



**Wednesday, 31 August 2022**

Dear David

A run of dry weather has enabled us to make good headway with the crush, with close to 40 per cent of the total crop processed.

We have now crushed **6.04 million tonnes of cane**, which represents **38 per cent** of the estimated **16.05 million tonne** crop.

We look forward to working closely with the growing and harvesting sectors to get the remaining crop off.

### **HERBERT**

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total HBT crop
12.0	1.85M	39 per cent	4.7 million tonnes

- The crop continues to cut above estimate, however CCS levels are tracking below budget due to in-season crop growth.
- Wet weather continues to interrupt harvesting and crushing operations. We have used the forced downtime to undertake maintenance and cleaning activities.
- Improved bin weights this season are helping to underpin good crush rates.

### **BURDEKIN**

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total BKN crop
14.50	3.15M	39 per cent	8.15 million tonnes

- Our Burdekin mills have achieved throughput totals of more than 400,000 tonnes for three consecutive weeks, as our production teams focus on maximising crush rates.

- We have passed the 3 million tonnes crushed milestone, and are nearing 40 per cent of the total crop crushed.
- Cane quality is improving in line with the dry field conditions. CCS is rising, although continues to track below forecast levels.

## PROSERPINE

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total PRO crop
14.41	515,800	30 per cent	1.7 million tonnes

- CCS continues to trend favourably, with the weekly average generally tracking above budget.
- Scattered showers over the past few days have created challenges for the harvesting and milling sectors.
- We are continuing to focus on improving factory reliability and daily loadings.

## PLANE CREEK

CCS this week	Tonnes to date	Per cent of total	Total PCK crop
13.60	528,000	35 per cent	1.5 million tonnes

- Weather and ground conditions have been ideal for harvesting.
- The crop continues to cut above estimate. CCS levels are rising, but are tracking one unit below budget.
- Factory reliability has been excellent. Crush rates have increased further following a successful evaporator clean last week.

## IN THE COMMUNITY





The North Queensland Cowboys' Game Development team headed into our sugar milling regions in July and August to run junior rugby league clinics with local clubs.

The Wilmar-sponsored clinics were held in Ingham, Proserpine and the Burdekin, and featured current and former Cowboys players, including Mitch Dunn and Ray Thompson.

At the end of the hour-long sessions, Wilmar representatives had a quick chat about cane train safety, before handing out prize packs and jelly beans.

The JRL clinics have been a key part of Wilmar's community partnership with the North Queensland Cowboys for many years.

Best regards

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