



WORLD PROCESSING TOMATO COUNCIL

WPTC Crop update as of 1 July 2022

AMITOM countries

Egypt

Processing of the summer crop has started, and it is now at full capacity. No pests or insects. The weather is favorable for tomatoes to ripen fast. The forecast remains the same and quality is good in terms of color, brix & yield.

France

There were many hailstorms in the south-west over the last two weeks but only 17 hectares of tomatoes were destroyed out of the 2113 hectares planted in the country. All fields are ok with no diseases so far (with a risk of late blight in the south-west?) despite the last week's rains which were welcome after the heatwave which however caused some flower abortion. The harvest should start early, around 20 July in the south-east and at the end of July/early August in the south-west (c. 10 days early). The forecast is 155,000 tonnes.

Greece

Some localized hailstorms in the Centre and North of the country lead to the loss of about 10,000 tonnes of tomatoes so the forecast is further reduced to 370,000 tonnes. The weather has generally been warmer than usual so the harvest could be earlier than planned.

Hungary

Plants are developing well and there is no change to the forecast of 100,000 tonnes. This week heat waves reached Hungary as well, so the next days will be critical also for tomatoes due to drought. Irrigation capacities will be driven to peak.

Italy

North – A heatwave in June could fasten the ripening of the tomatoes and the harvest should start around 20 July for cherry and organic with the main conventional crop starting around 25 July. There is no change in the forecast of 2.75 million tonnes pending the confirmation of the surfaces planted, but field yields are expected to be lower than last year, to an average level. Plants are developing well with a good canopy and no diseases. There is some concerns relating to the availability of water towards the end of the season.

South - Contracts were finally signed at 130 euros per tonne for round tomatoes and 140 euros for long tomatoes after very long and tough negotiations. The first survey of surfaces show a 14% reduction compared with 2021 but some can be recovered with late planting, so the forecast is only 10% lower than in 2021. There is no issue with water availability in Foggia as dams are full but there are concerns in other regions (Toscana, Lazio, Campania, Molise, etc.) as it has not rained in recent

weeks. There are currently no diseases but some issue with maintaining a good temperature in the canopy as temperatures are currently over 35°C. The forecast remains 2.65 million tonnes maintaining the total for Italy at 5.4 million tonnes.

Portugal

The crop is developing well. After a few days of very high temperatures, they have lowered to about 18-22°C and it has been cloudy and windy for the last three days, slowing down the plant growth. The harvest should start at the end of July and the forecast remains unchanged at 1.45 million tonnes.

Spain

After a short heatwave during the second week in June, the temperatures have been unusually low for this time of the year (minimum temperatures down to 11°C) in Extremadura with some humidity in the morning which favours the development of diseases and nematodes, for which the fields are being treated. The harvest is expected to start during the last week of July in Extremadura and Andalusia (where normally it starts in early July). The forecast remains 2.385 million tonnes.

Tunisia

As of 22 June, 12,671 hectares have been planted. 5 companies have already started processing since 19 June, but the official opening of the 2022 tomato campaign scheduled for Thursday 30 June 24 processing units with a daily processing capacity of 37,000 tons will be in operation for a forecast of 850,000 tonnes of fresh tomatoes to be processed and a production of 130,000 tonnes of 28/30 paste. As of 05/31/2022, the stock of 28/30 paste was 39,000 tonnes.

Turkey

The weather has been slightly cool but generally dry except for some small showers in the last few days. The temperatures are expected to increase in the next few days. The harvest could be slightly late but there is no change to the forecast of 2.1 million tonnes.

Other Northern hemisphere countries

Brazil

Harvest started mid June with good climate conditions and with yields a little bit higher than planned. Surface planted is around 18,000 hectares and the forecast remains 1.6 million metric tonnes.

California

To date the crop continues to progress well. The expected start dates will be a few days later than 2021. The July crop looks pretty good at this point. There is some concern about curly top and diseases in certain parts of the state on the later crop. We will continue to be monitoring those areas. Harvest is expected to start next week with some organic production.

Other US States

Midwest mostly in a drier pattern of weather. No disease issues.

Canada

The weather here has been quite warm and relatively dry to date. Overall, the tomato crop looks good, but could use a bit of rain. Harvest is set to begin mid-August, with total contracted tonnage of 550,453 short tons (499,363 metric tonnes).

Southern hemisphere countries

South Africa

South Africa planned 2,200 hectares for 166,000 tonnes crop to be harvested in 2022. About 50% of planned volumes have already been processed. The season will end in October 2022 and currently forecast to a 130,000 tonnes crop. The winter production areas received out of season precipitation, which put producer yields and factory deliveries to a declining trend. The raw tomato price, due to lower yields and high-risk factors are under pressure to compete with alternative crops in the farming areas.



WPTC World production estimate of tomatoes for processing
(in 1000 metric tonnes)

Date of last update: 01/07/2022

		2019		2020		2021		2022		AVERAGE	VARIATION	
		FINAL		FINAL		FINAL		FORECAST		2019-2021	2022 vs 2021	
NORTHERN HEMISPHERE*	MEMBERS IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA (AMITOM)	Algeria**	800	Mem.	800	Misc.	1 000	Misc.	800	Misc.	867	-20%
		Egypt	400	Mem.	420	Mem.	440	Mem.	440	Mem.	420	0%
		France	154	Mem.	136	Mem.	164	Mem.	155	Mem.	151	-5%
		Greece	400	Mem.	420	Mem.	420	Mem.	370	Mem.	413	-12%
		Hungary**	100	Mem.	82	Mem.	115	Mem.	100	Mem.	99	-13%
		Iran**	1 650	Mem.	1 300	Mem.	1 300	Est.	1 300	Est.	1 417	0%
		Israel	200	Mem.	200	Mem.	200	Est.	200	Est.	200	0%
		Italy	4 801	Mem.	5 166	Mem.	6 059	Mem.	5 400	Mem.	5 342	-11%
		Malta**	8	Est.	8	Est.	7	Mem.	7	Mem.	8	0%
		Portugal***	1 410	Mem.	1 262	Mem.	1 596	Mem.	1 450	Mem.	1 423	-9%
		Russia**	552	Mem.	515	Mem.	523	Mem.	600	Mem.	530	15%
		Spain**	3 200	Mem.	2 650	Mem.	3 185	Mem.	2 385	Mem.	3 012	-25%
		Syria**	42	Mem.	42	Est.	40	Est.	40	Est.	41	0%
		Tunisia	815	Mem.	961	Mem.	940	Mem.	850	Mem.	905	-10%
		Turkey	2 200	Mem.	2 500	Mem.	2 200	Mem.	2 100	Mem.	2 300	-5%
Ukraine**	720	Mem.	800	Mem.	800	Mem.	200	Mem.	773	-75%		
Subtotal AMITOM		17 452		17 262		18 989		16 397		17 901	-14%	
of which members in EU		10 073		9 724		11 546		9 867		10 448	-15%	
NORTHERN HEMISPHERE*	OTHER MEMBERS	Brazil	1 200	Mem.	1 421	Mem.	1 525	Mem.	1 600	Mem.	1 382	4,9%
		Canada	434	Mem.	438	Mem.	399	Mem.	500	Mem.	424	25%
		California	10 144	Mem.	10 258	Mem.	9 761	Mem.	10 614	Mem.	10 054	9%
		China	4 600	Mem.	5 800	Mem.	4 800	Mem.	5 800	Mem.	5 067	21%
		Japan	27	Mem.	23	Mem.	28	Mem.	29	Mem.	26	4%
		Subtotal Other Members	16 405		17 940		16 513		18 543		16 953	12,3%
NORTHERN HEMISPHERE*	NON MEMBERS	Bulgaria	40	Misc.	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	0%
		Czech Republic	25	Est.	25	Est.	25	Est.	25	Est.	25	0%
		Morocco	130	Est.	100	Misc.	100	Est.	100	Est.	110	0%
		Poland	175	Misc.	175	Est.	175	Est.	175	Est.	175	0%
		Slovakia	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	0%
		USA excluding California	370	Misc.	463	Misc.	462	Misc.	450	Misc.	432	-3%
Subtotal Non Members	760		823		822		810		802	-1%		
Total Northern Hemisphere		34 617		36 025		36 324		35 750		35 655	-1,6%	
of which WPTC members		33 857		35 202		35 502		34 940		34 854	-1,6%	
of which European Union		10 333		9 984		11 806		10 127		10 708	-14,2%	
SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE*	MEMBERS	Argentina	395	Mem.	454	Mem.	596	Mem.	626	Mem.	482	5,0%
		Australia	212	Mem.	210	Mem.	233	Mem.	227	Mem.	218	-2,6%
		Chile	1 100	Mem.	907	Mem.	1 174	Mem.	971	Mem.	1 060	-17,3%
		Peru	100	Mem.	100	Mem.	120	Mem.	125	Mem.	107	4,2%
		South Africa	140	Mem.	150	Mem.	125	Mem.	130	Mem.	138	4,0%
	Subtotal members	1 947		1 821		2 248		2 079		2 005	-7,5%	
	NON MEMBERS	Dominican Republic	258	Est.	181	Misc.	227	Misc.	227	Est.	222	0,0%
		India	154	Misc.	152	Misc.	162	Misc.	162	Est.	156	0,0%
		Mexico	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	0,0%
		New Zealand	50	Est.	50	Est.	50	Est.	52	Misc.	50	4,0%
Senegal		77	Misc.	73	Misc.	73	Est.	73	Est.	74	0,0%	
Thailand	43	Misc.	40	Misc.	40	Misc.	40	Est.	41	0,0%		
Venezuela	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	0,0%		
Subtotal non members	642		556		612		614		603	0,3%		
Total Southern Hemisphere		2 589		2 377		2 860		2 693		2 609	-5,8%	
GENERAL TOTAL		37 206		38 402		39 184		38 443		38 264	-1,9%	
of which members of the WPTC		35 804		37 023		37 750		37 019		36 859	-1,9%	
WPTC as percentage of total production		96%		96%		96%		96%		96%	0,0%	

Sources:

Mem.= WPTC members, Off.= Official data, Misc.= Other sources (industry contacts, press, ...), Est.= WPTC estimate, in the absence of reliable data

Notes:

*Hemispheres are not defined in the strict geographic sense but as Northern Hemisphere: crop period mainly July to December & Southern Hemisphere: crop period mainly January to June

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*** Tomatoes produced in Portugal but processed in Spain are reported in Spain

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