

California League of Food Producers TOMATO STATISTICS REPORT January 15, 2024

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U.S. Processed Tomato Stocks-on-Hand Report for December 1, 2023

Total inventories of U.S. processed tomato products were approximately 9.6 million tons, stated on a raw product equivalent basis, as of December 1, 2023, according to a report released today by the California League of Food Producers. Inventory is up 29.6% from the prior year level. Apparent disappearance of tomato stocks has decreased 2.7%, totaling approximately 6.7 million tons during the six-month period of June 1, 2023 to December 1, 2023, as compared to the prior reporting period.

Total bulk tomato paste stocks, including inventory held for remanufacture, were estimated to total approximately 7.2 million tons, on a raw product "paid-for tons" equivalent basis, as of December 1, 2023.

The U.S. bulk tomato paste-for-sale inventory on December 1, 2023 was approximately 5 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 95.1% of total U.S. tonnage of processing tomatoes, and 99% of total U.S. paste production.

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