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The Kenya Sugar Board produces a monthly newsletter that gives insights into the performance of the sugar industry in a given period. Attention is focused on local sugar production, wholesale and retail prices, imports, exports, sugar by-products and the global sugar market outlook. The **August 2025** newsletter gives a comparative analysis of industry performance in the period January – August 2024 and 2025.

The total sugarcane milled in August 2025 decreased by 7%, to 465,981 MT, from 501,604 in July 2025.

The drop was recorded in most of the operational Sugar Mills, except in Kibos, Sukari and West Valley. During the review period, KISCOL, Naitiri, Busia, Butali, Chemelil and Nzoia remained closed. Muhoroni Sugar Company (2025) has resumed production.

Sugar made decreased by 3% to 41,031 MT in August 2025 from 42,374 MT in July 2025.

The industry average cane to sugar ratio (TC/TS) in August was 11.32 from 11.84 in July 2025.

Total sugar produced (bagged) in August 2025 recorded 3% decrease to 40,800 MT from 42,255 MT in July 2025.

Sugar sales by millers decreased by 4% in August 2025, reaching 41,014 MT, down from 42,764 MT in July 2025.

In August 2025 sugar closing stocks decreased by 1% to 18,399 MT from 18,623 MT in August 2025.

In August 2025, molasses production increased by 12% to 19,480 MT from 17,358 MT in July 2025.

Molasses sales decreased by 9% to 16,184 MT from 17,788 MT in July 2025 and from 16,342 MT.

Total closing stocks of molasses as at the end of August 2025 were 16,826 MT up 24% from 13,543 MT in July 2025.

In August 2025, sugarcane prices remained at Kshs. 5,750 per tonne, in compliance with the minimum set price. The last revision was done by the Interim Sugarcane Pricing Committee on 21st July 2025.

The weighted ex-factory sugar price for August 2025 dropped by 4% to Kshs. 6,885 from Kshs. 7,154 per 50 kg bag in July 2025.

During the month of August 2025, wholesale prices decreased to an average of Kshs. 7,080 per 50kg bag, down 6% from Kshs. 7,559 per 50kg bag in July 2025.

Retail sugar prices in August 2025 averaged Kshs. 171 per kilo, down 3% from Kshs. 176/kg in July 2025.

In January - February 2025, molasses exports were 2,582 MT, destined for Tanzania, Uganda and Oman. In August 2025, there was no molasses export.

In August 2025, molasses import was 440 MT, all sourced from Uganda, at a CIF values of Kshs. 13,180 per tonne.

In August 2025, sugar imports totaled 64,149 MT, 46% up from 44,057 MT in July 2025. The imports comprised 42,507 MT of Mill White/Brown sugar and 21,642 MT of White Refined sugar

In August 2025, CIF Mombasa landed values for imported White Refined sugar averaged Kshs. 85,275/MT compared to Kshs. 94,256/MT for Mill White/Brown sugar,

The average ISA Daily Raw Sugar Price in August reached USD16.74 cents/lb (USD 369.61/tonne), remaining within a few points of the last two month's averages (USD16.70 cents/lb in July and USD16.73 in June).

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