

WPTC CROP UPDATE AS OF 1 MAY 2026

AMITOM COUNTRIES

BULGARIA

Conditions have been good to date and planting should finish next week. There is no change to the forecast. The cost of energy is worrying the industry.

EGYPT

The winter crop was finished in the first week of April, and now we are in transition period till the start of summer crop which expected to be by end of May/beginning of June. The forecast remains the same so far.

FRANCE

Conditions are good although temperatures are higher than normal. About 50% of the total surfaces have been planted to date.

GREECE

Conditions so far have been very good and about 60% of the surfaces have been planted in the **Centre** and 65% in the **South**. Some rains are expected for the weekend and could slow down plantings. Farmers should not be affected by the rise in costs of fertilizer for this season as most had been bought before the start of the conflict. The average price for the season is about 115 euros per tonne delivered, with variations for quality and between factories as there is no industry-wide agreement.

HUNGARY

Transplanting will begin at the weekend. Due to the drought, there will be pre-irrigation in most places. Yearly forecast remains unchanged.

IRAN

Due to the internet shutdown in Iran, it is currently very difficult to obtain reliable real-time crop updates from the country. Iran is still temporarily holding the ban on the export of tomatoes and tomato-based products under the current circumstances. Overall, not much has changed since the last update.

ITALY

In the **North**, the framework agreement on price was reached at the end of March with an average price of 137 euros per tonne ex field including premiums for late varieties and variations based on quality parameters. Contracts were all signed by 20 April and the contracted surfaces will be available at the end of April while the effective surfaces will be available at the end of June. Planting started in early April and should finish around 10-15 June. To date about 35% of the surfaces have been planted, which is normal. The weather is good and the plants are developing well.

In the **Centre and South**, the good news is that following heavy rains the Occhito dam is full at more than 200 million m³ for the first time in three years so there will be no issue with irrigation in Puglia this year. Transplanting was delayed but plants are developing well. All is going well in the other areas. Prices have not yet been agreed: the war has increased costs of energy and fertilizers making negotiations difficult. Another meeting is planned next week. Current forecasts remain unchanged at **2.8 million tonnes for the South and 3 million for the North**.

PORTUGAL

Planting started two weeks late due to the wet winter but has been progressing well and 51% of the surfaces were expected to be planted at the end of this week. The weather has been quite good in the last four weeks but rain today could interrupt planting for a day or two. There are some concerns over fertilizers but it should be fine for this season.

SERBIA

Transplanting started on 17 April and to date 115 ha, which is 15% of total surface planned in Serbia, have been planted. The weather is rather good with temperatures between 16°C and 23°C, but some days morning are chilly at around 5°C, so plants are not growing. Nice warm weather is expected after the 1st of May. The forecast remains the same.

SPAIN

Planting operations have been running smoothly and on time in all regions as after a rainy winter the spring has been dry so far. In Extremadura about 60% of the surfaces have been planted to date, but rain is expected this week and may interrupt the activities for a day or two. In Andalusia planting should finish in about a week. No change in the forecast.

TURKEY

There is no major changes from last meeting. Planting down south is now past half-way and it started this week in the Bursa area. It has been a wet April but the weather is clear and dry with a drop in temperatures for 2-3 days this week. We are still expecting a late crop and there is the possibility of an increase in surface area with late planting however it is still too early to say.

Fertilisers are not expecting to have an effect on the contract prices but transport cost may be affected in the season if the conflict effects carry on.

UKRAINE

Transplanting was delayed by frost but started today.

OTHER NORTHERN HEMISPHERE COUNTRIES

BRAZIL

No changes for the time being as we won't be able to gauge the impact of the early rains until the end of May.



ÁREA DE CULTIVO DE TOMATE INDUSTRIAL PROJEÇÃO 2026 - AREA E VOLUME

	AREA					VOLUME				
	2023	2024	2025	2026 abr	EV 26x25	2023	2024	2025	2026 abr	EV 26x25
TOTAIS	20.980	18.757	16.145	15.150	-6%	1.521.000	1.678.290	1.420.000	1.467.453	3%
GOIAS	15.050	13.319	10.660	10.300	-3%	1.118.000	1.263.000	995.000	1.027.503	3%
SÃO PAULO	3.230	2.738	2.665	2.320	-13%	195.000	183.800	190.000	194.300	2%
MINAS GERAIS	2.700	2.700	2.530	2.330	-8%	208.000	231.490	224.000	229.650	3%

CALIFORNIA

The next NASS/USDA estimate should be released towards the end of May at that time we will adjust the projected acreage and tonnage accordingly. At this time there is not any major changes anticipated. Overall planting has gone well this year. We experienced excellent weather in March with above average temperature. In April, we have seen a more traditional weather pattern with cooler temperatures and more precipitation. This has delayed plantings slightly but should not impact the overall crop timing at this point.

JAPAN

There is no change from the last report. In the Kanto and parts of the Chubu regions, planting is expected to be almost complete by the end of April.

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE COUNTRIES

AUSTRALIA

For the 2025/26 season, we recorded a total tonnage of **161,000 tonnes**. Several regions experienced challenging wet conditions during the harvest, which resulted in some tomatoes remaining unharvested.

Looking ahead, our forecast for the 2026/27 season is currently set at 140,000 tonnes, however this is an early estimate and may change as the new season approaches.

CHILE

Following heavy rains mid April the final volume is expected to be reduced to about 1.2 million tonnes, although it is difficult to confirm a number at this time. Factories are trying to finalize production next week. Patagonia and Sugal should close this weekend while Agrozzi will process maybe until 8 May.

PERU

The harvest ended in February 2026, and **150,000 tonnes** of tomatoes were processed.

For the 2026/27 season, we project maintaining the same acreage and production (150,000 tonnes), which could be affected by the climatic impact of El Niño, but it is still too early to make more precise projections.

SOUTH AFRICA

The summer production areas in the Western Cape concluded in time on target, just before the Mediterranean winter rainfall could affect the crop.

In the winter production areas, the transplanting finished by end April and winter harvesting should be in full swing from May' 26 onwards to end Sep'26.

Currently 30% of the South African harvest is already processed and the deliveries are on schedule and water availability should not be a concern this winter season in the northern regions. Thus the total forecast remains unchanged at **130,000 tonnes** for the 2026 season.