

California League of Food Processors Tomato Statistics Report March 30, 2017

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U.S. PROCESSED TOMATO STOCKS-ON-HAND REPORT FOR March 1, 2017

Inventories of U.S. processed tomato products are estimated to be approximately 10.5 million tons, stated on a raw product equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2017, per a report released today by the California League of Food Processors. Inventory has increased 10% from the prior year. Apparent disappearance of tomato stock has decreased by 5%, totaling approximately 9.7 million tons during the nine-month period of June 1, 2016 to March 1, 2017, as compared to the prior reporting period.

Total bulk tomato paste stocks, including inventory held for remanufacture, were estimated to be at 8.2 million tons, on a raw product "paid-for tons" equivalent basis, as of March 1, 2017.

The U.S. bulk tomato paste-for-sale inventory on March 1, 2017 is estimated to be approximately 5.4 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 93.05% of total U.S. tonnage of processing tomatoes.