



California League of Food Processors Tomato Statistics Report  
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### **U.S. PROCESSED TOMATO STOCKS-ON-HAND REPORT FOR MARCH 1, 2016**

Inventories of U.S. processed tomato products are just over 9.5 million tons, stated on a raw product equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2016, according to a report released today by the California League of Food Processors. Inventory is up 22% from prior year levels. Apparent disappearance of tomato stocks decreased 6%, totaling approximately 10.2 million tons during the nine month period of June 1, 2015 to March 1, 2016, as compared to the prior reporting period.

Total bulk tomato paste stocks, including inventory held for remanufacture, were estimated to total 7.3 million tons, on a raw product “paid-for tons” equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2016.

The U.S. bulk tomato paste-for-sale inventory on March 1, 2016 was approximately 5.2 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 95.88% of total U.S. tonnage of processing tomatoes.

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