

LOUISIANA SUGARCANE STATISTICS

**2017 CROP/
VALUE IN 2018**

INDUSTRY FACTS

Number of farms	439
Average farm size (acres planted)	1,000
Number of Parishes farming sugarcane	24
Total acres in sugarcane cultivation	530,000
Total acres planted in sugarcane	440,000
% of acreage which is lease land	>80

PRODUCTION

Acreage harvested for sugar	408,000
Acreage grown for seed cane	32,000
Total gross tons ground	15,034,909
Total short tons sugar produced (raw value)	1,858,605
Total gallons 80° brix molasses	78,014,809

CROP VALUE

Value of crop in La. ¹	945,466,500
Total value to growers and landowner (60%)	567,280,000
Total value from factories (40%)	378,186,500
State ranking (plant, animal and fisheries commodities) ²	third
State ranking (Plant commodities only) ²	second
Direct economic value generated (x2.75)	2,600,000,000

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 2017 Agriculture and Natural Resources, LSU Ag Center, www.2lsuagcenter.com/agsummary

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