

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 2017 Crop							Crop Season ***		Crop
	Oct 24	Oct 25	Oct 26	Oct 27	Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30	2017	2016	Final 2016
Pecan-In-shell	167	297	479	366	42	0	45	4,254	5,116	59,457
Pecan-Shelled	181	360	431	262	74	0	501	15,686	15,230	88,074

* 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-Atlanta, GA)

Deliveries were lighter this week for large and truckload lots. Growers are taking their time to grade out the pecans before sending to market trying to get the best prices available. Prices remain about steady. Commercial shellers are not as active and seem to be waiting for the market to settle. Export sales and retail gift-pack businesses are active.

Weather conditions for this week throughout the state are forecast with evening and morning temps in the high 40s to low 50s with daytime temps in the high 60s to low 70s. Cold temps and a slight freeze on Monday, October 30 were a boon to pecans still on the trees.

Deliveries of small lots of Blends under 20,000 pounds with 51-52% meat yield (nut count 51-57) sold in a range of about \$5.06-5.51 per point. Larger lots of Blends with 51% meat yield (nut count 60) sold for about \$5.27 per point. Prices for Blends are lower.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon October 26, through late afternoon October 31, 2017) 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. **Creek** (deliveries very light) 50-53% meat yield 235-281 **Desirables** (deliveries moderate) 49-54% meat yield (nut count 50-60) 228-303 mostly 271-287 50-53% meat yield (nut count 64-75) 211-241 mostly 220-226 yard tree lots 150 occasional higher

Elliott (deliveries light) 51-53% meat yield 260 **Moneymakers** (deliveries light) yard tree lots 100-125 mostly 115

Schley (deliveries insufficient to establish market) Seedlings (deliveries very light) 43% meat yield 150 yard tree lots 100-105 few 70-80

Stuarts (deliveries very light) 46-49% meat yield 260-280 yard tree lots 100-150 mostly 100-125 few low as 80

Lots in excess of 20,000 pounds including trailer loads:

Cape Fear (deliveries light) 49.5% meat yield or better 305 Desirables (deliveries light) 50-53% meat yield 287-319 Elliott (deliveries insufficient to establish market) Moneymakers (deliveries insufficient to establish market) Schley (deliveries insufficient to establish market) Stuarts (deliveries very light) 47% meat yield or better 275-290

THE NEXT GEORGIA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017.

Prices paid to growers continued:

LOUISIANA (via: Forest Park-Atlanta, GA)

Light shipments of yard tree lots mostly Natives/Seedlings and a few Improved varieties showed up this week. Some lots are reported to have excess moisture and black rot. Prices are slightly lower. Most of the larger lots are being picked up and sorted through and will be available sometime next week. Volume is expected to be light. Most of the pecans are being sold for retail off the farm or for gift pack sales, with a few Desirables, Candy and Elliott harvested.

The weather forecast throughout most of the state this week calls for mild temps with evening and morning lows mostly in the mid 60s to low 70s and daytime highs in the mid 70s to low 80s.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon Tuesday, October 24 through late afternoon Tuesday, October 31, 2017) at buyers delivery points 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.

Natives/Seedlings (deliveries light) machine harvested 38-40% meat yield 100-105 yard tree lots 75-80

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OKLAHOMA (via: Oklahoma Department of Agriculture Market News Service)

Pecan harvesting and marketing continues to build momentum in southern Oklahoma and is just beginning in northern counties. Machine harvesting is expected to begin this week. Deliveries by growers to buying points were light to moderate in southern and south central Oklahoma. Demand was fairly good for the early offerings. Overall quality of early Native pecans fair to good. Early harvesting of Improved varieties for gift box and retail trade continues but no sales confirmed.

The weather forecast this week calling for highs in low 80s to mid 70s and lows in upper 50s to mid 40s.

Prices paid to growers (noon Tuesday, October 24, 2017 to noon Tuesday, October 31, 2017) at buyers delivery points 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.

Natives/Seedlings (deliveries light to moderate) yard tree lots 70-80.

THE NEXT OKLAHOMA REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE ISSUED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017.

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

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were very light. Demand was good for good quality pecans. Pawnee are currently being harvested, as well as Natives. Harvesting is expected to increase during the weeks leading up to Christmas.

Texas is projected to harvest a moderate sized crop of 50 million pounds of pecans during the 2017 season. Timely early rains countered much of the later damage caused to a good amount of the crop by Hurricane Harvey. Pecans are expected to run on the small size this season. Much buying interest has been expressed for the export trade to China, and efforts are underway to establish similar ties with India.

The weather forecast for Tuesday, October 31, 2017 calls for a temperature range from 44-63 degrees, with a 40-70% chance of precipitation. The rest of the week is expected to have low temperatures ranging from 53-69, and highs from 77-91, with a 0-20% chance of precipitation.

Demand was fairly good for the retail and gift pack trade. Due to very light volumes, buyers are making purchases from other production areas or are waiting for additional availability of pecans.

Prices paid to growers (from the start of the season to Tuesday, October 31, 2017) at buyers delivery points 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.

Natives/Seedlings (deliveries light) machine harvested 90-125 mostly 100-110 yard tree lots 70-90 mostly 75-85 occasional lower

Pawnee (deliveries very light) 50-54% meat yield 225-260 mostly 230-250

THIS IS THE FIRST TEXAS REPORT OF THE SEASON. THE NEXT REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017.

FORMULA FOR DOLLAR PER POINT VALUES AND CENTS PER POUND:

CENTS PER POUND DIVIDED BY MEAT YIELD EQUALS DOLLAR PER POINT. DOLLAR PER POINT TIMES MEAT YIELD EQUALS CENTS PER POUND.