

**Wednesday, 31 August 2022**

A run of dry weather has enabled us to make good headway with the crush, with close to 40 per cent of the total crop processed.

We have now crushed **6.04 million tonnes of cane**, which represents **38 per cent** of the estimated 16.05 million tonne crop.

We look forward to working closely with the growing and harvesting sectors to get the remaining crop off.

## HERBERT

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total HBT crop
12.0	1.85M	39 per cent	4.7 million tonnes

- The crop continues to cut above estimate, however CCS levels are tracking below budget due to in-season crop growth.
- Wet weather continues to interrupt harvesting and crushing operations. We have used the forced downtime to undertake maintenance and cleaning activities.
- Improved bin weights this season are helping to underpin good crush rates.

## BURDEKIN

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total BKN crop
14.50	3.15M	39 per cent	8.15 million tonnes

- Our Burdekin mills have achieved throughput totals of more than 400,000 tonnes for three consecutive weeks, as our production teams focus on maximising crush rates.
- We have passed the 3 million tonnes crushed milestone, and are nearing 40 per cent of the total crop crushed.
- Cane quality is improving in line with the dry field conditions. CCS is rising, although continues to track below forecast levels.

# WILMAR SUGAR CRUSHING UPDATE



## PROSERPINE

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total PRO crop
14.41	515,800	30 per cent	1.7 million tonnes

- CCS continues to trend favourably, with the weekly average generally tracking above budget.
- Scattered showers over the past few days have created challenges for the harvesting and milling sectors.
- We are continuing to focus on improving factory reliability and daily loadings.

## PLANE CREEK

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total PCK crop
13.60	528,000	35 per cent	1.5 million tonnes

- Weather and ground conditions have been ideal for harvesting.
- The crop continues to cut above estimate. CCS levels are rising, but are tracking one unit below budget.
- Factory reliability has been excellent. Crush rates have increased further following a successful evaporator clean last week.

## IN THE COMMUNITY



# WILMAR SUGAR CRUSHING UPDATE



The North Queensland Cowboys' Game Development team headed into our sugar milling regions in July and August to run junior rugby league clinics with local clubs.

The Wilmar-sponsored clinics were held in Ingham, Proserpine and the Burdekin, and featured current and former Cowboys players, including Mitch Dunn and Ray Thompson.

At the end of the hour-long session, Wilmar representatives had a quick chat about cane train safety, before handing out prize packs and jelly beans.

The JRL clinics have been a key part of Wilmar's community partnership with the North Queensland Cowboys for many years.

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