

California League of Food Producers
Tomato Statistics Report
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U.S. Processed Tomato Stocks-on-Hand Report for March 1, 2024

Total inventories of U.S. processed tomato products were approximately 7.5 million tons, stated on a raw product equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2024, according to a report released today by the California League of Food Producers. Inventory is up 41% from the prior year level. Apparent disappearance of tomato stocks has decreased 1.8%, totaling approximately 8.8 million tons during the nine-month period of June 1, 2023 to March 1, 2024, as compared to the prior reporting period.

Total bulk tomato paste stocks, including inventory held for remanufacture, were estimated to total approximately 5.9 million tons, on a raw product "paid-for tons" equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2024.

The U.S. bulk tomato paste-for-sale inventory on March 1, 2024 was approximately 4.1 million tons, on a raw product "paid-for tons" equivalent basis.

CLFP statistics reports are **estimates**, assuming 100% reporting, of the total U.S. processed tomato supply based on voluntary reports from processors throughout the United States. Participating processors handle approximately 95.1% of total U.S. tonnage of processing tomatoes, and 99% of paste production.

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U.S. Processed Tomato Supply & Movement

The 2023-2024 U.S. Processed Tomato Supply and Movement reported is based on 95.1% of the industry reporting data. All numbers are rounded to the nearest 1,000 lbs. for the purposes of this report.

March	2022-2023	2023-2024	% + / -	2023-2024
Inventory June 1 of prior reporting year	3,296,000	3,053,000	-7.4%	3,053,000
Pack	11,018,000	13,269,000	20.4%	13,269,000
Total Supply	14,314,000	16,322,000	14.0%	16,322,000

(assuming 100% reporting)

(actual – estimated 95.1% of industry reporting)

March 1 Inventory	5,302,000	7,476,000	41.0%	7,110,000
9 Month Disappearance	9,013,000	8,847,000	-1.8%	9,212,000
Monthly Disappearance	1,001,000	983,000	-1.8%	1,024,000

This report is an **estimate** of total U.S. supply and demand for processed tomato products. Reports are based on voluntary pack and inventory reports furnished by participating U.S. processors.

All positions are stated on a "raw product tons" equivalent basis.

CLFP "Pack Year" begins June 1 and ends May 31.

2023-2024 pack year statistics based on reports from processors handling 95.1% of U.S. tonnage.



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TO U.S. TOMATO PROCESSORS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:

Listed below are the 2023-2024 Bulk Tomato Paste and Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" pack and inventory **estimates** as of March 1, 2024 for U.S. Tomato Processors. The 2023-2024 U.S. Processed Tomato Supply and Movement reported is based on an estimated 99% of the industry reported data for <u>bulk tomato paste</u>. Representation below is assuming 100% reporting as well as actual paste as reported. All numbers are rounded to the nearest 1,000 lbs. for the purposes of this report.

Total Bulk Tomato Paste Pack and Inventory					
	2022-2023 (assuming 100% reporting)	2023-2024 (assuming 100% reporting)	2023-2024 (as reported)		
Total Bulk Tomato Paste Pack (including bulk "paste for sale" and paste held for companies' own remanufacture operations)	7,860,000	9,755,000	9,657,000		
Total Bulk Tomato Paste Inventory as of December 1	4,951,000	7,182,000	7,110,000		
Total Bulk Tomato Paste Inventory as of March 1	3,533,000	5,871,000	5,813,000		

Total Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" Stock in Drums, Bins & Bulk					
	2022-2023 (assuming 100% reporting)	2023-2024 (assuming 100% reporting)	2023-2024 (as reported)		
Total Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" Pack	6,716,000	8,538,000	8,452,000		
Total Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" Inventory as of December 1	3,596,000	5,042,000	4,992,000		
Total Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" Inventory as of March 1	2,461,000	4,113,000	4,072,000		

<u>Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale"</u> – Bulk tomato paste, converted to a raw product "paid for tons" equivalent, being held in drums, bins, and bulk, that has been packed to be sold. The estimates do not include bulk paste being held for companies' own remanufacture, or paste in food service or retail/consumer package sizes.

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