers at Oklahoma delivery points or F.O.B. the orchard from the start of the season to noon Thursday, November 21, 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 80-100 occasional higher and lower

******THIS IS THE FIRST REPORT FOR THE 2013 OKLAHOMA PECAN SEASON.******

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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.