

**INTERNAL REPORT - NOT FOR PUBLICATION**



# SUNSHINE SUGAR

## CRUSHING SEASON UPDATE

**WEEK ENDING: 10/08/2025**

	Harwood	Broadwater	Condong	TOTALS
Commenced Crushing	20-June-2025	16-June-2025	19-June-2025	
Completed Crushing				
Cane crushed (tonnes for week)	16,447	16,533	14,913	47,893
Cane crushed (tonnes year to-date)	151,931	161,642	113,810	427,383
Average CCS (week)	11.37	10.01	11.90	11.07
Average CCS (year to-date)	11.02	10.48	10.96	10.80
Crushing Rate (tonnes/hr)	182	186	164	177
Crushing Rate (year to-date)	176	198	156	177

### Comments

#### Harwood

A rain interrupted week of crushing with 16,447 tonne cane crushed at 182 t/hr.

During Wednesday 06/08/25, the opportunity was taken to complete some maintenance work and conduct an evaporator clean while cane supply was interrupted due to wet weather. The team has worked closely with Harvesting teams in managing supply throughout the wet weather to minimising stop/start operations.

Unfortunately, during the heavy wet weather, the cane carrier was hitting its drive load amps regularly. Engineering continues to review the lubrication program and work through other potential causes.

- Avg CCS for the week was 11.36 against a budget of 11.8.
- Avg cane purity was 86.14 against a budget of 85.1.
- Avg cane ash was 2.03% against a budget of 2.45%. The mud loading was quite high with some bins but remarkably good for most of the cane delivered.
- Avg cane fibre was 16.12 against a budget of 16.4.

A total of 77.4 hrs of lost time was recorded for the week. Major lost time issues were:

- 65.8 hrs to wet weather/cane supply.
- 4.8 hrs to a fuel choke on the bagasse conveyors while in loading fuel.
- 3.3 hrs to repair No 4 mill UF roller drive chain tensioner.
- 1.6 hrs to repair/replace shredder tips after a rake from the backward leveller broke off and passed through the shredder.

**Average bin weights:** steel bins 22.45 tonnes, aluminium 24.21 tonnes & weight overall 23.56 tonnes.

**Number of bin type utilised:** steel bins filled 257 & aluminium bins filled 441.

This week we have not crushed any cane due to wet weather stop. While down for the wet weather this week engineering is taking opportunity to undertake work on No 1 mill coupling and other smaller jobs on the milling train as well as address some work needed on the bagasse conveyors e.g. replacing a noisy electric motor on No 3 bagasse conveyor.

We have some 2700 tonnes of burnt cane still to be harvested, and at this stage we aware 3 of our harvesters will recommence operations tomorrow morning. We anticipate starting the mill at approximately midday.

Discussions are underway with Harvesting Groups to explore 7th Harvesting machine operation once weather improves to push Harwood mill and facilitate transfer of cane to Broadwater to support bridging the gap in timeline impact on tonnage crushed so reduce season length. We do not believe this will be able to

#### Broadwater

A wet week crushing week resulted in only 16,533.26 t of Broadwater cane crushed, with 585 t of our cane crushed at Condong Mill.

Total lost time for the week was 76.02 hours against a budget of 47.0 hours and included:

- Wet weather- 58.72 hrs
- Clarification (high mud levels) – 11.08 hrs
- Crushing station – 2.1hrs
- Feeding station - 1.62hrs
- Cane Supply – 0.0 hrs
- Cane Transport – 0.0 hrs
- Boiler – 2.4 hours

Average crush rate 185.8 t/hr (Budget 260t/hr - note with up to 40tph HWD cane).

Cane CCS still lower than budget at 10.05 (budget 11.9), purity 80.9 (84.8), fibre 16.0(15.5) and ash 3.6%.

Bin weights averaged 24.48 over the week (Max. 25t).

#### Condong

Throughput for the week was again impacted by wet weather and extended stops with only 14,913 tonnes crushed at an average rate of 164 tcph.

Cane quality improved throughout the week.

CCS was 11.92 (5yr ave 11.9) and Cane purity was 84.6% (budget 85.1%).

Cane fibre was 15.6% and Cane ash was 2.46%, both above the 5yr average.

Cane bin payload averaged 24.65 tonnes.

Stoppages totalled 76.3hrs for the week, the major stops were:

- 16 hrs – Cane Supply and Wet Weather,
- 17 hrs – CBM ID Fan motor replacement and Turbine Valve fault,
- 17 hrs – Feeding Station - Replace broken joining links in #3 Cane Elevator, Shredder governor replacement,
- 22 hrs – #4 Mill pinion replacement.