Q. Dear Twig: What’s the biggest tomato ever?

A. The biggest tomato ever in weight — the heaviest, that is — weighed an amazing 7 pounds, 12 ounces. That’s actually just a little bit more than the average weight of a newborn baby born in the United States! Whoa. Big tomato ...

Scientists at Cornell University say tomatoes come in a huge range of sizes. One wild type grows tiny fruit that weigh less than a tenth of an ounce: way less than even a blueberry or cranberry.

Other types — ones bred especially to crank out whoppers — grow tomatoes that weigh nearly a thousand times more than that!

The variety called Brandywine, for instance, grows fruit that weigh about 2 pounds each. Dutchman and Giant Belgian tomatoes can tip the scales at up to 5 pounds. The record tomato, the baby-sized one, came from a type called Delicious.

Giant tomatoes tend to look like soccer balls with the air half let out. Big but caved in on top. Also juicier.

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