



CLFP Tomato Statistics Report

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U.S. PROCESSED TOMATO STOCKS-ON-HAND REPORT FOR MARCH 1, 2008

Inventories of U.S. processed tomato products were close to 7.3 million tons, stated on a raw product equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2008, according to a report released today by the California League of Food Processors. Inventory is 26% above the prior year level. Apparent disappearance of tomato stock increased 11% to 8.4 million tons during the nine month period of June 1, 2007 to March 1, 2008, compared to the prior reporting period.

Total bulk tomato paste stocks, including inventory held for remanufacture, were estimated to total approximately 5 million tons, on a raw product $\text{\textcircled{p}}$ paid-for tons $\text{\textcircled{o}}$ equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2008.

The U.S. bulk tomato paste-for-sale inventory on March 1, 2008 was 2.9 million tons, on a raw product $\text{\textcircled{p}}$ paid-for tons $\text{\textcircled{o}}$ equivalent basis.

CLFP statistics reports are estimates of the total U.S. processed tomato supply, based on voluntary reports from processors throughout the United States. Participating processors handle 92.79% of total U.S. tonnage of processing tomatoes.