

California Processing Tomato Report



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As of May 22, California's tomato processors reported they have or will have contracts for 14.0 million tons of processing tomatoes for 2014. This production is a 17.6 percent increase from the final contracted production total from last year.

The May contracted acreage of 285,000 is two percent below the January intentions forecast, but 10 percent above from last year's final contracted acreage.

Fresno County remains the top California County in contracted planted acreage for 2014 with 90,000 acres. Yolo, Kings, San Joaquin, Merced, and Colusa County make up the remaining top five counties for contracted

planted acreage, respectively. These counties make up 80 percent of the 2014 total contracted planted acreage for California.

Tomato beds were formed and received pre-plant herbicides in February. Processing tomato transplants were planted in early spring as allowed by weather and soil conditions.

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ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION (CONTRACT AND TOTAL) - CALIFORNIA

Year	Total crop			Contract only			
	Planted acres	Harvested acres	Production tons	Planted acres	Harvested acres	Production	
						Tons	Metric tons
1991	322,000	312,000	9,893,520	320,000	310,000	9,820,000	8,908,557
1992	242,000	240,000	7,932,000	238,600	236,600	7,830,140	7,103,386
1993	282,000	274,000	8,951,707	280,000	272,000	8,890,240	8,065,092
1994	318,000	311,000	10,745,560	315,000	308,000	10,632,160	9,645,336
1995	331,000	317,000	10,605,787	329,000	315,000	10,472,980	9,500,930
1996	318,000	313,000	10,658,741	315,000	310,000	10,540,000	9,561,730
1997	270,000	260,000	9,342,309	267,000	257,000	9,241,720	8,383,950
1998	282,000	280,000	8,892,800	280,000	278,000	8,845,960	8,024,922
1999	337,000	329,000	12,239,300	332,000	324,000	11,990,270	10,877,393
2000	289,000	271,000	10,286,500	285,000	267,000	10,131,000	9,190,691
2001	258,000	254,000	8,640,140	255,000	251,000	8,563,570	7,768,742
2002	296,000	291,000	11,056,000	290,000	285,000	10,806,400	9,803,404
2003	289,000	274,000	9,252,000	286,000	271,000	9,141,000	8,292,578
2004	301,000	281,000	11,672,000	293,000	273,000	11,000,000	9,979,035
2005	267,000	264,000	9,600,000	263,000	260,000	9,440,000	8,563,826
2006	283,000	282,000	10,104,000	280,000	279,000	10,024,000	9,093,622
2007	301,000	296,000	12,082,000	298,000	293,000	11,965,000	10,854,468
2008	281,000	279,000	11,822,000	278,000	276,000	11,691,000	10,605,900
2009	312,000	308,000	13,314,000	308,000	304,000	13,148,000	11,927,668
2010	271,000	270,000	12,297,000	269,000	268,000	12,212,000	11,078,543
2011	255,000	250,000	11,941,000	254,000	249,000	11,900,000	10,795,501
2012	260,000	258,000	12,640,000	258,000	256,000	12,540,000	11,376,100
2013	263,000	260,000	12,100,000	259,000	256,000	11,900,000	10,795,501
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CALIFORNIA PROCESSING TOMATOES, ACREAGE BY COUNTY

County	2013 Total crop		2014 contracted acreage
	Planted acres	Harvested acres	
Colusa	11,000	11,000	16,000
Fresno	99,000	98,000	90,000
Kern	12,000	12,000	13,000
Kings	27,000	26,000	32,000
Madera	5,000	5,000	5,000
Merced	13,000	13,000	21,000
Sacramento	2,000	2,000	3,000
San Benito	2,000	2,000	1,000
San Joaquin	21,000	21,000	32,000
Solano	9,000	9,000	10,000
Stanislaus	13,000	13,000	11,000
Sutter	7,000	7,000	10,000
Yolo	35,000	34,000	36,000
Other Counties 1/ 2/	3,000	3,000	5,000
State Total	259,000	256,000	285,000

1/ Counties combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations include:

2013 - Contra Costa, Santa Clara, and Tulare

2014 - Contra Costa, Glenn, Monterey, and Santa Clara

2/ Revised June 1, 2017