

SUNSHINE SUGAR

CRUSHING SEASON UPDATE

Week Ending: 02-August-2026



	Harwood	Broadwater	Condong	TOTALS
Commenced Crushing	23-June-2026	25-June-2026	22-June-2026	
Crushing Forecast (tonnes) <i>including intermill transfers</i>	495,000	480,000	440,000	1,415,000
Completed Crushing				
Cane crushed (tonnes for week)	27,690	18,769	20,965	67,424
Cane crushed (tonnes year to-date)	115,276	49,236	82,875	247,387
Average CCS (week)	11.21	10.02	11.25	10.89
Average CCS (year to-date)	11.03	10.08	10.87	10.79
Crushing Rate (tonnes/hr)	176	197	158	175
Crushing Rate (year to-date)	171	192	159	171

Comments

Harwood

A fair week of crushing, with 27,690 t of cane processed at an average rate of 176 t/hr against the 200 t/hr target. This included 599 t of Broadwater cane. Factory uptime was very good, achieving 157 crushing hours with relatively low lost time.

Based on the available crushing hours, cane supply constraints limited the opportunity to crush a further 3,704 t.

Lost Time: A total of 11.1 hrs of lost time was recorded last week. Major lost time contributors were:

- 2.6 hrs to No 1 mill pressure feeder hydraulic drive.
- 2.3 hrs to repair a failed lime supply pump.
- 1.9 hrs to complete a shredder tip change.
- 1.8 hrs to replace a failed coupling on the ESJ pump.
- 1.0 hr to high mud loading early in the week when crushing recommenced after the wet weather. The mud levels quickly improved as the week progressed.

Cane Analysis

- Avg CCS was 11.21 against a budget of 11.80.
- Avg cane purity was 85.24 against a budget of 85.5.
- Avg ash was 2.67 against a budget of 3.2.
- Avg fibre was 17.22 against a budget of 16.4.

Bin weight: Avg bin weight was 25.66 t

We will be conducting our planned evaporator clean and maintenance day this Thursday 6/08/2026. As has been communicated it will be a longer stop due to the repairs required to No 7 vacuum pan.

Broadwater

A mixed crushing week at Broadwater Mill with rain over the weekend limiting supply, a boiler outage on the 27 July, and clarification of mud proving to be challenging from Thursday (30 July) onward.

Broadwater crushed 18,768.77 tonnes (budget 24,805) over 95.13 hours at an average crush rate of 197.29 tph.

Broadwater has now crushed 49,236 tonnes against a budget of 135,915 tonnes of cane.

Total lost time for the week was 78.73 hours (budget 47 hours) and included the following stops:

- Cane Supply – 0.0 hrs
- Cane Transport – 0.0 hrs
- Feeding station – 0.26 hrs
- Crushing station – 0.52 hrs
- Clarification – 41.48 hrs
- Evaporators – 0.23hrs
- Boiler – 33.5 hours
- Outside (wet weather and other) – 2.3hrs

Significant disruptions to crushing operation this week resulted from a boiler demineralised water supply issue, and mud from a particular area proving to be very difficult to floc in our clarifier. We sent bins of this cane to Harwood and Condong and confirmed that it is a consistent issue with this particular cane supply in all factories. We took steps to stagger these problematic bins of cane which improved performance but still resulted in some unplanned outages.

Average Cane CCS was 9.98 (budget 11.4), purity low at 79.08 (budget 84.2), fibre measured 17.96 (budget 15.8) and ash at 5.00%.

Average bin weight was 26.10 tonnes.

Condong

Crushed 20,965 tonnes for the week at an average rate of 158 tcph.

Day Shift crush regularly >180t/hr, average rate low due to a large number of forced slowdowns due to cane supply and high mud.

Wet weather again impacted harvesting, crushing didn't resume until Monday.

CCS was 11.3 (5 yr av 11.7), cane purity slightly below budget at 84.5%.

Cane fibre was above budget at 15.3%, Ash was 2.8% (0.8% above budget).

Forecast finish date is 6th of December.

Total stoppages for the week was 40 hrs. Major stops were:

- 2.4 hrs – CBM cleaning debris from FC1,
- 2.8 hrs – Clarifier High mud level,
- 28 hrs – Wet weather.

Crushing rate reductions converted to equivalent lost time:

- 6.4 hrs – Cane supply restrictions and unfulfilled quotas,
- 3.1 hrs – Clarifier high mud level,
- 1.4 hrs – Bagging plant breakdown.

CBM have requested an extended Maintenance Day of approx. 26 hrs, commencing Wed 5th at 2030 hrs.