

LOUISIANA SUGARCANE STATISTICS

2016 CROP/ VALUE IN 2017

INDUSTRY FACTS

Number of farms	438
Average farm size (acres planted)	870
Number of Parishes farming sugarcane	23
Total acres in sugarcane cultivation	520,000
Total acres planted in sugarcane	410,000
% of acreage which is leased land	>80

PRODUCTION

Acreage harvested for sugar	403,000
Acreage grown for seed cane	28,000
Total gross tons ground	12,822,249
Total short tons sugar produced (raw value)	1,614,116
Total gallons 80° brix molasses	68,711,185

CROP VALUE

Value of the crop in La. ¹	\$ 820,000,000
Total value to growers and landowners (60%)	\$ 440,800,000
Total value from factories (40%)	\$ 305,900,000
State ranking (plant, animal and fisheries commodities) ²	third
State ranking (plant commodities only) ²	second
Direct economic value generated (x 2.75)	\$2,255,000,000

EMPLOYMENT³

Estimated number of farm workers	5,250
Estimated number of raw sugar factory workers	7,200
<u>Estimated number of refinery workers</u>	<u>3,950</u>
Total estimated number of industry workers (direct and indirect jobs)	16,400

¹ LSU Ag Center Ag Summary

² Excludes Forestry; Louisiana Summary 2016 Agriculture and Natural Resources, LSU Ag Center, www2.lsuagcenter.com/agsummary/

³ “Economic Importance of the Sugar Industry to the U.S. Economy - Jobs and Revenues” LMC International Ltd; Aug. 2011