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2025 California Processing Tomato Report



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As of May 15, California's tomato processors reported they have or will have contracts for 10.3 million tons of processing tomatoes for 2025. This production estimate is 1 percent above the January intentions forecast of 10.2 million tons and 7 percent below the final 2024 contracted production.

The May contracted acreage of 205,000 is 3 percent above the January intentions forecast of 200,000 acres and 23,000 acres less than last year's final planted acreage.

Fresno County remains the top California county in contracted planted acreage for 2025 with 53,400 acres. Yolo, Merced, Kings and San Joaquin make up the remaining top five counties, accounting for 68 percent of the 2025 total contracted planted acreage for California.

This year's transplanting season began in late February without delay. The developing crop has experienced mostly mild spring temperatures and a few storms, lessening the need for irrigation. There are sufficient water allocations to support the crop through the summer heat. Neither pest nor disease threats have been reported at this point in the season. Processors anticipate harvest to begin and end on schedule, similar to 2024.

Tomato supplies continued to be adequate enough to meet global demand and tomato processors have significantly decreased contracted acreage and tonnage in order to rebalance inventories on hand.

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Contract only

ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION (CONTRACT AND TOTAL) - CALIFORNIA

		l otal crop		Contract only				
Year	Planted	Harvested	Production	Planted	Harvested	Produ	ction	
Toai	acres		tons	acres		tons	metric tons	
2006	283,000	282,000	10,104,000	280,000	279,000	10,024,000	9,094,000	
2007	301,000	296,000	12,082,000	298,000	293,000	11,965,000	10,854,000	
2008	281,000	279,000	11,822,000	278,000	276,000	11,691,000	10,606,000	
2009	312,000	308,000	13,314,000	308,000	304,000	13,148,000	11,928,000	
2010	271,000	270,000	12,297,000	269,000	268,000	12,212,000	11,079,000	
2011	255,000	250,000	11,941,000	254,000	249,000	11,900,000	10,796,000	
2012	260,000	258,000	12,640,000	258,000	256,000	12,540,000	11,376,000	
2013	263,000	260,000	12,100,000	259,000	256,000	11,900,000	10,796,000	
2014	292,000	289,000	14,010,000	291,000	288,000	13,965,000	12,669,000	
2015	299,000	296,000	14,361,000	297,000	295,000	14,307,000	12,979,000	
2016	262,000	258,000	12,647,000	260,000	256,000	12,527,000	11,364,000	
2017	230,000	222,000	10,464,000	229,000	221,000	10,407,000	9,441,000	
2018	241,000	236,000	12,284,000	235,000	230,000	11,994,000	10,881,000	
2019	235,000	228,000	11,186,000	234,000	227,000	11,130,000	10,097,000	
2020	234,000	228,000	11,312,000	234,000	228,000	11,312,000	10,262,000	
2021	230,000	228,000	10,765,000	229,000	227,000	10,730,000	9,734,000	
2022	231,000	225,000	10,496,000	230,000	224,000	10,464,000	9,493,000	
2023	269,000	255,000	12,805,000	268,000	254,000	12,752,000	11,568,000	
2024	228,000	222,000	11,091,000	227,800	221,800	11,081,000	10,053,000	
2025	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	205,000	(NA)	10,300,000	9,344,000	

(NA) Not available.

CALIFORNIA PROCESSING TOMATOES BY COUNTY

		2025			
County	Area planted	Area harvested	Yield per acre	Production ¹	Contracted
	acres		tons		acres
Butte	1,340	1,340	49.10	65,800	1,100
Colusa	14,800	14,700	52.05	765,200	11,900
Contra Costa	3,400	3,400	57.94	197,000	3,500
Fresno	55,600	54,900	53.46	2,935,000	53,400
Glenn	1,250	1,250	38.96	48,700	1,700
Kern	11,000	11,000	52.26	574,900	5,300
Kings	25,200	24,900	48.15	1,199,000	18,800
Madera	6,800	6,800	53.41	363,200	5,200
Merced	21,500	21,500	47.72	1,026,000	22,300
Monterey	150	150	44.67	6,700	0
Sacramento	4,300	4,100	60.93	249,800	5,800
San Joaquin	14,700	14,500	47.38	687,000	14,500
Santa Clara	480	480	52.29	25,100	420
Solano	14,800	11,100	44.34	492,200	9,800
Stanislaus	9,500	9,100	45.97	418,300	6,600
Sutter	9,200	9,200	45.09	414,800	10,600
Tulare	2,300	2,300	62.61	144,000	2,100
Yolo	30,700	30,300	47.03	1,425,000	30,500
Yuba	280	280	54.64	15,300	440
Other Counties ²	700	700	54.29	38,000	1,040
Total	228,000	222,000	49.96	11,091,000	205,000

¹ On the basis of "paid for tonnage" purchased from growers as reported by processors, dockage not included.

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 $^{^2}$ To avoid disclosure of individual operations, "Other Counties" includes San Benito and Tehama for 2024 and 2025.