



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 Final 2017
	Nov 27	Nov 28	Nov 29	Nov 30	Dec 01	Dec 02	Dec 03	2018	2017	
Pecan-In-shell	1458	1378	861	1575	0	0	0	25,292	18,312	52,349
Pecan-Shelled	425	357	438	550	0	0	0	36,892	24,633	90,462

* 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)

The weather forecast for the week shows cool temps with rain for the weekend. Evening lows in the high 20s to low 40s and daytime highs in the high 40s to low 60s. It will be considerably cooler in the northern areas of the state.

Some of the lots are showing signs of embryo, black rot and excess moisture. Growers with premium quality pecans are withholding and putting them into cold storage in anticipation that prices will increase later or early next year.

Some accumulators and shellers are cutting back on hours this week as door and yard tree offerings are light and sales are very slow.

Small lots of Blends with mainly Stuarts with (50-60 nut count) 41-48% meat yields sold in a range of about \$3.10-3.40 mostly \$3.20-3.30 per point. Other small lots of Blends with Desirables and 42-49% meat yields sold for about \$3.09-3.41 per point and other lots with 45-46% meat yields sold for about \$2.55-3.00 per point. Large lots of Blends with Stuarts and 49% meat yields sold in a range of about \$2.76-2.93 per point and Desirable Blends sold for about \$2.97-3.40 per point.

The retail gift pack business and the domestic trade is active, as they are purchasing from other areas to fill orders. The export trade has not materialized yet but sources are ready to fill orders soon.

Prices paid to growers (late afternoon November 27, 2018 thru late afternoon December 4, 2018) 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** (deliveries very light) 50-53% meat yield 158-197
- Desirables** (deliveries very light) 49-54% meat yield 170-201 47% meat yield 120, yard tree lots 50 occasional higher
- Elliott** (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 50 occasional higher
- Kiowa** (deliveries very light) 57-58% meat yield 192-216
- Moneymaker** (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 50 occasional higher
- Schley** (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 50 occasional higher
- Seedlings** (deliveries very light) 42-45% meat yield 100 yard tree lots 50 occasional higher
- Stuart** (deliveries very light) 40.5-46% meat yield 108-132 mostly 115-120 yard tree lots 50 occasional higher
- Sumner** (deliveries very light) 48.5-55% meat yield 170-185

Lots over 20,000 pounds: (including trailer loads)

- Cape Fear** (deliveries very light) 52-53% meat yield 158-197
- Desirables** (deliveries very light) 52-54% meat yield 170-201
- Sumner** (deliveries very light) 48-53% meat yield 170-180

THE NEXT GEORGIA PECAN REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018.

LOUISIANA (via: Forest Park-Atlanta GA)

Weather forecast shows evening and early morning lows in the mid-30s to mid-40s and daytime highs in the high 50s to mid-60s with a possibility of rain for the weekend.

Moisture along with embryo and black rot are of concern and bringing the overall percentage yields down with lower prices.

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Candy (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 70

Native/Seedlings (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 60

Elliott (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 90

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WESTERN REGION

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

Deliveries by growers to delivery points of Improved varieties were light. Demand was good for good quality pecans. Harvesting is currently going on in all regions, and is expected to increase seasonally. Harvested quality has been variable, due in part to weather conditions, as well as some crop damage caused by pecan weevils.

The weather forecast for the next week calls for low temperatures in the mid-20s to low 50s with highs in the mid-40s to low 70s. On Thursday, December 6, there is a 10-20 percent chance of precipitation, and on Friday, December 7, there is a 70-90 percent chance of precipitation.

Buying interest displayed by end users was fairly active 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. Deliveries and purchases of Improved varieties mostly Western Schley were light. Some growers are deferring making marketing decisions, opting instead to concentrate on harvesting and storing nuts for later sale.

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Western Schley 54-58% meat yield 190-220 mostly 195-205 occasional higher and lower

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TEXAS

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 expected to increase seasonally. Crop conditions have been variable, with some sprouting noted.

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

The weather forecast for the coming week calls for low temperatures from the mid-20s to low 60s, with high temperatures in the mid-40s to high 60s. There is 20-60 percent chance of precipitation on Thursday, December 6, a 100 percent chance of precipitation on Friday, December 7, and a 10-80 percent chance of precipitation on Saturday, December 8.

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Cheyenne (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Choctaw (deliveries insufficient to establish market)

Natives/Seedlings (deliveries light) machine harvested 80-100 mostly 80-90 occasional higher yard tree lots 65-80 mostly 65-80 occasional higher and lower

THE NEXT TEXAS REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018.

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

The bulk of this year's pecan harvest is completed. Clean-up harvesting will continue as weather and conditions allow. A severe winter storm is forecast for portions of western and central Oklahoma this week. Deliveries by growers to buying points remain extremely light. Demand was moderate to good. Low quality and weather damaged offerings continue being offered but demand for these is very light. Most of this year's high quality Improved and Native pecans varieties have moved directly to retail trade.

The weather forecast this week calling for highs in mid 50s to mid 30s and lows in low 40s to upper teens.

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Natives/Seedlings (deliveries very light) yard tree lots 60-75.

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