# WASDE – October 12, 2017

SUGAR: Florida cane sugar production for 2017/18 is reduced by 90,038 short tons, raw value (STRV) to 2.036 million, consistent with lower sugarcane production and lower sucrose recovery projected by processors. Louisiana cane sugar production for 2017/18 is increased by 64,000 STRV to 1.690 million based on increased area harvested and yield forecast by NASS in the Crop Production report. U.S. beet sugar production for the 2017/18 August-July crop year is forecast at 5.110 million STRV, down 21,000 from last month based on NASS forecasts in the Crop Production report. Fiscal year 2017/18 beet sugar is decreased by 39,943 STRV to 4.977 million STRV based reductions in crop year production and an increase in early-season beet sugar production estimated for August and September 2017. Beet sugar production for 2016/17 is increased to 5.022 million STRV based on the higher early-season production.

Sugar imported under the raw sugar tariff-rate quota (TRQ) for 2016/17 is reduced by 99,166 STRV. Due to the USDA's extension of entry of 2016/17 raw sugar TRQ imports to the end of October, 57,670 STRV of the 2016/17 TRQ imports are projected to enter in October 2017, increasing 2017/18 imports. Free Trade Agreement calendar year TRQ sugar of 16,342 STRV previously expected to enter before September 30 for 2016/17 is now expected to enter before December 31 for 2017/18, shifting projected 2016/17 imports into 2017/18. Reexport imports for 2016/17 reported by U.S. Customs and Border Protection are reported at 413,131 STRV, up 28,313 from last month. Total imports from Mexico for 2016/17 are estimated at 1.206 million STRV, down 10,000 from last month. Imports from Mexico for 2017/18 are projected at 1.789 million STRV, up 17,938 from last month but below the Target Quantity of U.S. Needs of 1.812 million calculated by the Commerce Department based on the September WASDE.

Mexico 2016/17 ending stocks are estimated up 15,352 metric tons (MT) as higher imports of 10,000 for consumption and 15,178 for IMMEX are partially offset by higher exports of 9,826. Although 2016/17 sugar exports to the United States are down 8,578 MT from last month, exports to third countries and for the U.S. re-export import program are now estimated at 18,404 MT higher than last month. The resulting increase in 2017/18 sugar supply is available for export to the U.S. market, while allowing Mexico to maintain an ending stocks to-consumption bound of 18.0 percent for anticipated use in 2018/19 before the start of the harvest.

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## U.S. Sugar Supply and Use 1/

| | 2015/16 | 2016/17 Est. | 2017/18 Proj. Sep | 2017/18 Proj. Oct |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | *1,000 Short Tons,* | *Raw Value* | |
| Beginning Stocks | 1815 | 2054 | 1760 | 1732 |
| Production 2/ | 8989 | 8892 | 8929 | 8863 |
| Beet Sugar | 5119 | 5022 | 5017 | 4977 |
| Cane Sugar | 3870 | 3870 | 3912 | 3886 |
| Florida | 2173 | 2055 | 2126 | 2036 |
| Hawaii | 152 | 43 | 0 | 0 |
| Louisiana | 1428 | 1632 | 1626 | 1690 |
| Texas | 116 | 140 | 160 | 160 |
| Imports | 3341 | 3241 | 3688 | 3830 |
| TRQ 3/ | 1620 | 1611 | 1707 | 1781 |
| Other Program 4/ | 396 | 413 | 200 | 250 |
| Other 5/ | 1325 | 1216 | 1781 | 1799 |
| Mexico | 1309 | 1206 | 1771 | 1789 |
| Total Supply | 14145 | 14187 | 14377 | 14425 |
| | | | | |
| Exports | 74 | 100 | 25 | 50 |
| Deliveries | 12051 | 12355 | 12678 | 12678 |
| Food 6/ | 11881 | 12200 | 12523 | 12523 |
| Other 7/ | 170 | 155 | 155 | 155 |
| Miscellaneous | -33 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Use | 12091 | 12455 | 12703 | 12728 |
| Ending Stocks | 2054 | 1732 | 1674 | 1697 |
| Stocks to Use Ratio | 17 | 13.9 | 13.2 | 13.3 |

1/ Fiscal years beginning Oct 1. Historical data are from FSA "Sweetener Market Data" (SMD). 2/ Production projections for 2016/17 and 2017/18 are based on Crop Production and processor projections where appropriate. 3/ For 2017/18, WTO raw sugar TRQ shortfall (200). For 2016/17, WTO raw sugar TRQ shortfall is undefined because of 13th month rollover into 2017/18. 4/ Includes sugar under the re-export and polyhydric alcohol programs. 5/ For 2015/16, other high-tier (16) and other (0). For 2016/17, other high-tier (10) and other (0). For 2017/18, other high-tier (10) and other (0). 6/For 2014/15, combines SMD deliveries for domestic human food use and SMD miscellaneous uses. 7/ Transfers to sugar-containing products for reexport, and for nonedible alcohol, feed, and ethanol.

## Mexico Sugar Supply and Use and High Fructose Corn Syrup Imports 1/

| | | Beginning Stocks | Production | Imports | Domestic 2/ | Exports | Ending Stocks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sugar** | | | | *1,000 Metric Tons,* | *Actual Weight* | | |
| 2016/17 Est. | Sep | 1037 | 5957 | 100 | 4858 | 1206 | 1031 |
| | Oct | 1037 | 5957 | 125 | 4858 | 1215 | 1046 |
| 2017/18 Proj. | Sep | 1031 | 6100 | 75 | 4864 | 1526 | 816 |
| | Oct | 1046 | 6100 | 75 | 4864 | 1541 | 816 |

1/ HFCS consumption by Mexico (1,000 metric tons, dry basis): Oct-Sep 2015/16 = 1,482, estimated Oct-Sep 2016/17 = 1,484; projected 2017/18 = 1,484; Oct - Jul 2015/16 = 1,215; Oct - Jul 2016/17 = 1,273. Footnote source: Comite Nacional para el Desarollo Sustentable de la Cana de Azucar. 2/Includes deliveries for consumption, Mexico's products export program (IMMEX), and Other Deliveries/Ending Year Statistical Adjustments. IMMEX: 2015/16 (390 est), 2016/17 (390 est), 2017/18 (330 proj). Other Deliveries/Ending Year Statistical Adjustments: 2015/16 (-10), 2016/17 (0), 2017/18 (0).