Filling the fertilizer and planter boxes of a four-row tomato planter on the Raymond Jones farm in Flora (Carroll County, 1960)

After Joseph Holscher of Fowler contracted with a canning company to grow tomatoes, these workers used a setting machine and plants provided by the company to set six to seven acres of plants per day on his land. Under the agreement, Holscher raised 20 acres of tomatoes, which he fertilized with 2-12-6 fertilizer applied at 300 pounds per acre. (Benton County, 1931)
On the farm of Lloyd Shrock in Kokomo, workers load tomatoes into a truck. (Howard County, 1945)

Burn Brewer brings in a load of Greater Baltimore tomatoes from his nine-acre field in Fairmount. (Grant County, 1921)

The tomatoes from Lloyd Shrock’s Kokomo-area farm are prepared for delivery to a local canning factory. (Howard County, 1945)
(Top left and right) At the Eaton Canning Company, workers grade and sort tomatoes. (Delaware County, 1927)

(Bottom) Workers at the Klondike Canning Corporation factory place tomatoes into cans. (Tippecanoe County, 1935)
Contestants in the State Tomato Picking Contest and their helpers pose for a photo in Kempton. (Tipton County, 1939)

A group of women take part in the Indiana State Amateur Tomato Picking Contest held in Vigo County in connection with the State Tomato Festival. Participants shown here include (from left to right) Gertrude Ellington, Marilyn Bohannon, Barbara Smith, Thelma Ollie, Betty Burge, and Betty Higgins, all of Vigo County. (1943)

Picking a field of tomatoes on a Purdue University farm (Tippecanoe County, 1935)

Tomato pickers in action at the Kempton contest (Tipton County, 1939)