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Tomato Council**

WPTC CROP UPDATE AS OF 19 SEPTEMBER 2025

AMITOM COUNTRIES

(Information collected during a videocall on Wednesday 17 September)

BULGARIA

The harvest is now progressing well with full volumes. Our harvesting for late tomatoes and at the end of September many processors will finish. The harvest is now progressing well with full volumes since yesterday. Quality is good with less green Brix averages 5 and colour almost good at 2.30-2.35.

The quality remains quite good, with very good Colour. There is a considerable area from one farmer to be harvested where tomato fields are still green which means the crop will continue into October.

EGYPT

The **summer crop** is almost done with about 98% of the volume and will finish by 20th September. It is going well at the moment. Then there will be a transition period with the small **Nili** crop until the end of December before the **winter crop** starts in January.

FRANCE

At the end of last week 140,000 tonnes had been processed with 7% penalties and an average brix of 5.08. This is 80% of the contracts. The quality is good but more and more green fruits are delivered to the factories. A few small plants have already closed but the harvest should continue for another 2 to 3 weeks and should reach the forecast of 175,000 tonnes or maybe reach 180,000 tonnes. Some rain is expected in the **south-west** next week, and maybe in the **south-east** too.

GREECE

The season is finished in the **South** and it will continue with small quantities until the end of September in the **Centre** where already 90-95 % of the volumes have been processed. In the centre the farm yields are very high and some of the tomatoes will not be harvested. The overall forecast is raised to 510,000 tonnes. Brix averages 5 and colour is good at 2.30-2.35.

HUNGARY

Leaving mid-September behind, we could be approaching the end of the season this weekend. However, the harvest has been hampered by rains in the past week, so the previously smoothly progressing processing has been disrupted by the precipitation. As previously reported, both the yield averages and the quality remain excellent. The quantity forecast has increased accordingly; we expect the total quantity to be around 95,000 tonnes.

IRAN

The situation has improved and there are more tomatoes and factories are at now at full capacity. The weather has cooled down to the high 20°C which favours the harvesting, and

there is no issue with water. Consequently, the forecast may increase to 1.8 million tonnes and maybe more as there are tomatoes available and low prices on the market.

ITALY

In the **North**, the last report available from OI Pomodoro North is updated to 07/09 with 2.18 million tonnes processed brix average of 5.15 and penalties of 4,18%. The week from 1st to 7 September shows a volume of 263,000 tonnes delivered with a weekly average brix of 4.87 that is lower compared to the previous weeks and quite normal for late crop tomatoes. Quality remains good.

For last week that ended 14 September official figures are not available yet, but we expect to have processed more than 300,000 tonnes since the rain we had was very limited and did not interrupt the harvest.

From now on, there are almost two weeks left of harvesting for late tomatoes and at the end of September many processors will finish. In October will remain a very little quantity.

We keep the forecast at 3 million tonnes which is an ambitious goal at the moment given the delivery situation, but we'll see how the harvest evolves this week and if the weather conditions (a low pressure system is expected to pass at the beginning of next week) will allow us to reach this target or not.

In the **Centre and South**, 2.05 million tonnes had been processed as of 8 September with data from last week still being collected. Heavy rain of up to 140 mm last Wednesday on the Tyrrhenian side stopped the harvest until Monday but it did not affect Puglia. The harvest is now progressing well with full volumes since yesterday. Quality is good with less green than earlier on. Yields are very poor in areas irrigated with the Occhito dam, sometimes as low as 25 tonnes per hectare and the average yields are expected to be around 75 t/ha, against a normal 80 t/ha.

The total expectation for Italy remains 5.5 million tonnes.

PORTUGAL

On the 7th of September we had the first rain that was mainly during the night with no major consequences. Last week and specially this week the weather is quite good with temperatures between 30-35°C and evenings between 13-16°C with cool mornings.

The quality remains quite good, with very good colour, but the average brix remains low (below 5.0 brix) which is clearly a characteristic of this season.

On 14th September, 55% of the estimated volume for Portugal had been harvested even if not all factories are at the same level of processing.

There is a considerable area to be harvested where tomato fields are still green which means the crop will continue into October.

In the area of **Alentejo**, the yields through the harvesting have been lower than usual, and in the area of **Ribatejo** current fields being harvested for the last two weeks have improved compared with the beginning of the season. Since there is still half of the crop to go, the forecast is kept for now at 1.3 million tonnes as any change will depend on the next weeks to come.

SPAIN

In **Andalucia** the season is almost finished with only one factory still running. Yields were the lowest ever and production is 20% lower than expected.

In **Extremadura**, in the **Vegas Altas**, factories should all close between 20 and 30 September. Field yields were also 10 to 20% lower than normal.

In the **Vegas Bajas** the harvest could continue until 10-12 October if weather conditions are good.

To date, the weather has been good in September with only one day of rain and good temperatures to date. The final result will depend on the weather in the next couple of weeks but the forecast of 2.4 million tonnes is maintained.

TUNISIA

As of 15 September, only two factories remain open with a total volume processed to date of 934,000 tonnes. The season is nearing the end.

TURKEY

The harvest is finished in the **South** and has a maximum of ten days more to go in the **Bursa** area. Factories are running at a low capacity now and quality is average to good. The weather is good with no rain forecast.

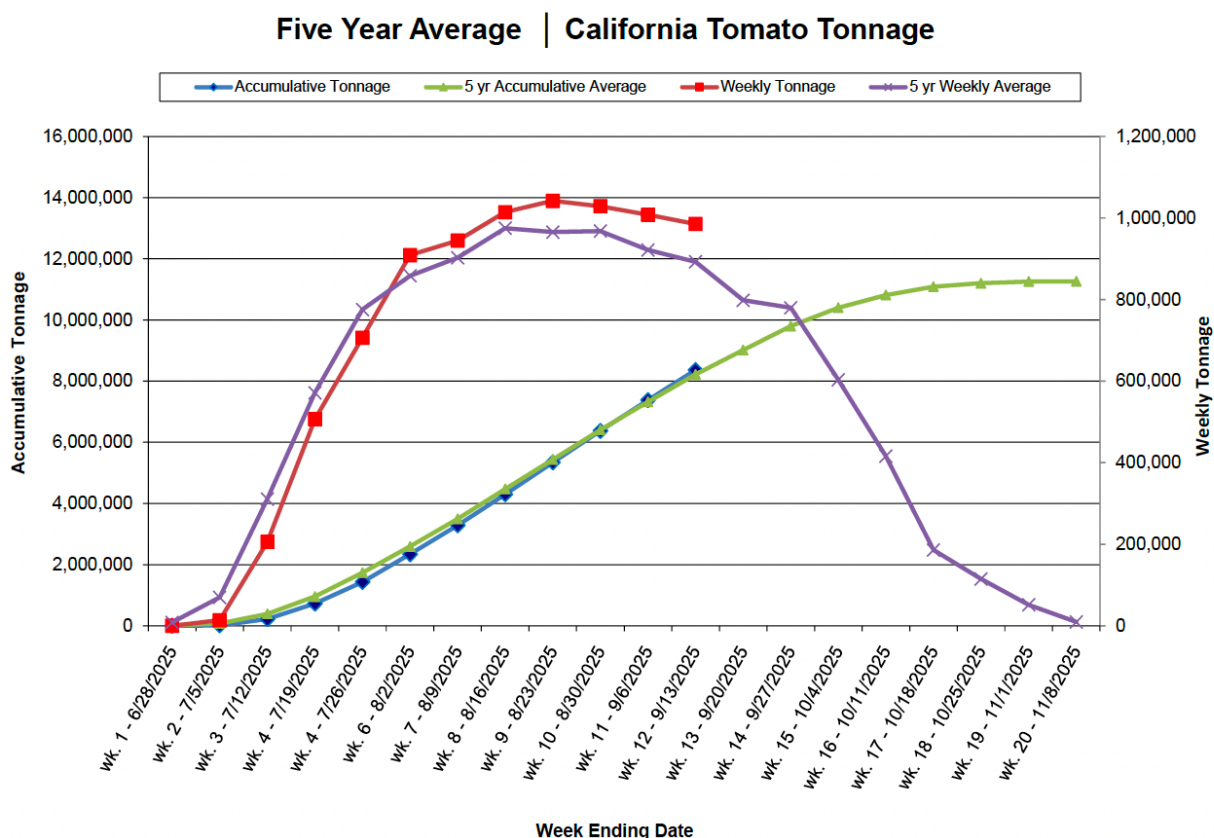
In the **Konya** region the harvest will continue until mid October but surfaces were reduced this year.

The overall forecast remains 2.2 million tonnes.

OTHER COUNTRIES

CALIFORNIA

The estimate is to process 882,213 short tons (800,330 metric tonnes) this week. At the end of this week (week ending 20th September) we will have processed 9,250,998 short tons (8,391,459 metric tonnes). The crop still continues to perform very well this year. If the weather continues to stay dry, expectations are that the 11 million short tons (9.9 million metric tonnes) NASS estimate will be achievable. By Tuesday two processors will have finished for the season. It is expected that we will have some volume until the end of October.



CANADA

Harvest is approximately 53% complete and will most likely run late this season. While the overall crop looks good, some of the fruit has been affected by blossom end rot.

CHINA

The total volume in China is about 4.9 million tons, including 3.02 million tonnes in **Northern Xinjiang**, 1.07 million tonsne in Southern Xinjiang, 0.76 million tonnes in **Inner Mongolia**, and 60 thousand tonnes in **Gansu-Ningxia**.

In the **Inner Mongolia** region, 20% of the planting area was severely affected by heavy rains and floods from July to August, causing a significant production decline.

Up to 10th September, the raw material price for China in 2025 is 67 USD/ton, Compared to May, increase of 2 USD/ton.

It is expected that most factories in China will shut down production for the 2025 season on September 20, and the 2025 season will conclude on September 30.

JAPAN

There are no changes from my last report. Harvesting is scheduled to end in early October.

CROP 2026

AUSTRALIA

The forecast has been reduced to 166,000 tonnes to be processed in 2026 by two processors. A very dry spring is allowing farmers to complete final soil-bed preparations ahead of planting, scheduled to begin on 24th September.