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2021 California Processing Tomato County Estimates



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The USDA-NASS Pacific Regional Office surveyed California's tomato processors for their final acreage and tonnage for the 2021 season. The reported data is summarized by county and listed with final 2020 acres, yield and production for comparison.

In 2021, there were 230,000 acres of processing tomatoes planted in California, a decrease of 4,000 acres compared to 2020. An estimated 228,000 acres were harvested in 2021, unchanged from the previous year. Total 2021 production was 10.8 million tons, 5% lower than the 2020 final production of 11.3 million tons.

Fresno County continued to be the top California county with 2.83 million tons produced. The remaining top five counties include Yolo, Kings, Merced and Colusa, accounting for 71% of the total 2021 processing tomato tonnage for California.

CALIFORNIA PROCESSING TOMATOES BY COUNTY

	Contracted and Open Market									
County	Planted acres		Harvested acres		Yield in tons per acre		Production in tons ¹			
County	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021		
Butte	400	700	400	700	44.4	26.0	17,760	18,200		
Colusa	12,800	13,400	12,700	13,200	51.2	49.5	650,400	652,900		
Contra Costa	3,100	2,600	3,070	2,600	56.1	64.7	172,300	168,200		
Fresno	72,000	62,900	69,600	62,700	52.0	45.2	3,622,000	2,832,000		
Glenn	1,500	1,100	1,440	1,100	43.1	46.4	62,120	51,000		
Imperial	0	300	0	300	0	26.2	0	7,870		
Kern	7,000	8,000	6,880	8,000	58.0	56.4	398,700	451,000		
Kings	28,400	29,900	28,200	29,800	52.0	46.9	1,466,000	1,396,000		
Madera	3,300	3,700	3,190	3,700	50.7	47.2	161,600	174,600		
Merced	24,800	24,900	24,600	24,900	46.6	46.5	1,146,000	1,157,000		
Sacramento	1,500	4,500	1,240	4,500	50.1	36.4	62,170	163,900		
San Joaquin	16,200	16,100	14,800	14,900	44.0	43.7	651,600	650,700		
Solano	9,000	9,500	8,600	9,500	51.3	54.1	441,500	513,700		
Stanislaus	7,100	7,200	6,950	7,000	45.5	48.2	316,000	337,700		
Sutter	11,500	12,000	11,500	12,000	47.2	45.0	542,700	539,400		
Tulare	1,300	700	1,210	700	40.5	71.3	48,980	49,900		
Yolo	33,000	31,800	32,700	31,700	45.8	49.7	1,498,000	1,576,000		
Other Counties ²	1,100	700	920	700	59.2	49.7	54,426	34,811		
Total	234,000	230,000	228,000	228,000	49.6	47.3	11,312,256	10,774,881		

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

² To avoid disclosure of individual operations, "Other Counties" includes San Benito and Santa Clara.

ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION (CONTRACT AND TOTAL) - CALIFORNIA

	Total crop				Contract only				
Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production	
	a	acres		tons/acre tons		acres		tons	metric tons
2006	283,000	282,000	35.8	10,104,000	280,000	279,000	35.9	10,024,000	9,094,000
2007	301,000	296,000	40.8	12,082,000	298,000	293,000	40.8	11,965,000	10,854,000
2008	281,000	279,000	42.4	11,822,000	278,000	276,000	42.4	11,691,000	10,606,000
2009	312,000	308,000	43.2	13,314,000	308,000	304,000	43.3	13,148,000	11,928,000
2010	271,000	270,000	45.5	12,297,000	269,000	268,000	45.6	12,212,000	11,079,000
2011	255.000	250.000	47.8	11,941,000	254.000	249.000	47.8	11.900.000	10,796,000
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-	260,000	258,000	49.0	12,640,000	258,000	256,000	49.0	12,540,000	11,376,000
2013	263,000	260,000	46.5	12,100,000	259,000	256,000	46.5	11,900,000	10,796,000
2014	292,000	289,000	48.5	14,010,000	291,000	288,000	48.5	13,965,000	12,669,000
2015	299,000	296,000	48.5	14,361,000	297,000	295,000	48.5	14,307,000	12,979,000
2016	262,000	258,000	49.0	12,647,000	260,000	256,000	48.9	12,527,000	11,364,000
2017	230,000	222,000	47.1	10,464,000	229,000	221,000	47.1	10,407,000	9,441,000
2018	241,000	236,000	52.1	12,284,000	235,000	230,000	52.1	11,994,000	10,881,000
2019	235,000	228,000	49.1	11,186,000	234,000	227,000	49.0	11,130,000	10,097,000
2020	234,000	228,000	49.6	11,312,000	234,000	228,000	49.6	11,312,000	10,262,000
2021	230,000	228,000	47.3	10,775,000	229,000	227,000	47.3	10,739,000	9,742,000
2022	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	245,000	(NA)	49.8	12,200,000	11,068,000

(NA) Not available

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