



California League of Food Producers
**2023-2024 U.S. BULK TOMATO PASTE
 SUPPLIES & DECEMBER 1 INVENTORY**

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TO U.S. TOMATO PROCESSORS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:

Listed below are the 2023-2024 Bulk Tomato Paste and Bulk Tomato “Paste for Sale” pack and inventory **estimates** as of December 1, 2023 for U.S. Tomato Processors. The 2023-2024 U.S. Processed Tomato Supply and Movement reported is based on an estimated 99% of the industry reported data for bulk tomato paste. Representation below is assuming 100% reporting as well as actual paste as reported. All numbers are rounded to the nearest 1,000 lbs. for the purposes of this report.

Total Bulk Tomato Paste Pack and Inventory			
	<u>2022-2023</u> (assuming 100% reporting)	<u>2023-2024</u> (assuming 100% reporting)	<u>2023-2024</u> (As reported)
Total Bulk Tomato Paste Pack (including bulk "paste for sale" and paste held for companies' own remanufacture operations)	7,860,000	9,755,000	9,657,000
Total Bulk Tomato Paste Inventory as of December 1	4,951,000	7,182,000	7,110,000

Total Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" Stock in Drums, Bins & Bulk			
	<u>2022-2023</u> (assuming 100% reporting)	<u>2023-2024</u> (assuming 100% reporting)	<u>2023-2024</u> (As reported)
Total Bulk Tomato “Paste for Sale” Pack	6,716,000	8,538,000	8,452,000
Total Bulk Tomato “Paste for Sale” Inventory as of December 1	3,596,000	5,042,000	4,992,000

Bulk Tomato “Paste for Sale” – Bulk tomato paste, converted to a raw product “paid for tons” equivalent, being held in drums, bins, and bulk, that has been packed to be sold. The estimates do not include bulk paste being held for companies’ own remanufacture or paste in food service or retail/consumer package sizes.

CLFP "Pack Year" begins June 1 and ends May 31.