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Tomato Council

WPTC CROP UPDATE AS OF 13 FEBRUARY 2024

AMITOM COUNTRIES

There is no change in the forecast for the AMITOM countries compared with the last update (see report dated 25 January), except for Spain where better water availability led to an increase in the intentions from 2.3 to 2.6 million tonnes.

OTHER NORTHERN HEMISPHERE COUNTRIES

CALIFORNIA

No change to the 11.6 million short tons (10.5 million metric tonnes) forecast.

CANADA

Preliminary indications are that contracted volumes will be similar to 2024 at 583,000 short tons (530,000 metric tonnes).

CHINA

Spring Festival is in early February, and all processing plants and major growers are currently on vacation. Therefore, the data statistics are not very complete, and it is still too early to provide accurate estimates of planting area and regional distribution. Based on the information currently available, Seed sales volume and expected processing volume of plants the estimate of 2024 crop is 11 million metric tonnes. At the same time, domestic consumption in China is growing dramatically, and we are collecting specific consumption data.

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE COUNTRIES

ARGENTINA

The harvest is progressing well, and the forecast raised to 680,000 tonnes.

AUSTRALIA

The harvest is now in its third week. The forecast remains 223,000 tonnes but final production may be lower following the rains.

CHILE

The forecast remains 1.4 million tonnes. The harvest is progressing well.

SOUTH AFRICA

A 160,000 tonnes harvest is planned for the year 2024. The summer harvest has started and 12,000 tonnes have already been processed. No critical issues and both summer and winter production areas are on schedule.

OTHER COUNTRIES

RUSSIA

The current forecast is for 650,000 tonnes of tomatoes to be processed and nearly repeat the previous result. Due to sanctions and restrictions, there is a certain shortage of tomato seeds, so these plans could be changed.

		2022 FINAL		2023 FINAL		2024 FORECAST		AVERAGE 2021-2023	VARIATION 2024 vs 2023	
NORTHERN HEMISPHERE	MEMBERS IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA (AMITOM)	Bulgaria	40	Est.	37	Mem.	40	Mem.	39	8%
		Egypt	456	Mem.	600	Mem.	600	Mem.	499	0%
		France	142	Mem.	160	Mem.	190	Mem.	155	19%
		Greece	340	Mem.	390	Mem.	480	Mem.	383	23%
		Hungary**	80	Mem.	110	Mem.	120	Mem.	102	9%
		Iran**	1 800	Mem.	2 000	Mem.	1 900	Mem.	1 700	-5%
		Israel	149	Mem.	186	Mem.	200	Mem.	178	8%
		Italy	5 476	Mem.	5 400	Mem.	5 600	Mem.	5 645	4%
		Malta**	5	Mem.	8	Mem.	8	Est.	7	0%
		Portugal***	1 414	Mem.	1 500	Mem.	1 400	Mem.	1 503	-7%
		Spain***	2 125	Mem.	2 600	Mem.	2 600	Mem.	2 637	0%
		Syria**	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	0%
		Tunisia	649	Mem.	774	Mem.	770	Est.	788	-1%
		Turkey	2 350	Mem.	2 700	Mem.	2 700	Mem.	2 417	0%
		Ukraine**	120	Mem.	500	Mem.	600	Mem.	473	20%
Subtotal AMITOM		15 186		17 005		17 248		16 566	1%	
of which members in EU		9 582		10 168		10 398		10 432	2%	
OTHER MEMBERS	Brazil	1 632	Mem.	1 650	Mem.	1 650	Est.	1 602	0%	
	Canada	548	Mem.	520	Mem.	530	Mem.	489	2%	
	California	9 514	Mem.	11 556	Mem.	10 500	Mem.	10 277	-9%	
	China	6 200	Mem.	8 000	Mem.	11 000	Mem.	6 333	38%	
	Japan	27	Mem.	26	Mem.	26	Est.	27	0%	
	Subtotal Other Members	17 921		21 752		23 706		18 729	9,0%	
NON MEMBERS	Algeria*	1 200	Misc.	1 350	Misc.	1 350	Est.	1 183	0%	
	Czech Republic	25	Est.	25	Est.	25	Est.	25	0%	
	Morocco*	100	Est.	100	Est.	100	Est.	100	0%	
	Poland	175	Est.	250	Misc.	250	Est.	200	0%	
	Russia*	638	Mem.	660	Misc.	650	Misc.	607	-2%	
	Slovakia	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	0%	
	USA excluding California	450	Misc.	475	Misc.	475	Est.	462	0%	
Subtotal Non Members	2 608		2 880		2 870		2 598	0%		
Total Northern Hemisphere		35 715		41 637		43 824		37 892	5,3%	
SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE	MEMBERS	Argentina	626	Mem.	586	Mem.	680	Mem.	603	16,0%
		Australia	227	Mem.	110	Mem.	223	Mem.	190	102,7%
		Chile	971	Mem.	1 150	Mem.	1 400	Mem.	1 098	21,7%
		Peru	125	Mem.	150	Mem.	150	Mem.	132	0,0%
		South Africa	120	Mem.	160	Mem.	160	Mem.	135	0,0%
	Subtotal members	2 069		2 156		2 613		2 158	21,2%	
	NON MEMBERS	Dominican Republic	227	Est.	227	Est.	227	Est.	227	0,0%
		India	162	Est.	162	Est.	162	Est.	162	0,0%
		Mexico	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	0,0%
		New Zealand	52	Misc.	25	Misc.	25	Est.	42	0,0%
		Senegal	73	Est.	73	Est.	73	Est.	73	0,0%
Thailand		40	Est.	40	Est.	40	Est.	40	0,0%	
Venezuela	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	Est.	20	0,0%		
Subtotal non members	614		587		587		604	0,0%		
Total Southern Hemisphere		2 683		2 743		3 200		2 762	16,7%	
GENERAL TOTAL		38 398		44 380		47 024		40 654	6,0%	
of which members of the WPTC		35 176		40 913		43 567		37 452	6,5%	
WPTC as percentage of total production		92%		92%		93%		92%	0,5%	

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

* Previously an AMITOM member ** AMITOM associate members *** Tomatoes produced in Portugal but processed in Spain are reported in Spain

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