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U.S. PROCESSED TOMATO STOCKS-ON-HAND REPORT FOR MARCH 1, 2015

Inventories of U.S. processed tomato products were close to 7.8 million tons, stated on a raw product equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2015, according to a report released today by the California League of Food Processors. Inventory is up 7% from the prior year level. Apparent disappearance of tomato stock increased 3% to about 10.9 million tons during the nine month period of June 1, 2014 to March 1, 2015, compared to the prior reporting period.

Total bulk tomato paste stocks, including inventory held for remanufacture, were estimated to total close to 5.5 million tons, on a raw product "paid-for tons" equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2015.

The U.S. bulk tomato paste-for-sale inventory on March 1, 2015 was 3.4 million tons, on a raw product "paid-for tons" 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 86.6% of total U.S. tonnage of processing tomatoes.
