



KENYA SUGAR BOARD

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SUGAR MARKET NEWSLETTER

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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 **July 2026** newsletter gives a comparative analysis of industry performance in the period January – July 2026 and 2025.

The total sugarcane milled in July 2026 increased by 1.5%, to 1,013,058 MT, from 998,010 in June 2026.

A total of 5,938,225 metric tons of cane was processed from January to July 2026, representing increase of 44.2% compared to the same period in 2025.

Sugar made increased by 1.3% to 91,301 MT in July 2026 up from 90,124 MT in June 2026.

The industry's average sugar recovery rate decreased to 9.01% in July 2026 from 9.03% in June 2026.

Total sugar production (bagged) in July 2026 increased by 1,313 MT to 91,022 MT compared to 89,709 MT achieved in June 2026.

Sugar sales by millers increased by 15.7% in July 2026, reaching 82,450 MT, compared to 71,248 MT in June 2026.

In July 2026 sugar closing stocks increased by 14.3% to 70,893 MT from 62,032 MT in June 2026.

In July 2026, molasses production increased by 1.6% to 39,195 MT from 38,574 MT in June 2026. Molasses sales decreased by 7.8% to 29,455 MT from 31,943 MT in June 2026.

Total closing stocks of molasses as at the end of July 2026 were 47,445 MT up 39.3% from 34,073 MT in June 2026.

The sugarcane price paid to farmers in both July and June 2026 averaged Kshs. 5,500 per tonne, in compliance with the minimum price set by the Interim Sugarcane Pricing Committee on 24th April 2026.

The average weighted ex-factory sugar price for July 2026 started at a mean price of Kshs. 6,420 per 50 kg bag, then declined to Kshs. 6,160 per 50 kg bag on 24th July. Thereafter, prices declined further to Kshs. 6,068 per 50 kg bag on 31 July 2026. Overall

weighted average was Ksh 6,256 per 50kg bag.

During the month of July 2026, wholesale prices increased by 0.7% to an average of Kshs. 6,575 per 50kg bag, from Kshs. 6,575 per 50kg bag in June 2026.

The average retail sugar price remained unchanged at Kshs. 155 per kilogram in July 2026, the same level recorded in June 2026.

In July 2026, molasses exports were 120 MT, destined for Uganda.

In July 2026, total sugar exports increased to 48.425 MT from 6.43 MT in June 2026

Kenya remains a net sugar-deficit country, with most of its sugar production consumed locally.

In July 2026, total sugar imports decreased by 52%, to 15,257 MT from 31,927 MT in June 2026. The imports comprised 31 MT of Mill White/Brown sugar and 15,226 MT of White Refined sugar.

In July 2026, CIF Mombasa landed values for imported White Refined sugar averaged Kshs. 80,144/MT compared to Kshs. 80,731/MT for Mill White/Brown sugar,

The average ISA Daily Raw Sugar Price in July averaging USD14.8 cents/lb, a USD 0.9 cents/lb or 6% increase from June.

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