

BUSINESS ACTIVITY

3.6 SUGAR INDUSTRY PRODUCTION AND PRICES

Year/ Season	Number of Contracts/ Growers	Number of Active Growers	Sugar Cane [c] [d]				Prices Paid to Growers	Input of Cane per Tonne of Sugar	Sugar Production	Molasses Production	Exports of Sugar [a] [b]		
			Area Harvested	Production	Average Production per Hectare						Quantity	Value [fob]	Unit Value
			[000 hectares]	[000 tonnes]	[tonnes/ hectares]	[FJD/tonnes]					[000 tonnes]	[FJD000]	[FJD/tonne]
Yearly													
1975	16,995	n/a	44	2,160	49.1	24.57	7.9	272	76	246	94,718	385	
1976	17,197	n/a	46	2,283	49.6	26.74	8.0	286	81	246	67,704	275	
1977	17,898	n/a	52	2,674	51.4	25.00	7.4	362	105	324	91,576	283	
1978	18,383	n/a	54	2,849	52.8	23.83	8.2	347	106	294	83,273	283	
1979	19,233	n/a	62	4,058	65.5	35.19	8.6	473	163	428	116,962	273	
1980	19,567	n/a	64	3,360	52.5	26.24	8.5	396	129	461	174,775	379	
1981	20,936	n/a	66	3,931	59.6	26.75	8.4	470	152	408	131,561	323	
1982	21,558	n/a	69	4,075	59.1	29.55	8.4	487	150	411	125,076	304	
1983	21,671	n/a	59	2,203	37.3	22.39	8.0	276	84	343	111,835	326	
1984	22,130	n/a	66	4,290	65.0	24.61	8.9	480	188	379	109,855	290	
1985	22,154	n/a	50	3,043	60.9	36.56	8.9	341	108	410	111,828	273	
1986	22,182	n/a	70	4,109	58.7	52.32	8.2	502	159	324	133,716	413	
1987	22,255	n/a	67	2,960	44.2	44.16	7.4	401	130	429	186,158	434	
1988	22,127	n/a	64	3,185	49.8	46.48	8.8	363	130	409	198,347	485	
1989	21,771	n/a	71	4,099	57.7	41.30	8.9	461	151	398	228,285	575	
1990	21,334	n/a	70	4,016	57.4	50.89	9.8	408	164	394	223,669	568	
1991	24,479	n/a	73	3,380	46.3	50.89	8.7	389	138	357	220,400	617	
1992	23,334	n/a	73	3,533	48.4	54.99	8.3	426	129	365	221,285	606	
1993	23,454	n/a	74	3,704	50.1	49.16	8.4	442	136	439	230,666	525	
1994	23,264	20,839	74	4,064	54.9	50.98	7.9	517	155	471	252,183	535	
1995	22,449	20,340	74	4,110	55.5	53.78	9.1	454	181	445	276,112	620	
1996	22,304	20,600	74	4,380	59.2	44.82	9.6	454	186	500	301,731	603	
1997	22,100	20,524	73	3,280	44.9	50.07	9.5	347	139	308	213,449	693	
1998	22,146	19,430	57	2,098	36.8	81.79	8.2	256	96	237	244,246	1,031	
1999	22,178	19,384	65	3,958	60.9	50.76	10.5	377	159	355	263,200	741	
2000	22,179	19,081	66	3,786	57.4	50.76	11.1	341	164	302	237,059	785	
2001	21,882	18,615	66	2,805	42.5	44.01	9.6	293	106	247	225,179	912	
2002	21,253	17,773	82	3,423	41.7	60.80	10.4	330	149	284	234,384	825	
2003	20,693	17,362	61	2,610	42.8	53.80	8.9	294	107	270	225,743	836	
2004	20,492	17,639	61	3,001	49.2	60.12	9.6	314	113	262	209,214	799	
2005	20,290	16,527	58	2,789	48.1	55.48	9.7	289	118	303	223,682	738	
2006	18,636	15,730	58	3,226	55.6	58.13	10.4	310	157	250	215,085	860	
2007	18,691	14,948	54	2,478	45.9	59.06	10.5	237	115	220	185,014	841	
2008	18,683	14,093	51	2,321	45.5	58.21	11.2	208	120	260	248,184	955	
2009	17,762	13,903	49	2,247	45.9	61.65	13.4	168 *	131	153	146,804 *	960	
2010	16,827	13,251	45	1,778	39.6	56.23	13.5	132 **	113	111	69,471 **	627	
2011	16,259	12,791	46	2,096	45.6	49.16	12.6	167	107	135	138,948	1,026	
2012	15,948	12,848	42	1,546	36.9	65.67	10.0	155	67	127	144,505	1,141	
2013	15,528	12,633	38	1,610	42.4	81.83	9.0	180	59	144	157,583	1,097	
2014	16,348	12,681	38	1,832	47.7	88.49	8.1	226	77	162	133,701	824	
2015	16,387	12,405	41	1,845	44.7	81.01	8.3	222	76	218	121,936	559	
2016	16,061	11,676	39	1,387	35.4	76.66	9.9	140	63	141	120,749	857	
2017	16,605	11,871	38	1,631	42.9	85.00	9.0	180	66	152	138,737	911	
2018	16,666	11,902	37	1,697	45.9	85.00	10.6	160	85	126	86,863	689	
2019 [r]	16,754	11,638	38	1,806	47.5	85.00	10.7	169	82	135	89,172	661	
2020 [p]	16,840	11,622	38	1,729	45.5	85.00	11.4	152	82	125	90,768	726	

Notes: [a] The sugar export price level closely approximates the actual average prices for production because local consumption accounts for a small percentage of total production. Price for 1978 season and before to the growers is based on the formula as laid down under the Denning Award.

[b] In 1998 bulk of the sugar was exported to the European Union markets which paid higher prices.

[c] The data in the table is according to the sugar industry seasons.

[d] Totals may not sum due to rounding

* An increase in the tonne of cane to produce a tonne of sugar (tonne of cane per tonne of sugar) resulted in a decline in the production of sugar. This led to a decline in exports thus resulting in the export market quota not being met.

** A decline was recorded due to the Labasa crops being damaged by a cyclone in March 2010, excessive standover cane due to poor mill performance and also, cancellation of contracts/registrations annually by the sugar industry tribunal due to non production for the last 3 consecutive years. The non-production is due to poor cane price which small growers are unable to sustain.

r Revised from source

p Provisional

n/a not available

Source: Fiji Sugar Corporation