

California League of Food Processors Tomato Statistics Report January 5, 2015

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

Inventories of U.S. processed tomato products were close to 13.4 million tons, stated on a raw product equivalent basis, as of December 1, 2015, according to a report released today by the California League of Food Processors. Inventory is up 20% from prior year levels. Apparent disappearance of tomato stock decreased 11%, totaling approximately 6.6 million tons during the six month period of June 1, 2015 to December 1, 2015, as compared to the prior reporting period.

Total bulk tomato paste stocks, including inventory held for remanufacture, were estimated to total 9.7 million tons, on a raw product "paid-for tons" equivalent basis, as of December 1, 2015.

The U.S. bulk tomato paste-for-sale inventory on December 1, 2015 was approximately 7.2 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 94.38% of total U.S. tonnage of processing tomatoes.