USDA Announces Fiscal Year 2027 Sugar Loan Rates, Allotment and Marketing Allocations; Fiscal Year 2026 Reallocations

News Release | | September 30, 2026

(Washington, D.C., Sept. 30, 2026) - The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) today announced sugar loan rates for crop year 2026 (fiscal year 2027). CCC also announced sugar beet and sugarcane allotments and processor marketing allocations for the fiscal year 2027, and sugar beet and sugarcane reallocations for fiscal year 2026.

Marketing Assistance Loan Rates

USDA offers commodity loans to processors of sugar beets and domestically grown sugarcane to provide interim financing to producers so that sugar can be stored after harvest when market prices are typically low and then sold later when price conditions are more favorable. The Working Families Tax Cuts Act increased the national average loan rate to 24.00 cents per pound for raw cane sugar and 32.77 cents per pound for refined beet sugar. These rates are adjusted regionally to reflect marketing cost differentials.

Loans are available beginning Oct. 1, 2026, and mature at the end of the nine-month period beginning the first day of the first month after the month in which the loan is made, or the end of the fiscal year in which the loan is made, whichever is earlier. Producers have the option to deliver the pledged sugar collateral to CCC as full payment for the loan at maturity.

Loan Rates for Refined Beet Sugar

The refined beet sugar processing regions and applicable 2026-crop (fiscal year 2027) loan rates in cents per pound of refined beet sugar are:

- Michigan and Ohio - 33.47
- Minnesota and the eastern half of North Dakota - 32.63
- Northeastern quarter of Colorado, Nebraska and the southeastern quarter of Wyoming - 33.50
- Montana, northwestern quarter of Wyoming and the western half of North Dakota - 33.04
- Idaho, Oregon and Washington - 32.53

- California - 34.08

Loan Rates for Raw Cane Sugar

The 2026-crop (fiscal year 2027) raw cane sugar loan rates in cents per pound of cane sugar, raw value are:

- Florida - 22.84
- Louisiana - 25.07

Note: Hawaii stopped producing sugar in January 2017 and Texas stopped producing sugar in fiscal year 2025.

Sugar beet and sugarcane processors who receive CCC loans in fiscal year 2027 are required to make minimum grower payments for all sugar beets and sugarcane received from growers. Processors failing to meet the required minimum grower payment will be ineligible for loans. Sugar beet grower minimum payments are the amount specified in the grower/processor contract.

Sugarcane processors must, at minimum, pay growers for their share of production from molasses and sugar per ton of cane as specified here. State minimum payments are:

- Florida - $33.58
- Louisiana - $39.17 per gross ton

The schedule of raw sugar premiums and discounts can be found in the Farm Service Agency (FSA) handbook 10-SU, or in FSA's state and county offices.

Fiscal Year 2026 Reallocations

In accordance with section 359e of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1359ee), after evaluating each sugar beet and sugarcane processor's ability to market its full allocation, USDA is transferring fiscal year 2026 allocations from sugar beet and sugarcane processors with surplus allocation to those with deficit allocation, as shown in the table below.

Each sugar cane processor's allocation following these changes is shown in the column labeled "Revised Allocations & Allotments" and the amount of change in each cane processor's allocation in the column labeled "Reassignments."

FY 2026 REVISED BEET/CANE ALLOTMENTS AND ALLOCATIONS (short tons, raw value)				
Distribution	Initial FY26 Allotments & Allocations	FY26 Revisions 2/11/2026	Reassignments	Revised Allotments & Allocations
Beet Sugar	5,525,221	5,525,221	0	5,525,221
Cane Sugar	4,640,779	4,640,779	0	4,640,779
Imports			0	0
TOTAL OAQ	10,166,000	10,166,000	0	10,166,000
BEET PROCESSORS' MARKETING ALLOCATIONS:				
Amalgamated Sugar Co.	1,182,992	1,253,366	22,090	1,275,456
American Crystal Sugar Co.	2,031,883	2,062,295	-44,870	2,017,425
Michigan Sugar Co.	570,620	619,628	-3,097	616,531
Minn-Dak Farmers Co-op.	383,721	365,520	-12,756	352,764
So. Minn Beet Sugar Co-op.	745,729	541,286	-24,263	517,024
Western Sugar Co.	564,013	622,606	52,917	675,523
Wyoming Sugar Company, LLC	46,264	60,519	9,980	70,499
TOTAL BEET SUGAR	5,525,221	5,525,221	0	5,525,221
STATE CANE SUGAR ALLOTMENTS:				

Florida	2,616,569	2,301,104	-20,556	2,280,548
Louisiana	2,024,210	2,339,675	20,556	2,360,231
Texas	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CANE SUGAR	4,640,779	4,640,779	0	4,640,779
CANE PROCESSORS' MARKETING ALLOCATIONS:				
Florida				
Florida Crystals	1,077,310	863,521	-20,529	842,992
Growers Co-op. of FL	470,682	439,888	25,835	465,722
U.S. Sugar Corp.	1,068,577	997,696	-25,862	971,834
TOTAL	2,616,569	2,301,104	-20,556	2,280,548
Louisiana				
Sugar Growers and Refiners	1,405,272	1,621,172	16,524	1,637,696
M.A. Patout & Sons	618,938	718,502	4,032	722,534
TOTAL	2,024,210	2,339,675	20,556	2,360,231
Texas				
Rio Grande Valley	0	0	0	0

Fiscal Year 2027 Sugar Allotment and Marketing Allocations

CCC also announced the fiscal year 2027 overall sugar marketing allotment, which is established at 10,574,850 short tons, raw value (STRV). The overall sugar marketing allotment is set to 85% of the estimated quantity of sugar for domestic human consumption of 12,441,000 for fiscal year 2027 as forecast in the September 2026 World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates report. By law, a fixed percentage of the overall sugar marketing allotment is to be assigned to the beet sector and the cane sector. CCC will distribute the fiscal year 2027 beet sugar allotment of 5,747,431 STRV (54.35% of the overall sugar marketing allotment) among the sugar beet processors and the cane sugar allotment of 4,827,419 STRV (45.65% of the overall sugar marketing allotment) among the sugarcane states and processors.

Although the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, directs USDA to assign 325,000 STRV of the cane sector allotment to "offshore states," CCC has determined that while sugarcane was formerly produced in Puerto Rico and Hawaii, both have permanently exited sugarcane production. As a result, CCC has allocated the 325,000 STRV of the cane sector allotment previously reserved for offshore states to the mainland sugarcane producing states.

Additionally, because no sugarcane crop is forecast to be produced in Texas during fiscal year 2027 (crop year 2026), the Texas portion of the mainland sugarcane allotment is distributed to other mainland sugarcane producing states. The initial fiscal year 2027 sugar marketing state allotments and processor allocations are listed in the table below.

CCC determined that farm-level proportionate shares are not necessary in Louisiana in fiscal year 2027, the only state eligible for proportionate shares, because the cane sugar sector is not expected to fill its allotment.

USDA will closely monitor stocks, consumption, imports and all sugar market and program variables on an ongoing basis. USDA will continue to administer the sugar program as transparently as possible using the latest available data and adjust as necessary to ensure adequate supplies of both raw and refined sugar in the domestic market.

The fiscal year 2027 sugar marketing state allotments and processor allocations are listed in the table below:

FY 2027 REVISED BEET/CANE ALLOTMENTS AND ALLOCATIONS (short tons, raw value)	
Distribution	Initial FY27 Allotments & Allocations
Beet Sugar	5,747,431
Cane Sugar	4,827,419
TOTAL OAQ	10,574,850
BEET PROCESSORS' MARKETING ALLOCATIONS:	
Amalgamated Sugar Co.	1,230,569
American Crystal Sugar Co.	2,113,806
Michigan Sugar Co.	593,569
Minn-Dak Farmers Co-op.	399,153
So. Minn Beet Sugar Co-op.	775,720
Western Sugar Co.	586,490
Wyoming Sugar Company, LLC	48,124
TOTAL BEET SUGAR	5,747,431
STATE CANE SUGAR ALLOTMENTS:	
Florida	2,721,800
Louisiana	2,105,619

Texas	0
TOTAL CANE SUGAR	4,827,419
CANE PROCESSORS' MARKETING ALLOCATIONS:	
Florida	
Florida Crystals	1,120,637
Growers Co-op. of FL	489,612
U.S. Sugar Corp.	1,111,552
TOTAL	2,721,800
Louisiana	
Sugar Growers and Refiners	1,461,789
M.A. Patout & Sons	643,830
TOTAL	2,105,619
Texas	0
Rio Grande Valley	0

Farm Service Agency:

1400 Independence Ave.
SW Washington, DC 20250

Contact:

FPAC Press Desk
FPAC.BC.Press@usda.gov