

WILMAR SUGAR SEASON UPDATE



Thursday, 28 September 2023

Our eight factories have processed **nine million tonnes** of cane, which represents **58 per cent** of the total forecast crop.

The declaration of an El Nino weather pattern means a reduced chance of a wet finish to the 2023 season.

However, the predicted drier, hotter conditions may cause cane yields to drop off, and have an adverse impact on next year's crop.

HERBERT

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total HBT crop
13.30	2.44M	60 per cent	4.07 million tonnes

- Multiple transfers between factories to manage standover cane are creating logistical challenges and some cane supply gaps.
- Standover cane with low purity and CCS has hindered processing at both factories.
- Fine weather conditions continue to prevail, and CCS levels are on an upward trend.

BURDEKIN

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total BKN crop
15.56	4.97M	61 per cent	8.2 million tonnes

- Processing rates and factory reliability have been good.
- Dry conditions may soon impact the remaining crop.
- CCS levels are now running above budget.

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PROSERPINE

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total PRO crop
14.77	952,000	54 per cent	1.75 million tonnes

- Factory reliability has been strong, with more than 91,000 tonnes processed last week.
- CCS has been climbing steadily.
- Some light showers have occurred recently, but weather conditions have remained favourable overall.

PLANE CREEK

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total PCK crop
14.10	651,000	45 per cent	1.45 million tonnes

- CCS levels are remaining steady.
- The factory resumed operations today, after an extended stop to repair No.5 mill.
- Our maintenance and production teams continue to focus on improving factory reliability and rate.

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