

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) 336-7567 *** recorder not available at this time *** | | | | | | | | | |

(Corrected Copy: Weekly Total 2013 Crop Heading)

PECAN IMPORTS FROM MEXICO THROUGH ARIZONA-NEW MEXICO-TEXAS CROSSING POINTS** Shown in 1.000 lb units

| | Weekly Total 2013 Crop | | | | | | | Crop Season *** | | Crop |
|----------------|------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------------|-------|--------|
| | Oct | Nov | Nov | Nov | Nov | Nov | Nov | Total To Date | | Final |
| | 31 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 2013 | 2012 | 2012 |
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| Pecan-In-shell | *229 | *409 | 138 | 0 | 817 | 466 | 129 | 5,508 | 4,619 | 45,876 |
| Pecan-Shelled | 364 | 142 | 0 | 0 | 245 | 334 | 184 | 13,705 | 9,873 | 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 for this period had lows range from 43-75 degrees and highs from 64-83 degrees. Northern areas are expecting much cooler temperatures tonight and some rain may be expected in a few areas.

Most of the sales this period were from Desirables and a few Blends with most lots under 20,000 pounds. Some growers have opted sell their pecans under contract, with many being Blends of export quality. Prices for domestic sales are lower than the previous week, and some growers have declined bids waiting to sell at a later time.

Lots of Blends with a high unit count/smaller nut size with counts in the mid 60s to 70 and meat yields of 46.7-49.4% sold in a range of about \$3.58-3.61 per point, lots with a low unit count/larger nut size with counts in the low 50s sold in a range of about \$4.80-4.96 per point.

Buying interest and trading by end users is strong for export and gift pack retail business, while moderate from shellers and accumulators. Most of the deliveries of Improved varieties were Desirables, a few Moneymakers and Kiowas, and most were Desirable blends or Stuart blends. Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Tuesday, November 5 thru late afternoon Thursday, November 7, 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.

Desirable 47-51% meat yield (nut counts low to mid 50s) 225-245, 49-51.6% meat yield (nut counts mid 60s) 185-206, 50-52% meat yield (nut counts high 90s or higher) 100-105, yard tree lots 150-200

Elliott (deliveries light) yard tree lots 115-150 mostly 125 few high as 180

Seedlings (deliveries light) yard tree lots 50-80 mostly 60-70

Moneymaker (deliveries light) yard tree lots 75-85

Schley (deliveries insufficient)

Stuart yard tree lots fair quality 80-100 good quality up to 170

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

Desirable lots of generally good quality 52% meat yield or better 245-260, export quality as high as 298

THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2013.

PRICES PAID TO GROWERS continued

LOUISIANA - Via: Forest Park, Georgia (Atlanta)

Deliveries for Improved varieties are too few to establish market price. Yard tree lots are still light, but should increase by next week. Estimates for the volume of this season's crop is expected to be very low as compared to recent years.

Today's daytime temperature highs ranged in the low to mid 70s with evenings expected to be into the low 40s. Volume is expected to increase as growers should start harvesting by the end of this week or early next week, depending upon weather conditions.

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 very light) yard tree lots 50-60 mostly 60

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TEXAS (Central, South, Eastern Areas) (via: Phoenix, Arizona)

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were light. Demand was good for good quality pecans. Harvesting is in its early stages in south Texas, with Pawnee, Wichita, Cheyenne, Kiowa, Choctaw and Desirable currently being harvested, as well as a few natives. The number of Natives is expected to reach reportable levels in mid-November.

Trade sources report a smaller crop yield is expected this season than that of last season, due to hot and dry conditions early, the drought from the past two years, as well as that this year is an off-year in the production cycle. During normal seasons, 50 to 55 million pounds of pecans are produced in Texas, while this season, the figure is expected to be around 30 to 32 million. There were concerns early in the growing season over disease pressure, black pecan aphids and other defoliating insects, but these problems have not materialized to any large extent thus far. Early crops are of a high quality, but are small in numbers, with an anticipated increase in production during the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving. The weather forecast for the balance of the week calls for low temperatures in the low 40s to upper 50s, with highs in the low 60s to mid-70s. A 10-20% chance of precipitation is expected on Friday, November 8 and Sunday, November 10, with no precipitation projected for Thursday or Saturday.

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

Prices paid to growers at Texas delivery points or F.O.B. the orchard from the start of the season to Thursday, November 7, 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.

Cheyenne (deliveries light) 54-56% meat yield or better 290-300

Kiowa (deliveries light) 54-56% meat yield or better 290-300

Pawnee (deliveries light) 58% meat yield or better 350, 54-56% meat yield or better 290-325, yard tree lots 175

Wichita (deliveries light) 55% meat yield or better 300-315, yard tree lots 175

Desirable (deliveries light) 50-52% meat yield or better 200, yard tree lots 175

Choctaw (deliveries insufficient to establish a market)

THIS IS THE FIRST REPORT FOR THE 2013 TEXAS PECAN SEASON.

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