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Date: 2024

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Graph of Exhibit 8.

Date Range: 1965 - 2023



2024 California Tomato Paste Processing Capacity

California as a whole produces around 96% of the total U.S. processed tomatoes and represents 1/3rd of the global market.

| Processor | Facility Location | Year Built | Tomato Capacity for Tomato Paste (Tons/Hour) | Equivalent Tomato Paste (Pounds/Hour) | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|--|---|--|
| Marketers | | | | | |
| Morning Star Packing Company | Williams | 1995 | 1,348 | 441,859 | |
| Liberty Packing Company | Santa Nella | 1975/02 | 966 | 316,868 | |
| Morning Star Packing Company | Los Banos | 1990 | 665 | 218,017 | |
| Los Gatos Tomato Products* | Huron | 1991 | 530 | 173,861 | |
| J.G. Boswell Tomato Company* | Bakersfield | 2000 | 410 | 134,347 | |
| Ingomar Packing Company* | Los Banos | 2000 | 410 | 134,546 | |
| Ingomar Packing Company* | Los Banos | 1983 | 370 | 121,369 | |
| J.G. Boswell Tomato Company* | Corcoran | 2008 | 325 | 106,716 | |
| Toma-Tek | Firebaugh | 1989 | 323 | 106,006 | |
| Pacific Coast Producers* | Woodland | 1943/02 | 295 | 96,607 | |
| Sub-Total | 10 | | 5,643 | 1,850,195 | |
| Remanufacturers | | | | | |
| Campbell Soup | Dixon | 1975 | 303 | 99,303 | |
| Hunt Foods | Oakdale | <1970 | 205 | 67,221 | |
| Campbell Soup | Stockton | 1967 | 200 | 65,721 | |
| Del Monte | Hanford | 1976 | 87 | 28,518 | |
| Sub-Total | 4 | | 795 | 260,762 | |
| Total | 14 | | 6,438 | 2,110,957 | |

Definitions:

Marketers: Plants making paste for the main purpose of selling it to another party

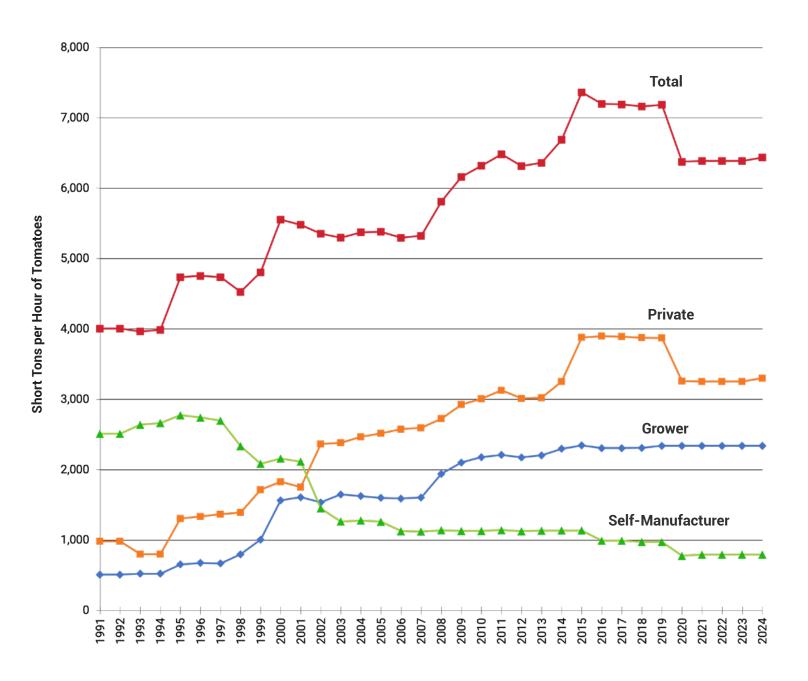
Remanufacturers: Plants making paste for use internally

^{*}Grower-owned and controlled processor



Annual Tomato Paste Processing Capacity

(Short Tons/Hour)



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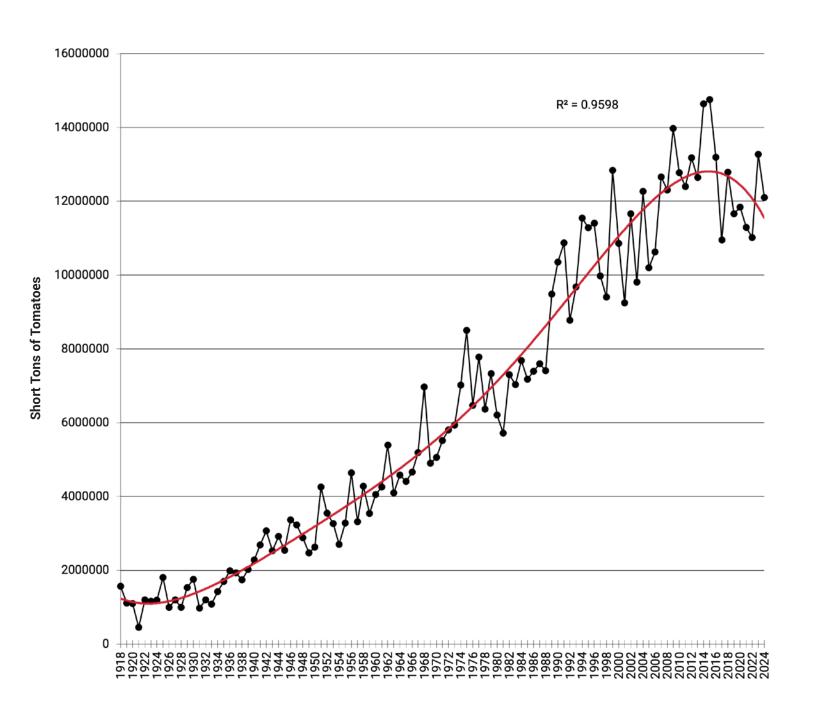
Self-Manufacturers: Companies that make paste predominantly for internal uses

Private: Privately held companies that sell paste on the open market **Grower.** Grower-owned companies that sell paste on the open market



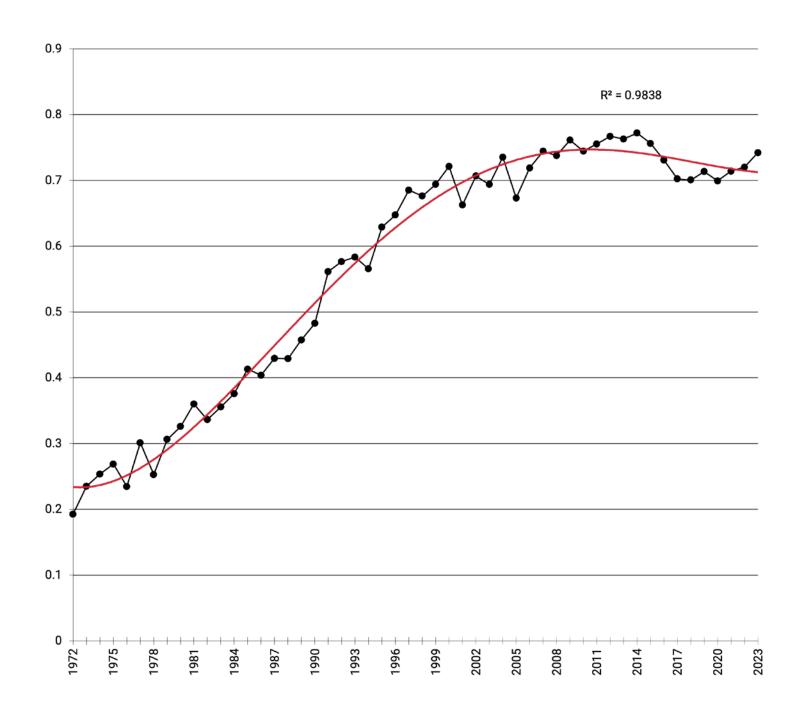
Annual U.S. Processing Tomato Production History

(Crop Projection for 2024)



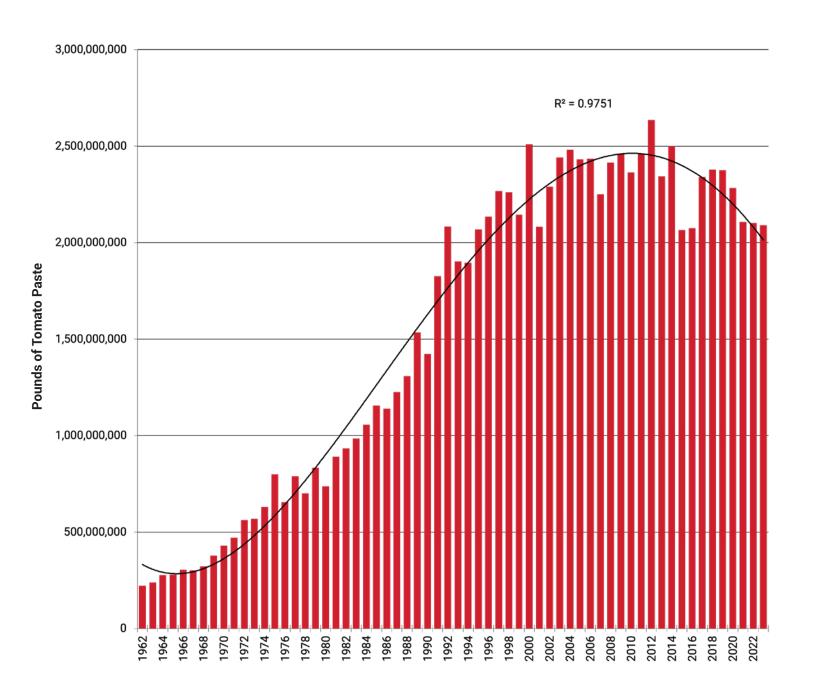


Percent of Total California Processing Tomato Crop Packed as Bulk Tomato Paste





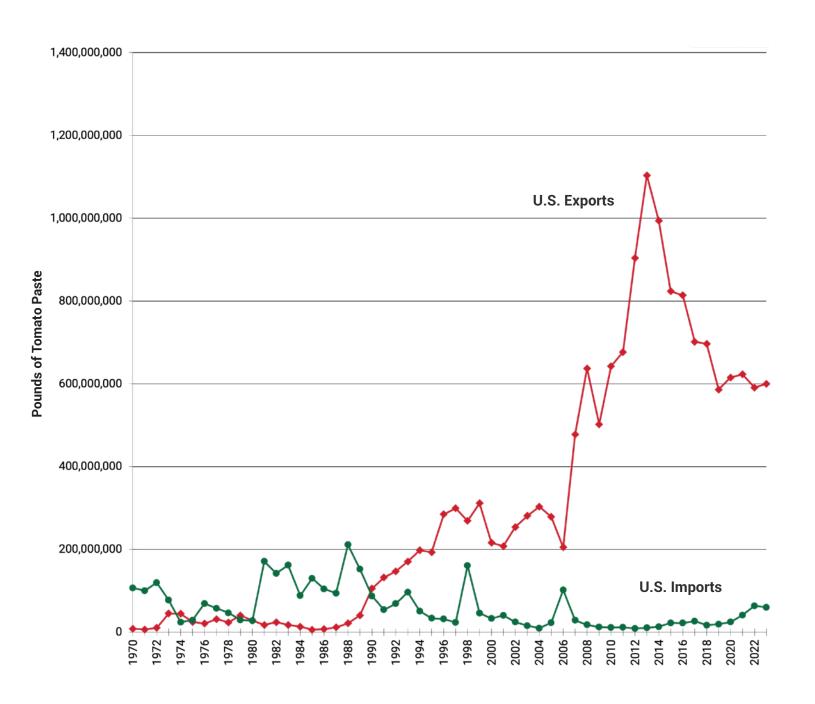
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U.S. Tomato Paste Imports and Exports

(Pounds 31% NTSS)





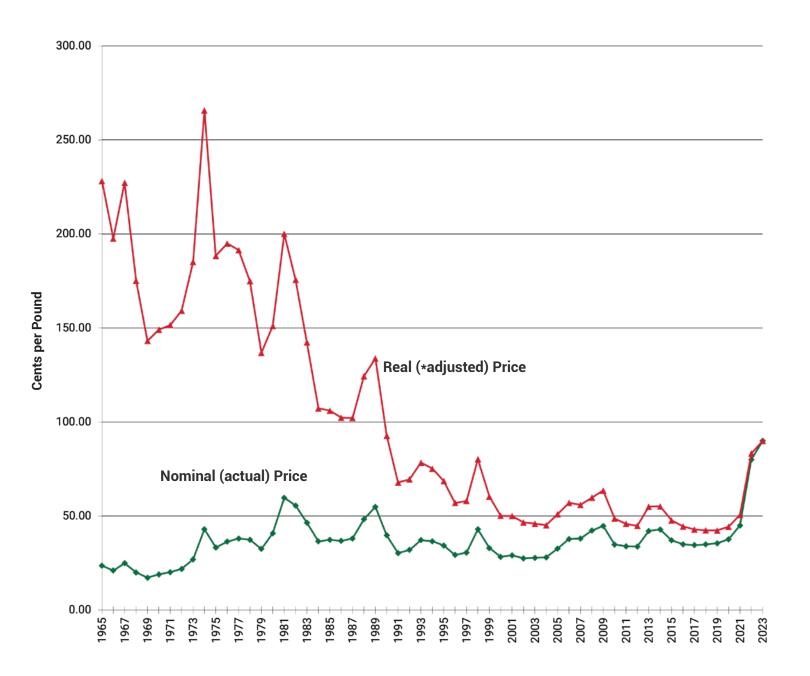
2023 Estimated Industry Average Tomato Paste Production Cost

| Fixed Expenses | Percent of Cost | | |
|--|-----------------|--|--|
| Facility Capital Expenses (Depreciation & ROA) | 6.6% | | |
| Insurance & Taxes | 0.5% | | |
| Operating Overhead (Administration and R&M) | 9.1% | | |
| Variable Expenses | Percent of Cost | | |
| Tomatoes with Fees | 53.1% | | |
| Trucking | 6.7% | | |
| Seasonal Labor | 3.3% | | |
| Boiler Energy | 5.2% | | |
| Electricity | 1.3% | | |
| Sewage | 0.2% | | |
| Supplies & Miscellaneous | 0.8% | | |
| Containers | 7.2% | | |
| Operating Interest | 3.9% | | |
| Selling Costs | 2.2% | | |
| Total Expenses | 100.0% | | |



Annual Historical Price of Tomato Paste

(Cents Per Pound of 31% NTSS)

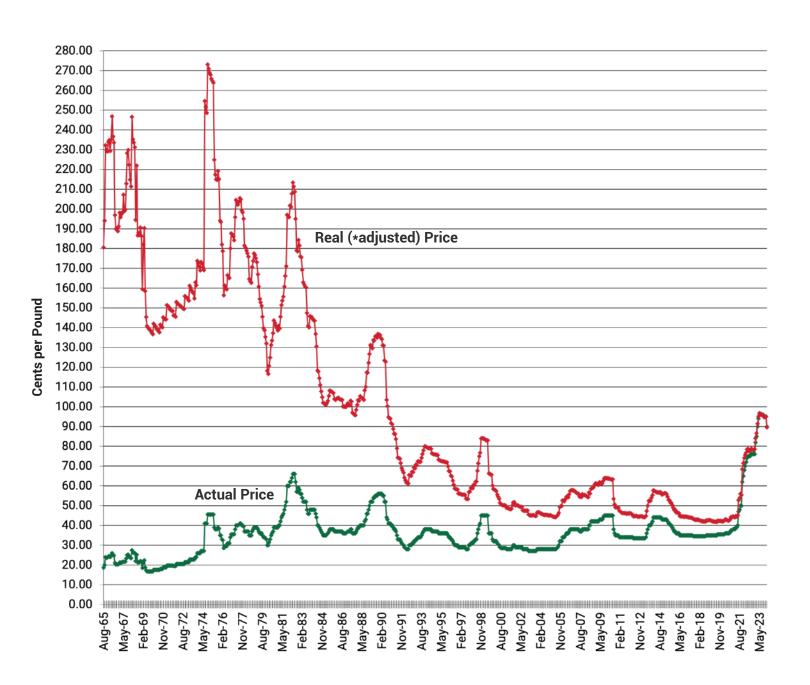


^{*}Inflation adjusted to March 2023 CPI levels



Monthly Actual and Real Time Prices

(Cents Per Pound of 31% NTSS)



^{*}Adjusted to March 2023 CPI levels



Tomato Paste Price, Costs, and Processor Margins

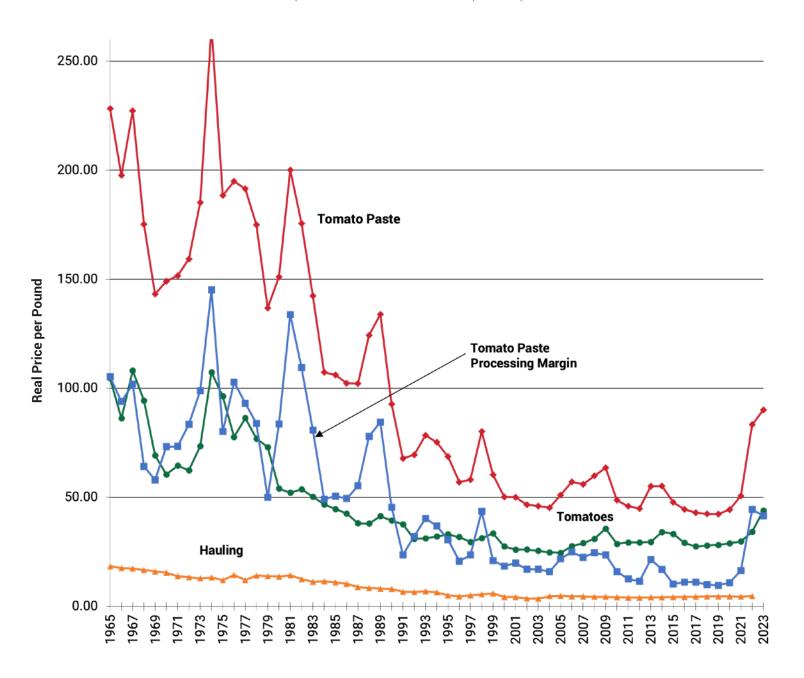
(in 2023 Prices)

| Year | Real Tomato Paste Price (cents/lb) | Real Tomato Price (cents/lb) | Real Hauling Price (cents/lb) | Real Tomato Paste Processing Margin (cents/lb) | Real Tomato Paste Processing Margin 7 yr trailing avg. | Years From Low to Low | Grower Percent of Paste Price |
|------|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1965 | 202.92 | 93.02 | 16.29 | 93.62 | , ,g g. | | 45.8% |
| 1966 | 175.73 | 76.64 | 15.58 | 83.51 | | | 43.6% |
| 1967 | 202.08 | 96.10 | 15.40 | 90.59 | | | 47.6% |
| 1968 | 155.74 | 83.88 | 14.77 | 57.08 | | | 53.9% |
| 1969 | 127.31 | 61.51 | 14.25 | 51.55 | | 3 | 48.3% |
| 1970 | 132.55 | 53.80 | 13.66 | 65.08 | | | 40.6% |
| 1971 | 134.79 | 57.32 | 12.28 | 65.19 | 72.37 | | 42.5% |
| 1972 | 141.64 | 55.49 | 11.89 | 74.26 | 69.61 | | 39.2% |
| 1973 | 164.64 | 65.30 | 11.38 | 87.96 | 70.24 | | 39.7% |
| 1974 | 236.24 | 95.49 | 11.77 | 128.98 | 75.73 | | 40.4% |
| 1975 | 167.53 | 85.65 | 10.63 | 71.26 | 77.75 | 6 | 51.1% |
| 1976 | 173.30 | 69.03 | 12.82 | 91.46 | 83.46 | | 39.8% |
| 1977 | 170.23 | 76.75 | 10.67 | 82.81 | 85.99 | | 45.1% |
| 1978 | 155.54 | 68.37 | 12.58 | 74.59 | 87.33 | | 44.0% |
| 1979 | 121.65 | 64.88 | 12.36 | 44.41 | 83.07 | 4 | 53.3% |
| 1980 | 134.37 | 47.99 | 12.07 | 74.31 | 81.12 | | 35.7% |
| 1981 | 177.92 | 46.31 | 12.67 | 118.94 | 79.68 | | 26.0% |
| 1982 | 156.15 | 47.76 | 11.08 | 97.31 | 83.40 | | 30.6% |
| 1983 | 126.57 | 44.69 | 9.99 | 71.90 | 80.61 | | 35.3% |
| 1984 | 95.40 | 41.50 | 10.22 | 43.68 | 75.02 | 5 | 43.5% |
| 1985 | 94.33 | 39.61 | 9.79 | 44.93 | 70.78 | | 42.0% |
| 1986 | 90.99 | 37.81 | 9.22 | 43.96 | 70.72 | | 41.5% |
| 1987 | 90.83 | 33.84 | 7.88 | 49.12 | 67.12 | | 37.3% |
| 1988 | 110.52 | 33.75 | 7.49 | 69.27 | 60.02 | | 30.5% |
| 1989 | 119.05 | 36.78 | 7.16 | 75.11 | 56.85 | | 30.9% |
| 1990 | 82.41 | 34.99 | 7.04 | 40.39 | 52.35 | _ | 42.5% |
| 1991 | 60.34 | 33.45 | 5.90 | 20.99 | 49.11 | 7 | 55.4% |
| 1992 | 61.80 | 27.46 | 5.85 | 28.50 | 46.76 | | 44.4% |
| 1993 | 69.70 | 27.69 | 6.19 | 35.82 | 45.60 | | 39.7% |
| 1994 | 66.88 | 28.45 | 5.65 | 32.79 | 43.27 | | 42.5% |
| 1995 | 61.04 | 29.35 | 4.51 | 27.17 | 37.25 | - | 48.1% |
| 1996 | 50.65 | 28.22 | 4.04 | 18.39 | 29.15 | 5 | 55.7% |
| 1997 | 51.63 | 26.25 | 4.46 | 20.92 | 26.37 | | 50.8% |
| 1998 | 71.35 | 27.77 | 4.85 | 38.72 | 28.90 | | 38.9% |
| 1999 | 53.67 44.58 | 29.76 | 5.30 3.78 | 18.62 16.39 | 27.49 24.71 | | 55.4% 54.8% |
| 2000 | 44.49 | 24.41 | 3.79 | 17.60 | 22.54 | | 51.9% |
| 2001 | 41.42 | 23.16 | 3.18 | 15.08 | 20.82 | | 55.9% |
| 2002 | 40.87 | 22.60 | 3.15 | 15.11 | 20.35 | | 55.3% |
| 2003 | 40.16 | 22.00 | 4.08 | 14.07 | 19.37 | 8 | 54.8% |
| 2004 | 45.38 | 21.76 | 4.24 | 19.38 | 16.61 | 0 | 47.9% |
| 2006 | 50.74 | 24.53 | 4.03 | 22.18 | 17.12 | | 48.3% |
| 2007 | 49.77 | 25.77 | 4.00 | 20.00 | 17.63 | | 51.8% |
| 2008 | 53.17 | 27.51 | 3.85 | 21.82 | 18.24 | | 51.7% |
| 2009 | 56.52 | 31.66 | 3.86 | 21.00 | 19.08 | | 56.0% |
| 2010 | 43.28 | 25.45 | 3.67 | 14.16 | 18.94 | | 58.8% |
| 2011 | 40.81 | 26.04 | 3.61 | 11.17 | 18.53 | | 63.8% |
| 2012 | 39.83 | 26.05 | 3.61 | 10.17 | 17.21 | 8 | 65.4% |
| 2013 | 48.95 | 26.24 | 3.63 | 19.08 | 16.77 | 3 | 53.6% |
| 2014 | 49.02 | 30.30 | 3.67 | 15.05 | 16.06 | | 61.8% |
| 2015 | 42.39 | 29.50 | 3.77 | 9.12 | 14.25 | | 69.6% |
| 2016 | 39.52 | 25.89 | 3.80 | 9.83 | 12.65 | | 65.5% |
| 2017 | 38.14 | 24.40 | 3.89 | 9.85 | 12.04 | | 64.0% |
| 2018 | 37.68 | 24.81 | 4.02 | 8.85 | 11.71 | | 65.8% |
| 2019 | 37.63 | 25.05 | 4.03 | 8.54 | 11.47 | 7 | 66.6% |
| 2020 | 39.40 | 25.67 | 4.05 | 9.68 | 10.13 | | 65.2% |
| 2021 | 45.00 | 26.44 | 3.97 | 14.58 | 10.06 | | 58.8% |
| 2022 | 75.00 | 32.90 | 4.46 | 45.64 | 15.98 | | 43.9% |
| 2023 | 90.00 | 43.87 | 4.59 | 41.54 | 20.55 | | 48.7% |
| | Average value for the | e years 2019 - 2023 | vs. 1965 - 1969: | | | | |
| | | | 27% | | | | |



Real Prices to Processors, Growers, Truckers, and Tomato Paste

(Per Pound of Tomato Paste Equivalent)





2024 Processing Capacities by Factory and Sourcing Regions

In 1970 Chris Rufer began Morning Star as a one-truck owner-operator, hauling tomatoes from fields to canneries. Since 1970, Morning Star has grown into the largest tomato processor in the world, processing around 30% of California's processed tomato tonnage. Years of dedication to quality, customer service, and technological innovations have allowed us to become the industry leader in the processed tomato market.

Williams, California

Built in **1995**

Processing capacity: 1,348 tons/hour

31% Equivalent tomato paste 441,859 pounds/hour

Annual potential production of paste approximately **800 mil** pounds.

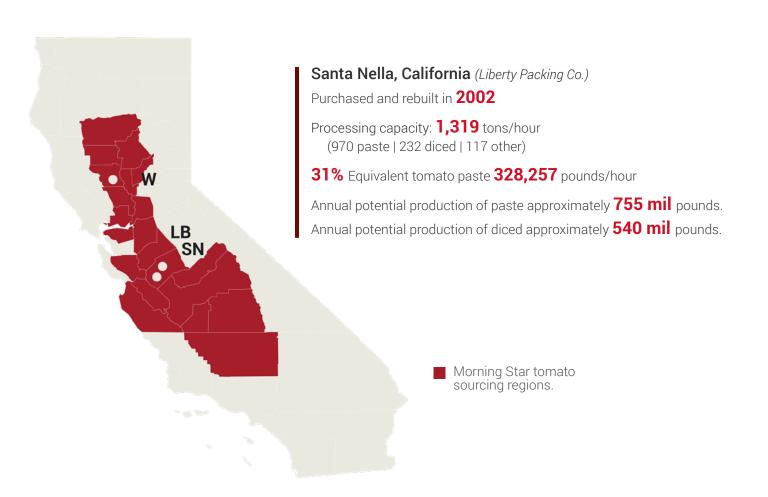
Los Banos, California

Built in **1990**

Processing capacity: 665 tons/hour

31% Equivalent tomato paste 218,017 pounds/hour

Annual potential production of paste approximately **450 mil** pounds.













Products you can rely on.

In addition to traditional ingredient products, we also offer additional organic products, green tomato products, crushed tomatillos, chile purees, custom formulated tomato products, tomato concentrates, high-fiber tomato pulp, dehydrated vegetable powders, foodservice and retail pouched and canned tomatoes, and several additional R&D products.

Products

Hot Break Paste (26% - 31% NTSS)

Cold Break Paste (29% - 37% NTSS)

Concentrated Crushed (26% - 31% NTSS)

Ground in Puree

Puree (1.07)

Diced (3/8" to 1" cut)

Random Kitchen Cut in Puree

Fire Roasted Diced (1/2" or 3/4" cut)
Sun-Dried Tomatoes

Organic Products

Organic Hot Break Paste (31% NTSS)
Organic Cold Break Paste (31% NTSS)
Organic Concentrated Crushed (26% - 28% NTSS)
Organic Diced (1/2" and 3/4" cut)



300-gallon aseptic bag-in-box



55-gallon aseptic fiber, plastic, and steel drum



30lb bag-in-box (sun-dried) 25lb bag-in-box (sun-dried)

Dedicated organic line for all season processing.

Morning Star offers a fully dedicated organic processing line at our Liberty Packing facility. By dedicating an entire processing line to organics, with a paste and diced production capacity of 320 tons/hour, we can consistently deliver high quality organic tomato products all season long. This consistency comes from sourcing our organic tomatoes throughout the season, instead of at the beginning when they may not be at peak quality.

Ask your sales colleague about our extensive line of innovative value-added products.





