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SUGAR: Mexico production for 2023/24 is projected at 4.649 million metric tons (MT), an increase of 76,541 over last month. Area harvested is unchanged at 727,116 hectares (ha) but sugarcane yield is increased to 62.73 MT/ha and sucrose recovery is increased to 10.19 percent on interim analysis from CONADESUCA production data through April 27. There remains significant downside risk on area that may not be harvested due to inadequate sugar content in the remaining sugarcane. The low polarity sugar share of total production has been trending downward and is estimated at 6.50 percent, down from 7.00 percent last month. Assuming that all projected low polarity sugar is exported to the U.S. market and constitutes 71 percent of the total exported, exports to the United States are projected at 425,607 MT, a very slight decrease from last month.

Mexico production for 2024/25 is projected at 5.189 million MT. Yield and recovery are expected to be closer to historical trend and area harvested will be more than in 2023/24 but likely far below the 800,000-hectare level initially forecast for recent years. Exports to the United States are projected at 1.024 million on the assumption that Mexico authorities expect that the U.S. additional specialty TRQ will be set no lower than the level of 2023/24 before the July WASDE when the Department of Commerce first calculates U.S. Needs for 2024/25. Deliveries for consumption are projected at 4.236 million MT on population growth. Deliveries for IMMEX are the same as in 2023/24. Ending stocks are projected at 900,181 MT to cover use in 2025/26 for the 2.3 months before the start of sugar production. Imports are residually projected at 524,814 MT, with 499,814 MT for consumption and 25,000 MT for IMMEX.

U.S. beet sugar production for 2023/24 is decreased 49,192 short tons, raw value (STRV) to 5.095 million. Production in Red River Valley will continue for another month with piled sugarbeets under stress. Beet pile shrink is still at 9.0 percent, higher than processors' estimates, but sucrose recovery is reduced to 14.75 percent as increased impurities in sliced beets have reduced extraction effectiveness. Beet sugar production for 2024/25 is projected at 5.111 million STRV. Area planted is 1.129 million acres from Prospective Plantings. National sugarbeet yield is projected at a robust 31.52 tons/acre due to a high proportion of sugarbeets planted as of May 5. Other production parameters are projected on the basis of recent 5-year averages. Cane sugar production in Florida for 2023/24 is decreased 35,264 STRV on processors' reporting. Cane sugar production for 2024/25 is projected at 4.121 million STRV based on recent yield trends under the assumption of normal weather and some area expansion in Louisiana. Imports for 2023/24 are increased 22,597 STRV on a decrease in TRQ shortfall due to more sugar expected to enter from the Philippines. TRQ imports for 2024/25 are projected 1.415 million STRV consistent with minimum access WTO bindings and with allocations set for various FTAs. Re-export imports are projected at 200,000 STRV and high-tier tariff imports of refined sugar are projected at 216,000 STRV. High-tier tariff raw sugar imports are projected at zero. Imports from Mexico are expected to be 1.197 million STRV. Deliveries for human consumption for 2023/24 are reduced 100,000 STRV on the pace to date to 12.350 million. This estimate is carried over to the level projected for 2024/25. Ending stocks for 2024/25 are projected at 1.464 million STRV for a stocks-to-use ratio of 11.66 percent.



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	2022/23	2023/24 Est.	2023/24 Est.	2024/25 Proj.	
1		Apr	May	May	
		1,000 Short			
		Tons,	Raw Value		
Beginning Stocks	1820	1843	1843	1758	
Production 2/	9250	9215	9131	9232	
Beet Sugar	5187	5144	5095	5111	
Cane Sugar	4063	4071	4036	4121	
Florida	1985	2095	2060	2036	
Louisiana	2001	1936	1936	2085	
Texas	76	40	40	0	
Imports	3614	3417	3438	3028	
TRQ 3/	1862	1775	1798	1415	
Other Program 4/	141	288	288	200	
Non-program	1611	1354	1352	1413	
Mexico	1156	499	497	1197	
High-tier tariff/other	455	855	855	216	
Total Supply	14685	14474	14411	14019	
Exports	82	198	198	100	
Deliveries	12589	12555	12455	12455	
Food	12473	12450	12350	12350	
Other 5/	116	105	105	105	
Miscellaneous	171	0	0	0	
Total Use	12843	12753	12653	12555	
Ending Stocks	1843	1722	1758	1464	
Stocks to Use Ratio	14.3	13.5	13.9	11.7	

1/ Fiscal years beginning Oct 1. Data and projections correspond to category components from "Sweetener Market Data" (SMD). 2/ Production projections for 2023/24 and 2024/25 are based on Crop Production and/or processor projections/industry data and/or sugar ICEC analysis where appropriate. 3/ For 2023/24, WTO raw sugar TRQ shortfall (44) and for 2024/25 (94). 4/ Composed of sugar under the re-export and polyhydric alcohol programs. 5/ Transfers accompanying deliveries for sugar-containing products to be exported (SCP) and polyhydric alcohol manufacture (POLY), and deliveries for livestock feed and ethanol. Total refiner license transfers for SCP and POLY inclusive of WASDE-reported deliveries: 2022/23 -- 304; estimated 2023/24 -- 291; projected 2024/25 -- NA.



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Mexico Sugar Supply and Use and High Fructose Corn Syrup Consumption 1/

		Beginning Stocks	Production	Imports	Domestic 2/	Exports	Ending Stocks
Sugar 2023/24 Est.				1,000 Metric Tons,	Actual Weight		
	Apr	835	4572	575	4618	471	894
	May	835	4649	575	4618	569	872
2024/25 Proj.	Apr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	May	872	5189	525	4661	1024	900

1/ HFCS consumption by Mexico (1,000 metric tons, dry basis): 2022/23 = 1,392; Estimated 2023/24 = 1,407; Projected 2024/25 = 1,407. Estimated Oct.2023-Mar. 2024 = 724; Estimated Oct.-Mar. 2023 = 672. Footnote source for estimate: 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: estimated 2023/24 (425 est = 325 dom.+100 import). Projected 2024/25 (425 proj = 400 dom.+25 import). Statistical Adjustments: 2023/24 (0); 2024/25 (0).