

Production of Tomato in Pakistan



In Pakistan Tomato is consumed in diverse ways, including raw, as an ingredient in many dishes, sauces, salads, and drinks. The fruit is rich in lycopene, which may have beneficial health effects. Tomatoes are being grown in all four provinces of Pakistan. The various varieties of tomato are grown over an area of about 52,300 hectares. The annual production of tomatoes in Pakistan is estimated at around 530,000 tonnes in 2011-12.

Rise of the fast food industry in the country is also having a significant impact on the demand for tomato based products. It is expected that this trend will continue in the near future and the consumption of tomato will increased further. ♦

Area of Tomato cultivation (000' Hectares)					
Year	Punjab	Sindh	KPK	Baluchistan	Pakistan
2000-01	4.4	6.1	13.6	3.8	27.9
2001-02	4.5	5.8	14.1	5.0	29.4
2002-03	4.8	6.1	14.6	5.5	31.0
2003-04	5.2	6.2	15.1	12.5	39.0
2004-05	5.1	6.1	15.8	14.4	41.4
5 - Years' Average	4.8	6.1	14.6	8.2	35.7
2005-06	5.3	9.4	16.1	15.4	46.2
2006-07	5.3	8.7	16.1	17.0	47.1
2007-08	5.5	10.9	16.1	20.6	53.1
2008-09	5.6	12.3	16.5	19.0	53.4
2009-10	6.0	12.2	13.1	18.7	50.0
5 - Years' Average	5.5	10.7	15.6	18.2	50.0
2010-11	6.7	14.6	12.6	18.4	52.3
2011-12	6.7	14.6	12.6	18.4	52.3

Source: Agriculture Statistics of Pakistan - 2011-12 Government of Pakistan

Production of Tomato (000' Tonnes)					
Year	Punjab	Sindh	KPK	Baluchistan	Pakistan
2000-01	60.8	32.9	140.0	35.1	268.6
2001-02	62.2	32.8	146.2	52.9	294.1
2002-03	65.2	35.0	148.3	57.8	306.3
2003-04	64.0	35.7	157.5	155.6	412.8
2004-05	63.7	34.0	146.9	181.6	426.2
5 - Years' Average	63.2	34.1	147.8	96.6	341.6
2005-06	64.6	48.3	161.6	193.6	468.1
2006-07	64.8	60.5	160.8	216.2	502.3
2007-08	70.1	91.8	162.0	212.3	536.2
2008-09	72.5	100.9	161.8	226.7	561.9
2009-10	77.9	100.4	119.3	179.2	476.8
5 - Years' Average	70.0	80.4	153.1	205.6	509.1
2010-11	87.8	114.8	113.2	213.8	529.6
2011-12	87.9	114.9	113.2	213.9	529.9

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