



# Pecan Production

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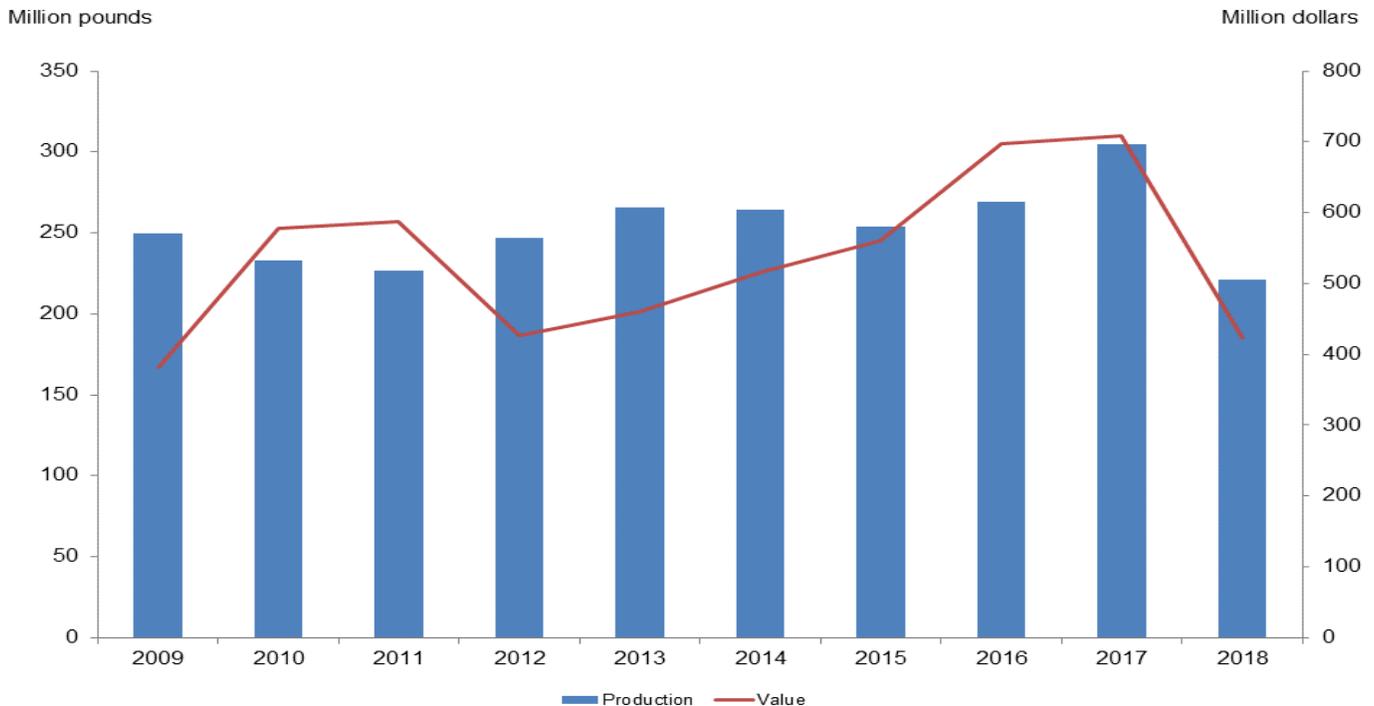
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## Pecan Production Down 27 Percent From Previous Year

Utilized production in 2018 totaled 221 million pounds, down 27 percent from 2017. Bearing acreage was estimated at 398,900, down 1 percent from the previous year. The average yield per acre was 555 pounds per acre, down 198 pounds from the previous year. The value of the crop totaled \$423 million, down 40 percent from the previous season, with an average annual price of \$1.91 per pound.

Improved variety pecan production, at 207 million pounds, declined 26 percent from the previous season. Improved variety pecans account for 94 percent of the US total pecan production. Native and seedling variety production totaled 13.9 million pounds, down 47 percent from 2017. New Mexico pecan production surpassed Georgia for the first time since 2006. In Georgia, pecan production was the lowest since 2006. This was the result of Hurricane Michael negatively impacting much of the pecan growing region. In addition, wet conditions in the summer months increased disease pressure and later limited the harvest of nuts blown off trees.

**Pecan Production and Value  
United States 2009 - 2018**



**Pecan Bearing Acreage, Yield, Production, Price, and Value – States and United States: 2016-2018**

State	Bearing acreage			Yield per acre <sup>1</sup>		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama .....	8,900	8,400	7,500	247	220	220
Arizona .....	15,000	16,000	17,000	1,653	1,750	1,500
California .....	3,500	3,600	3,500	1,648	1,389	1,380
Georgia .....	120,000	120,000	110,000	908	892	510
Louisiana .....	12,300	12,300	13,400	325	650	450
New Mexico .....	40,000	43,500	45,500	1,800	2,115	1,980
Oklahoma .....	94,000	86,000	90,000	128	163	100
Texas .....	100,000	115,000	112,000	390	426	250
United States .....	393,700	404,800	398,900	682	753	555

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**Pecan Bearing Acreage, Yield, Production, Price, and Value – States and United States:  
2016-2018 (continued)**

State	Utilized production		
	2016 (1,000 pounds)	2017 (1,000 pounds)	2018 (1,000 pounds)
Alabama .....	2,200	1,850	1,650
Improved .....	1,900	1,600	1,518
Native and seedling .....	300	250	132
Arizona .....	24,800	28,000	25,500
Improved .....	24,800	28,000	25,500
California .....	5,770	5,000	4,830
Improved .....	5,770	5,000	4,830
Georgia .....	109,000	107,000	56,100
Improved .....	109,000	107,000	56,100
Louisiana .....	4,000	8,000	6,030
Improved .....	1,500	3,000	2,515
Native and seedling .....	2,500	5,000	3,515
New Mexico .....	72,000	92,000	90,090
Improved .....	72,000	92,000	90,090
Oklahoma .....	12,000	14,000	9,000
Improved .....	3,000	3,000	2,970
Native and seedling .....	9,000	11,000	6,030
Texas .....	39,000	49,000	28,000
Improved .....	32,000	39,000	23,800
Native and seedling .....	7,000	10,000	4,200
United States .....	268,770	304,850	221,200
Improved .....	249,970	278,600	207,323
Native and seedling .....	18,800	26,250	13,877

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**Pecan Bearing Acreage, Yield, Production, Price, and Value – States and United States:  
2016-2018 (continued)**

State	Price per pound			Value of utilized production		
	2016 (dollars)	2017 (dollars)	2018 (dollars)	2016 (1,000 dollars)	2017 (1,000 dollars)	2018 (1,000 dollars)
Alabama .....	2.030	1.960	1.480	4,467	3,628	2,439
Improved .....	2.130	2.030	1.500	4,047	3,248	2,277
Native and seedling .....	1.400	1.520	1.230	420	380	162
Arizona .....	2.710	2.500	2.030	67,208	70,000	51,765
Improved .....	2.710	2.500	2.030	67,208	70,000	51,765
California .....	2.540	2.300	2.000	14,656	11,500	9,660
Improved .....	2.540	2.300	2.000	14,656	11,500	9,660
Georgia .....	2.500	2.400	1.630	272,500	256,800	91,443
Improved .....	2.500	2.400	1.630	272,500	256,800	91,443
Louisiana .....	1.540	1.530	1.030	6,175	12,250	6,207
Improved .....	1.950	2.000	1.350	2,925	6,000	3,395
Native and seedling .....	1.300	1.250	0.800	3,250	6,250	2,812
New Mexico .....	2.960	2.400	2.190	213,120	220,800	197,297
Improved .....	2.960	2.400	2.190	213,120	220,800	197,297
Oklahoma .....	2.060	1.730	1.660	24,660	24,230	14,972
Improved .....	2.670	2.100	2.300	8,010	6,300	6,831
Native and seedling .....	1.850	1.630	1.350	16,650	17,930	8,141
Texas .....	2.410	2.250	1.740	94,020	110,010	48,762
Improved .....	2.540	2.390	1.830	81,280	93,210	43,554
Native and seedling .....	1.820	1.680	1.240	12,740	16,800	5,208
United States .....	2.590	2.330	1.910	696,806	709,218	422,545
Improved .....	2.660	2.400	1.960	663,746	667,858	406,222
Native and seedling .....	1.760	1.580	1.180	33,060	41,360	16,323

<sup>1</sup> Yield is based on utilized production.

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