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Report Highlights:

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Posts estimate for MY 2021/2022 (October-September) sugar production is reduced to 6.25 MMT-RV due to a late start to harvest, labor issues, and increased input prices. The official CONADESUCA forecast for MY 2020/21 production remains at 6.545 MMT-RV. However, a production lag of 83,198 MMT-RV in production to date remains. The onset of late rains will determine how much time producers must make up for lost milling capacities. For MY 2021/2022, planted area is currently forecasted at 804,776 hectares and harvested cane at 54,624,053 MT, with a field yield of 67.87 percent. As of March 26, field yields are better than expected, however, harvested area is below expectation.

Official Estimate vs. Actual Production

Production Variables	MY 2020/21 Estimate	MY 2020/21 Actual*	Change	
Harvested area (ha)	546,409	507,457	-7.13	
Harvested cane (t)	38,554,232	37,761,511	-2.06	
Field yield (t/ha)	70.56	74.41	5.46	
Sugar production (t)	4,270.335	4,191,846	-1.84	
Factory yield (%)	11.08	11.10	0.18	

^{*}October 1, 2021, through March 26, 2022

Source: CONADESUCA

Veracruz is the top sugar cane producing state and accounts for 41.6 percent of total production, followed by San Luis Potosi with 31 percent and Jalisco with 10 percent.



Source: CONADESUCA

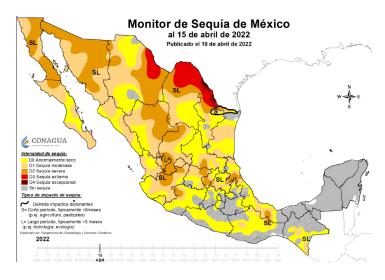
Mexico's Sugar Cane Production by State

State	Harvest Area Ha	Harvest Cane MT	Field Yield Percent	Factory Yield Percent	Production Share Percent
Veracruz	14,469	942,643	65.15	11.81	41.6
San Luis Potosi	4,499	218,135	48.49	13.72	31
Jalisco	3,488	289,218	82.91	12.62	10
Oaxaca	2,161	126,196	58.39	12.47	6.2
Chiapas	1,434	120,862	84.26	12.19	4.1
Nayarit	1,289	78,948	61.24	13.10	3.4

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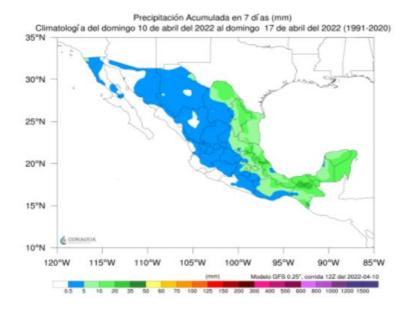
According to Mexico's National Water Commission (CONAGUA) drought monitor shows significant movement from severe drought to abnormal dry conditions, a promising sign for the remainder of this marketing year harvest and the start of planting for MY 2022/23.



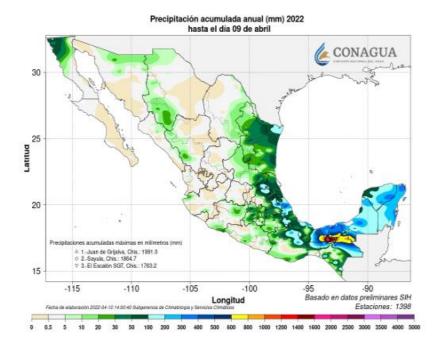
Source: CONAGUA

The following rain monitor map shows consistent precipitation through March and April, with forecasts showing a continuation as high volumes of humidity enter from both the Pacific and the Atlantic Ocean. These conditions will establish favorable soil conditions for the end of the current marketing year and the start of the following. The second rain map shows precipitation as a total during 2022, reflecting ideal growing conditions.

Mexico's Rain Monitor



Source: CONAGUA



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Mexico Centrifugal Sugar PS&D

Sugar, Centrifugal	2020/2021 Oct 2020		2021/2	2022	2022/2023		
Market Year Begins			Oct 2	021	Oct 2022		
Mexico	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	
Beginning Stocks (1000 MT)	910	910	1116	1116	0	1064	
Beet Sugar Production (1000 MT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Cane Sugar Production (1000 MT)	6058	0	6338	6250	0	6300	
Total Sugar Production (1000 MT)	6058	0	6338	6250	0	6300	
Raw Imports (1000 MT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Refined Imp.(Raw Val) (1000 MT)	69	0	67	15	0	20	
Total Imports (1000 MT)	69	0	67	15	0	20	
Total Supply (1000 MT)	7037	910	7521	7381	0	7384	
Raw Exports (1000 MT)	985	0	1532	1457	0	1530	
Refined Exp.(Raw Val) (1000 MT)	250	0	352	340	0	340	
Total Exports (1000 MT)	1235	0	1884	1797	0	1870	
Human Dom. Consumption (1000 MT)	4171	0	4150	4150	0	4160	
Other Disappearance (1000 MT)	515	0	515	370	0	374	
Total Use (1000 MT)	4686	0	4665	4520	0	4534	
Ending Stocks (1000 MT)	1116	1116	972	1064	0	980	
Total Distribution (1000 MT)	7037	1116	7521	7381	0	7384	
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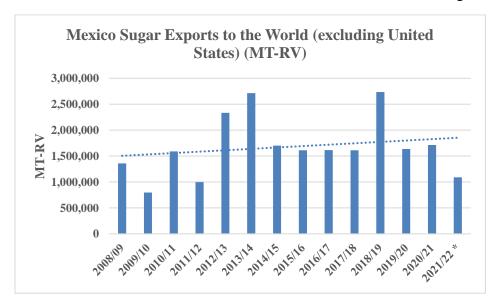
Mexico Sugar Cane for Centrifugal PS&D

Sugar Cane for Centrifugal	2020/2021 Nov 2021		2021/	2022	2022/2023 Nov 2023		
Market Year Begins			Nov 2	2022			
Mexico	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	
Area Planted (1000 HA)	811	0	823	823	0	830	
Area Harvested (1000 HA)	790	0	792	792	0	795	
Production (1000 MT)	51293	0	53804	53750	0	54300	
Total Supply (1000 MT)	51293	0	53804	53750	0	54300	
Utilization for Sugar (1000 MT)	51293	0	53804	53750	0	54300	
Utilization for Alcohol (1000 MT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total Utilization (1000 MT)	51293	0	53804	53750	0	54300	
(1000 HA), (1000 MT)							

TRADE

The MY 2022/2023 sugar export forecast is 1.53 MMT-RV, on the expectation of continued demand in the United States, but moderate growth in exports to other world markets due to sustained high domestic prices. A factor that limits a stronger growth in sugar exports is the increased growth of the sugar substitutes market, decreasing demand of sugar.

The MY 2021/2022 Post export forecast remains unchanged at 1.45 MMT-RV. Final export volumes will depend significantly on U.S. sugar demand, as the United States is Mexico's top export destination, followed by other smaller markets such as Morocco, Kazakhstan, Trinidad and Tobago, and Cameroon.



* Through April 3 Source: CONADESUCA

As of April 3, Mexico has exported 1,759,894 MT-RV of sugar, with 1,027,306 MT-RV to the United States. The Post estimate for MY 2021/22 imports remains at 15,000 MT-RV, due to lower domestic consumption and high carry-over stocks. Domestic production typically covers demand, with specialty

imports for products not produced in Mexico. The Post forecast for MY 2022/23 imports is at 20,000 MT-RV.

Mexico Sugar Exports to the United States

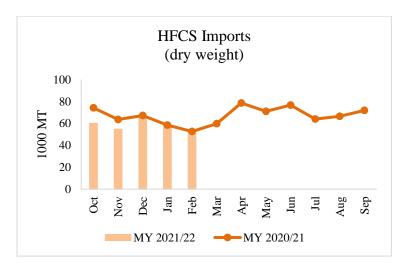
	MY 2021/22
October	43,821
November	11,506
December	96,854
January	189,508
February	286,613
March	285,676
April *	17,926

* Through April 3

Source: CONADESUCA

High Fructose Corn Syrup (HFCS)

Post forecasts HFCS imports for MY 2022/23 at 797,000 MT dry basis, with MY 2021/22 HFCS imports at 790,000 MT dry basis. As industry continues to be pressured by labeling regulations and the consumers tend to healthier foods, many high caloric foods are being reformulated demanding less sugar and HFCS in their processes.

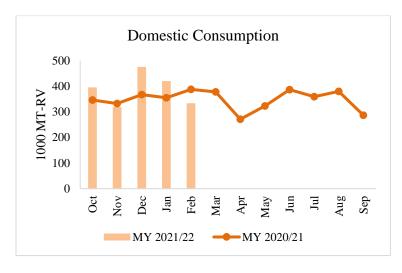


Source: CONADESUCA

CONSUMPTION

Consumption in MY 2022/23 is forecast 4.53 MMT-RV, with human domestic consumption at 4.16 MMT-RV. Posts consumption estimate for MY 2021/22 is at 4.52 MMT-RV, with human domestic consumption at 4.15 MMT-RV. Human domestic consumption does not include sugar sold to domestic

companies as an input for a further processing and export. New labeling regulations and consumer preferences for lower calorie products has slightly reduced consumption and demand in recent years.



Source: CONADESUCA

STOCKS

Post forecast for MY 2022/23 ending stocks is 980,000 MT on strong domestic and U.S. demand for supplies. The MY 2021/22 ending stocks forecast is 1.064 MMT.

SUGAR PRICES

The Secretariat of Economy through the National Information and Market Integration System (SNIIM) and CONADESUCA through the Information System of the National Sugar Market (SIMAN) report monthly sugar prices of sugar delivered to local markets in various Mexican cities and from different mills.

Mexico Average Wholesale Sugar Prices in Mexico City (CIF Basis) in Pesos per 50 Kilograms – Bulk

Month	Standard			Refined			
	2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022	
January	725.00	N/A	764.50	879.20	N/A	937.17	
February	730.30	845.00	739.88	874.40	1,021.67	950.42	
March	809.00	827.13	826.87	918.60	970.93	944.73	
April	893.10	818.50	798.42*	929.60	946.67	942.22*	
May	885.20	822.75		912.60	947.25		
June	N/A	818.30		N/A	976.17		
July	934.00	786.38		1,026.70	976.92		

August	929.40	758.50	1,025.80	968.20	
September	935.00	746.75	1,037.70	968.33	
October	917.30	717.88	1,055.20	942.50	
November	875.80	763.75	1,051.30	943.75	
December	857.00	769.75	1,047.80	941.75	

Source: SNIIM (National Service of Market Information)

^{*} April 19, 2022

Attachments:

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