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## MY 2012-13 Sugarcane Reference Price Up Slightly

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#### **Report Highlights:**

The National Committee for the Sustainable Development of Sugarcane (CONADESUCA) through the Secretariat Economy (SE) published <u>the sugarcane reference</u> price for MY 2012/13 in the *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register). This reference price is also the price that should be used to calculate final sugarcane payments for the MY 2011/12 crop. The reference price is \$10,617.72 pesos per MT (US\$827.56/MT at \$12.83 pesos per dollar exchange rate), up slightly from last year.

#### **General Information:**

**Introduction:** This report summarizes an announcement from the Secretariat of Economy the sugarcane reference price for MY 2012/13, published in Mexico's "Diario Oficial" (Federal Register) on October 26, 2012.

**Disclaimer:** This summary is based on a cursory review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

**Title:** Announcement of the Reference Price of Sugar- Standard Base- for payments of sugarcane for MY 2012/13 as Proposed by the National Committee for the Sustainable Development for Sugarcane.

**Executive Summary**: The Secretariat of Economy published an announcement in the *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register), on October 26, 2012 that states the reference price of sugar -standard base- that should be used to calculate sugarcane payments for the MY 2012/13 crop. The reference price is \$10,617.72 pesos per MT (US\$827.56/MT at \$12.83 pesos per dollar exchange rate) which is 2.40 percent more from last marketing year price of \$10,368.58 pesos per MT (US\$768.61/MT at \$13.49 pesos per dollar).

According to what has been established by the National Committee, this reference price will also be the definitive reference price of sugar for the final adjustment payment for MY 2011/12 sugarcane.

The sugar reference price is based on a complex formula involving, amongst other data, the average price of semi-refined (estandar) sugar in different regions of the country, as determined by CONADESUCA. The reference price is important because, according to Article 58 of the Law of Sustainable Development of Sugarcane, approximately 57 percent of this set reference price is paid to growers for their sugarcane.

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