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PECAN PRODUCTION

ARIZONA

Arizona's utilized pecan production in 2019 was a record high 36.50 million pounds, up 31 percent from the utilized production of 27.90 million pounds in 2018. Bearing acreage was estimated at 19,000 acres, up 12 percent from the previous year. The average yield per acre was 1,920 pounds, up 280 pounds from the previous year.

The 2019 price per pound in Arizona at \$2.04, was \$0.17 higher than in 2018. The value of 2019 Arizona pecan production was a record high \$74.46 million dollars, up 43 percent from 2018.

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico's utilized pecan production in 2019 was a record high 96.60 million pounds, up 6 percent from the utilized production of 91.10 million pounds in 2018. Bearing acreage was estimated at 46,000 acres, unchanged from the previous year. The average yield per acre was 2,100 pounds, up 120 pounds from the previous year.

The 2019 price per pound in New Mexico at \$1.76, was \$0.14 lower than in 2018. The value of 2019 New Mexico pecan production was \$170.02 million dollars, down 2 percent from 2018.

UNITED STATES

Utilized production in 2019 totaled 265 million pounds, up 14 percent for comparable States from 2018. Bearing acreage was estimated at 396,000, up 3 percent for comparable States from the previous year. The average yield was 668 pounds per acre, up 66 pounds for comparable States from the previous year. In 2019, the value of the crop totaled \$469 million, up 14 percent for comparable States from the previous season with an average annual price of \$1.77 per pound.

Improved variety pecan production, at 242 million pounds, increased 10 percent for comparable States from the previous year. Improved variety pecans accounted for 92 percent of the United States total pecan production. Native and seedling variety production totaled 22 million pounds, up significantly for comparable States from 2018. New Mexico had the highest utilized production (in-shell basis) at 96.6 million pounds, followed by Georgia at 69.0 million pounds (in-shell basis). In Georgia, many trees were still recovering from the effects of last year's Hurricane Michael, including broken roots and loss of fruiting limbs. In addition, hot dry weather in late August through October negatively impacted the Georgia yield.

Beginning in 2019, pecan estimates were discontinued in Alabama, California, and Louisiana.

For a full copy of the *Pecan Production* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov. For state specific questions please contact:

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