

Sugar Monthly Import and Re-Exports

Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Report

December 2016

The December WASDE report shows FY 2017 WTO raw sugar tariff-rate quota (TRQ) shortfall projected at 99,208 short tons raw value (STRV), unchanged from last month. No information available about specific countries.

The second tranche of the specialty sugar TRQ is full. The third tranche of 40,000 metric tons raw value will open on January 6, 2017. A valid specialty sugar certificate must accompany the imported sugar.

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Table 1 -- U.S. Monthly Sugar Imports, Fiscal Year (FY) 2017

Reference	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Entries	WASDE Projection ^{1/} 9-Dec-16	Percent of WASDE Projection
	<i>Metric Tons, Raw Value</i>												<i>MTRV</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Total Quota (Sum of tables 3-5)													299,917	1,390,970	22%
Table 3 WTO raw sugar TRQ	126,395	97,479											223,874	1,027,195	22%
Table 4 WTO refined sugar TRQ	8,731	41,354											50,085	159,046	31%
Table 5 FTA sugar TRQs	7,269	18,689											25,958	204,729	13%
Table 7 Re-export program imports	98,008	25,330											123,338	158,757	78%
Table 2 Mexico	37,100	63,600											100,700	882,007	11%
High-duty sugar	900	700											1,600	13,608	12%
Total	278,403	247,152											525,555	2,445,342	21%
	<i>Short Tons, Raw Value</i>												<i>STRV</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Total Quota (Sum of tables 3-5)													330,602	1,533,282	22%
Table 3 WTO raw sugar TRQ	139,327	107,452											246,779	1,132,289	22%
Table 4 WTO refined sugar TRQ	9,624	45,585											55,209	175,318	31%
Table 5 FTA sugar TRQs	8,013	20,601											28,614	225,675	13%
Table 7 Re-export program imports	108,035	27,922											135,957	175,000	78%
Table 2 Mexico	40,896	70,107											111,003	972,246	11%
High-duty sugar	992	772											1,764	15,000	12%
Total	306,887	272,438											579,325	2,695,528	21%

Source: See individual reference tables for sources.

^{1/} USDA World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) report for month indicated.

Factor for Metric tons to Short Tons: 1.10231125

Table 2 -- U.S. Imports of Sugar from Mexico, Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 ^{1/}

	Oct-16 Forecast ^{3/}	Nov-16 Forecast	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	FY 2017 Entries
District Port Name													
Baltimore, MD	0												
Chicago, IL	0												
El Paso, TX	2,172												
Houston-Galveston, TX	153												
Laredo, TX	5,211												
Miami, FL	0												
Mobile, AL	1,870												
New Orleans, LA	10,667												
New York, NY	0												
Nogales, AZ	8,415												
Philadelphia, PA	160												
San Diego, CA	1,007												
San Juan, PR	1,875												
Savannah, GA	0												
Tampa, FL	699												
Total sugar, commercial weight	35,000	60,000											95,000
<i>Total sugar, raw value ^{2/}</i>	<i>37,100</i>	<i>63,600</i>											<i>100,700</i>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Trade Data, except forecast is FAS.

1/ Includes all entries under U.S. Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) lines 1701.12.10, 1701.12.50, 1701.13.10, 1701.13.50, 1701.14.10, 1701.14.20, 1701.14.50, 1701.91.10, 1701.91.30, 1701.99.10, and 1701.99.50 (and all associated 10-digit HTS lines).

2/ Raw value is commercial weight multiplied by a factor of 1.06.

3/ The New Orleans entries reported by the U.S. Census Bureau in October were included within Mexico's shipments under the October 2015-September 2016 Export Limit Period. October totals may not add due to rounding.

Table 3 -- U.S. Raw Sugar Tariff-Rate Quota (TRQ) WTO Allocations and Entries By Month, Fiscal Year (FY) 2017

	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	----- FY 2017 -----			
	10/31/2016	11/28/2016	12/26/2016	1/30/2017	2/27/2017	4/3/2017	5/1/2017	5/29/2017	7/3/2017	7/31/2017	8/28/2017	9/25/2017	Entries	TRQ ^{1/}	Not entered to date	Entries as percentage of TRQ
	<i>Metric Tons, Raw Value</i>															
Argentina	0	207											207	45,281	45,074	0.5%
Australia	31,495	28,398											59,893	87,402	27,509	68.5%
Barbados	6,007	0											6,007	7,371	1,364	81.5%
Belize	0	0											0	11,584	11,584	0.0%
Bolivia	0	0											0	8,424	8,424	0.0%
Brazil	0	33,094											33,094	152,691	119,597	21.7%
Colombia	260	662											922	25,273	24,351	3.6%
Congo	0	0											0	7,258	7,258	0.0%
Costa Rica	0	0											0	15,796	15,796	0.0%
Cote d'Ivoire	0	0											0	7,258	7,258	0.0%
Dominican Republic	0	280											280	185,335	185,055	0.2%
Ecuador	11,528	0											11,528	11,584	56	99.5%
El Salvador	27,325	0											27,325	27,379	54	99.8%
Fiji	0	0											0	9,477	9,477	0.0%
Gabon	0	0											0	7,258	7,258	0.0%
Guatemala	6,937	4,109											11,046	50,546	39,500	21.9%
Guyana	12,636	0											12,636	12,636	0	100.0%
Haiti	0	0											0	7,258	7,258	0.0%
Honduras	0	0											0	10,530	10,530	0.0%
India	0	0											0	8,424	8,424	0.0%
Jamaica	0	16											16	11,584	11,568	0.1%
Madagascar	0	0											0	7,258	7,258	0.0%
Malawi	6,933	267											7,200	10,530	3,330	68.4%
Mauritius	1,243	779											2,022	12,636	10,614	16.0%
Mexico ^{2/}	0	0											0	7,258	7,258	0.0%
Mozambique	2,894	10,796											13,690	13,690	0	100.0%
Nicaragua	0	9,073											9,073	22,114	13,041	41.0%
Panama	26	0											26	30,538	30,512	0.1%
Papua New Guinea	0	0											0	7,258	7,258	0.0%
Paraguay	106	106											212	7,258	7,046	2.9%
Peru	0	0											0	43,175	43,175	0.0%
Philippines	0	0											0	142,160	142,160	0.0%
South Africa	0	0											0	24,220	24,220	0.0%
St. Kitts and Nevis	0	0											0	7,258	7,258	0.0%
Swaziland	16,061	0											16,061	16,849	788	95.3%
Taiwan	0	0											0	12,636	12,636	0.0%
Thailand	0	0											0	14,743	14,743	0.0%
Trinidad-Tobago	0	0											0	7,371	7,371	0.0%
Uruguay	0	0											0	7,258	7,258	0.0%
Zimbabwe	2,944	9,692											12,636	12,636	0	100.0%
Total	126,395	97,479											223,874	1,117,195	893,321	20.0%

Source: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Weekly Commodity Status Report.

1/ In May 6, 2016, USDA set the raw sugar TRQ at the minimum level to which the United States is committed in the Uruguay Round Agreement on Agriculture.

2/ For all sugar imports from Mexico, see Table 2, U.S. Imports of Sugar from Mexico. All sugar from Mexico currently enters the United States under NAFTA access provisions.

Table 4 -- U.S. Refined Sugar Tariff-Rate Quota (TRQ) WTO Allocations and Entries By Month, Fiscal Year (FY) 2017

	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Fiscal Year 2017-----		
	10/31/2016	11/28/2016	12/26/2016	1/30/2017	2/27/2017	4/3/2017	5/1/2017	5/29/2017	7/3/2017	7/31/2017	8/28/2017	9/25/2017	Entries	TRQ	Entries to date as percent of TRQ
	<i>Metric Tons, Raw Value</i>														
Global Minimum	7,090	0											7,090	7,090	100.0%
Canada	0	1,354											1,354	10,300	13.1%
Mexico ^{1/}														2,954	0.0%
Specialty, WTO minimum ^{2/}	1,641	0											1,641	1,656	99.1%
Specialty, Additional ^{2/}	0	40,000											40,000	140,000	28.6%
Total	8,731	41,354											50,085	162,000	30.9%

Source: U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

1/ For all sugar imports from Mexico, see Table 2, U.S. Imports of Sugar from Mexico. All sugar from Mexico currently enters the United States under NAFTA access provisions.

2/ The tranches of the FY 2017 specialty sugar TRQ open as follows in MTRV. See Federal Register notice of May 6, 2016, Vol. 81, No. 88, Pages 27390-27391.

Tranche 1	1,656	10/3/2016
Tranche 2	40,000	10/26/2016
Tranche 3	40,000	1/6/2017
Tranche 4	30,000	4/7/2017
Tranche 5	30,000	7/7/2017

Table 5A -- U.S. Sugar and Sugar-Containing Product Tariff-Rate Quotas (TRQs) Allocations and Entries by Month Under Other Free Trade Agreements ^{1/}

	CY 2016 Jan-Sep	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	CY 2016 Entries	CY 2016 TRQ	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	CY 2017 Entries	CY 2017 TRQ	FY 2017 Entries
		10/31/2016	11/28/2016	12/26/2016			1/30/2017	2/27/2017	4/3/2017	5/1/2017	5/29/2017	7/3/2017	7/31/2017	8/28/2017	9/25/2017			
	<i>Metric Tons, Raw Value</i>																	
CAFTA-DR, Total	128,228	65	30		128,323	140,580											145,220	95
Costa Rica	13,187	13	0		13,200	13,200											13,420	13
Costa Rica special	1,358	12	20		1,390	2,000											2,000	32
Dominican Republic ^{2/}	303	40	10		353	12,000											12,200	50
El Salvador	32,860	0	0		32,860	32,860											34,000	0
Guatemala	44,520	0	0		44,520	44,520											47,000	0
Honduras	9,600	0	0		9,600	9,600											9,760	0
Nicaragua	26,400	0	0		26,400	26,400											26,840	0
Colombia	23,518	6,705	18,160		48,383	53,000											53,750	24,865
Panama, Total	3,867	499	499		4,865	7,325											7,390	998
Panama, General ^{2/}	0	0	0		0	525											530	0
Panama, Raw Sugar	3,867	499	499		4,865	6,300											6,360	998
Panama, Specialty	0	0	0		0	500											500	0
Peru, Total	0	0	0		0	2,000											2,000	0
Peru ^{2/}	0	0	0		0	0											0	0
Peru special	0	0	0		0	2,000											2,000	0
Total	155,613	7,269	18,689		181,571	202,905											208,360	25,958

Source: U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

^{1/} These TRQs are established on a calendar year basis. See Federal Register Notice of December 11, 2015.

^{2/} Determined not to have a trade surplus as defined under the Free Trade Agreements, and thus the CY 2016 TRQs are zero. See Federal Register Notice of December 11, 2015.

Additional countries with which the United States has Free Trade Agreements covering sugar:

- 1) Singapore has unlimited access for originating sugar, but does not produce sugar.
- 2) Bahrain has unlimited access for originating sugar, but does not produce sugar.
- 3) Oman has 21.107 metric tons for CY 2016 TRQ.
- 4) Chile was determined to have no trade surplus as defined under the Free Trade Agreement, and thus the CY 2016 TRQ is zero. See Federal Register Notice of December 11, 2015.
- 5) Morocco was determined to have no trade surplus as defined under the Free Trade Agreement, and thus the CY 2016 TRQ is zero. See Federal Register Notice of December 11, 2015.

Table 5B -- U.S. Sugar-Containing Products^{1/} Tariff-Rate Quota (TRQ) Allocations and Entries By Month, Fiscal Year (FY) 2017

	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	-----Fiscal Year 2017-----		
	10/31/2016	11/28/2016	12/26/2017	1/30/2017	2/27/2017	4/3/2017	5/1/2017	5/29/2017	7/3/2017	7/31/2017	8/28/2017	9/25/2017	Entries	TRQ	Entries to date as percent of TRQ
	<i>Metric Tons</i>														
Canada	343	333											676	59,250	1.1%
Other Countries	1,965	1,498											3,463	5,459	63.4%
Total	2,308	1,831											4,139	64,709	6.4%

Source: U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

1/ Authorized under Additional U.S. Note 8 of Chapter 17 of the U.S. Harmonized Tariff Schedule: 59,250 MT to Canada, and 5,459 MT to other countries on a first-come, first-served basis.

Table 6 -- U.S. Refined Sugar Reported for Export Credit Under the U.S. Refined Sugar Re-Export Program, Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 ^{1/}

	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	FY 2017 Entries Reported to date
	<i>Metric Tons, Raw Value</i>												
Mexico	1,420	1,010											2,430
All Other Countries	1,511	946											2,457
Total	2,931	1,956											4,887

Source: USDA Foreign Agricultural Service.

1/ Reporting deadline is the end of the calendar quarter following the quarter in which the transaction occurs. Monthly totals are preliminary until after reporting deadline.

Table 7 -- U.S. Raw Sugar Imports Under the U.S. Sugar Re-Export Program, Fiscal Year (FY) 2017

	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	FY 2017 Entries
	<i>Metric Tons, Raw Value</i>												
Re-export sugar	98,008	25,330											123,338

Source: U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

Table 8 -- USDA Estimate of FY 2017 Sugar Imports (October 1, 2016 - September 30, 2017)

	December 2016 Forecast			November	Change	Change	
	TRQ	Shortfall, or entry in a different Fiscal Year	Total	Total	Forecast	December from November	December from November
	MTRV	Metric Tons Raw Value (MTRV)	Short Tons Raw Value	MTRV	MTRV	STRV	
FY 2017 WTO Raw sugar TRQ:							
WTO Minimum Quantity	1,117,195		1,117,195	1,231,497	1,117,195	0	0
Shortfall		-90,000		-99,208	-90,000	0	0
Sub-Total WTO Raw Sugar TRQ	<u>1,117,195</u>		<u>1,027,195</u>	<u>1,132,289</u>	<u>1,027,195</u>	0	0
FY 2017 WTO Refined sugar TRQ:							
Canada Quantity	10,300		10,300	11,354	10,300	0	0
Mexico Quantity	2,954	-2,954					
Global Quantity	7,090		7,090	7,815	7,090	0	0
Specialty Sugar							
WTO Minimum Quantity	1,656		1,656	1,825	1,656	0	0
Additional Quantity	140,000		140,000	154,324	140,000	0	0
Sub-Total WTO Refined Sugar TRQ	<u>162,000</u>		<u>159,046</u>	<u>175,318</u>	<u>159,046</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Free Trade Agreements (Calendar Year TRQs):							
CAFTA/DR CY 2017	145,220						
Oct-Dec 2016			200	220	200	0	0
Jan-Sep 2017			120,318	132,628	120,318	0	0
Peru CY 2017	2,000						
Oct-Dec 2016			0	0	0	0	0
Jan-Sep 2017			0	0	0	0	0
Colombia CY 2017	53,750						
Oct-Dec 2016			29,482	32,498	29,482	0	0
Jan-Sep 2017			48,375	53,324	48,375	0	0
Panama CY 2017	7,390						
Oct-Dec 2016			630	694	630	0	0
Jan-Sep 2017			5,724	6,310	5,724	0	0
Sub-Total Free Trade Agreements	<u>208,360</u>		<u>204,729</u>	<u>225,675</u>	<u>204,729</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total TRQ	<u>1,487,555</u>		<u>1,390,970</u>	<u>1,533,282</u>	<u>1,390,970</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Mexico ^{1/}			882,007	972,246	923,514	-41,507	-45,754
Re-export Program Imports			158,757	175,000	113,398	45,359	50,000
Sugar syrups, High-Tier			13,608	15,000	13,608	0	0
Total Projected Imports ^{2/}			<u>2,445,342</u>	<u>2,695,528</u>	<u>2,441,490</u>	<u>3,852</u>	<u>4,246</u>

Source:

1/ All entries from Mexico reflected in row labeled "Mexico."

2/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

Table 9 -- U.S. Sugar Re-Export Program License Balances and Transactions, Fiscal Years (October 1 - September 30)

Fiscal Year by Quarter ^{5/}	Refiners				Sugar-Containing Product			Polyhydric Alcohol		
	<i>Metric tons raw value</i>				<i>Short tons, refined sugar</i>			<i>Short tons, refined sugar</i>		
	Refiner Beginning Balances ^{1/}	Imports	Export Credits	Transfers to SCP and Poly Licenses	SCP Beginning Balances ^{3/}	Transfers from Licensed Refiners	Export Credits	POLY Beginning Balances ^{4/}	Transfers from Licensed Refiners	Used to make Polyhydric Alcohols
FY 2013:										
October-December	-24,065	53,532	51,312	34,096	-169,222	29,701	47,223	-10,260	5,530	4,787
January-March	-55,942	24,033	42,023	28,466	-186,744	23,280	49,011	-9,516	6,071	4,781
April-June	-102,399	40,551	47,541	77,777	-212,476	74,947	50,991	-8,226	5,172	6,406
July-September ^{2/}	-187,166	536,285	103,769	109,808	-188,520	89,236	55,958	-9,460	10,373	4,170
Total		654,401	244,646	250,148		217,165	203,184		27,146	20,143
FY 2014:										
October-December	135,542	15	48,936	22,486	-155,242	19,480	53,617	-3,257	3,688	6,631
January-March	64,135	32,582	128,062	51,048	-189,380	48,395	53,731	-6,200	4,211	3,163
April-June	-82,392	91,432	56,216	78,109	-194,716	75,006	53,352	-5,152	5,487	5,659
July-September	-125,286	154,058	33,620	84,510	-173,062	79,538	59,545	-5,325	7,574	6,006
Total		278,087	266,834	236,153		222,418	220,245		20,959	21,460
FY 2015:										
October-December	-89,359	84,433	23,374	72,892	-153,069	69,685	61,699	-3,757	5,440	4,434
January-March	-101,193	193,378	44,476	75,023	-145,082	72,482	64,853	-2,751	4,903	4,747
April-June	-27,314	44,820	37,566	74,274	-137,453	70,783	67,446	-2,595	5,861	5,716
July-September	-94,334	104,841	37,771	67,843	-134,115	63,721	67,517	-2,451	6,317	5,690
Total		427,471	143,187	290,031		276,672	261,514		22,521	20,588
FY 2016:										
October-December	-95,106	86,329	35,999	61,704	-137,912	58,053	54,572	-1,824	5,622	5,490
January-March	-106,481	49,108	10,328	20,314	-134,430	18,949	9,715	-1,692	1,990	3,440
Summary by Fiscal Year:										
FY 2009	-35,172	282,237	138,228	136,097	-119,832	124,042	172,190	-7,774	16,409	15,557
FY 2010	-27,260	410,358	188,227	240,645	-168,032	229,528	192,686	-6,922	18,550	17,560
FY 2011	-45,775	264,093	199,195	212,326	-131,190	199,167	198,758	-5,931	20,451	13,821
FY 2012	-193,203	610,930	263,208	178,584	-130,831	162,998	200,082	699	21,613	32,572
FY 2013 ^{2/}	-24,065	654,401	244,646	250,148	-169,222	217,165	203,184	-10,260	27,146	20,143
FY 2014	135,542	278,087	266,834	236,153	-155,242	222,418	220,245	-3,257	20,959	21,460
FY 2015	-89,359	427,471	143,187	290,031	-153,069	276,672	261,514	-3,757	22,521	20,588

1/ A negative balance indicates that cumulative exports and transfers exceed cumulative imports. A positive balance indicates that cumulative imports exceed cumulative exports and transfers.

2/ The July-Sept. amount of 536,285 in "Refiners Imports" is the sum of the following: imports, 6,175 MTRV; exchange of CCC-owned sugar for credits, 516,981 MTRV; transfers between refiners, 13,129 MTRV.

3/ A negative balance indicates that cumulative exports exceed cumulative transfers from refiners. A positive balance indicates that cumulative transfers from refiners exceed cumulative exports.

4/ A negative balance indicates that cumulative use exceeds cumulative transfers from refiners. A positive balance indicates that cumulative transfers from refiners exceed cumulative use.

5/ Historic balances may vary slightly from previously published figures due to corrections or adjustments to reported transactions.