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Unless otherwise designated, split years (e.g., 1999/2000) refer to Marketing Years. All measures not otherwise noted are in metric tons and expressed in raw value. One kilogram (kg) = 2.2046 lbs., one metric ton (mt) = 2,204.62 lbs. or 1.10231 short tons, and one hectare = 2.471 acres. One ton of refined cane sugar = 1.07 tons of sugar, raw value. One ton of refined beet sugar = 1.087 tons of sugar, raw value (except for the United States, which is 1.07).

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Marketing Years for Centrifugal Sugar

Jan/Dec 1/	Apr/Mar	May/Apr	Jun/May	Jul/Jun	Aug/Jul	Sep/Aug	Oct/Sep	Nov/Oct	Dec/Nov
Egypt	Chile	Swaziland	Argentina	Australia	Romania	*Albania	China *Cuba	Thailand	
*Guyana	Indonesia	Brazil	Ecuador	*Bangladesh		*Algeria	Costa Rica	Dominican Rep.	
*Haiti	*Malawi		*Fiji	Greece		*Baltic States	India	Guatemala	
Jamaica	South Africa		*Mauritius	Ireland		*Barbados	Japan	Mexico	
Kenya	Zimbabwe			*Paraguay		Belize	Pakistan	Nigeria	
Malaysia				*Reunion		*Bolivia	Panama	Taiwan	
Morocco				Spain		*Bulgaria	Poland		
Peru				*Tanzania		Canada	Sweden		
Trinidad & Tobago						Colombia	United States		
*Zaire						*Cote d' Ivoire	European Union		
						Czech Republic	Russia		
						El Salvador	Ukraine		
						Finland			
						Honduras			
						Hungary			
						*Iran			
						*Iraq			
						Italy			
						South Korea			
						*Libya			
						*New Zealand			
						Nicaragua			
						*Norway			
						Philippines			
						Portugal			
						*Saudi Arabia			
						*Slovakia			
						*Sri Lanka			
						*Sudan			
						*Suriname			
						*Switzerland			
						*Tunisia			
						Turkey			
						United Kingdom			
						*Uruguay			
						Venezuela			
						former Yugoslavia			

1/ Calendar year in Egypt, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Peru, and Trinidad & Tobago is during the second half of split year.

* Countries and regions not covered by USDA Agricultural Counselor or Attaché Reports.