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Various sugar related articles

The Executive Director would like to draw your attention to the articles below all of which are relevant to the sugar sector.

FoodNavigator.com



[Good carbs, bad carbs? Study supports that high glycemic foods \(in moderation\) do not lead to weight gain any more than complex carbs](#)

A scientific review has called into question the validity of the commonly-held notion that foods with a high glycemic index (GI) – white bread, white rice, etc. – lead to more weight gain than low-GI foods (e.g. bran and other minimally processed grains).

https://www.foodnavigator.com/Article/2021/08/13/Good-carbs-bad-carbs-Study-supports-high-glycemic-foods-in-moderation-do-not-lead-to-weight-gain-any-more-than-complex-carbs?utm_source=copyright&utm_medium=OnSite&utm_campaign=copyright



[Judge dismisses lawsuit challenging 'slightly sweet' claims on Coca-Cola's Gold Peak tea](#)

Is it misleading to call iced tea containing 24g of added sugar per serving (48% of the daily value) 'slightly sweet'? Not according to a New York judge, who has just dismissed a putative class action lawsuit vs Coca-Cola over Gold Peak Tea.

https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/Article/2021/08/13/Judge-dismisses-lawsuit-taking-issue-with-slightly-sweet-claims-on-Coca-Cola-s-Gold-Peak-tea?utm_source=copyright&utm_medium=OnSite&utm_campaign=copyright

Sugaronline – Ebriefing

[BRAZIL: Cosan's controlling shareholder says Raízen is ready to innovate](#)

The controlling shareholder of Cosan, Rubens Ometto, has said that Raízen is ready to innovate with cellulosic ethanol technologies, biogas from vinasse, electricity from sugarcane bagasse and production of pellets from sugarcane straw, according to Valor Econômico.

Cosan and Shell have a controlling state in Raízen, which had its initial public offering (IPO) in the São Paulo stock exchange B3 last week.

The company plans to use the resources raised in the IPO to invest in these technologies. Ometto said that Raízen has "resolved the issues" related to the second-generation ethanol

technology, which has been installed in the Costa Pinto mill.

BRAZIL: UNICA says frosts reduced productivity of cane crops

Frosts that hit sugarcane production regions in Brazil's centre-south in June and July have reduced productivity of crops, according to sugarcane industry association UNICA, **reports Sugaronline**.

"Both crop productivity and the quality of the cultivated raw material have suffered from the frosts observed in recent weeks in the centre-south region," said UNICA's technical director, Antonio de Padua Rodrigues, in a statement on Aug. 10.

He said the need to harvest crops affected by frosts required significant changes in the harvesting schedule in several production units, with an estimated impact on July productivity of over 5 metric tonnes per hectare, and worsening in the quality of the sugarcane processed in the month. "In the coming fortnights we will have clearer evidence about the impact of frost on the crop to be harvested," said Rodrigues.

Brazil's centre-south mills crushed 46.69 million tonnes of sugarcane in the second half of July, down 8.16% year-on-year, according to UNICA.

The cumulative cane crush since the start of the season through Aug.1 reached 304.01 million tonnes, down 7.31% year-on-year.

Crop productivity in July is estimated at 73.7 tonnes per hectare, down from 89.8 t/h in the same month last year, according to a survey by the Cane Technology Centre (CTC) with 68 mills.

From April 1 to Aug. 1, the average productivity is seen at 75.7 t/h, down 12.5%

The average Total Recoverable Sugars (TRS) for the season is at 136.73 kg/t, up 1.07%.

Sugar production in the second half of July fell by 11.8% to 3.03 million tonnes, and ethanol output reached 2.28 billion litres, down 5.75%.

From April 1 to Aug. 1, sugar production reached 18.29 million tonnes (-7.68%) and ethanol output totaled 14.11 billion litres (-3.41%).

SWITZERLAND: Coca-Cola sees strong growth as COVID lockdowns lift

Switzerland-based soft drinks bottler Coca Cola HBC AG posted strong first-half results on Aug. 12, with growth in its out-of-home and at-home channels as COVID lockdowns ended, according to City AM.

The company, which bottles and sells Coca-Cola Co drinks in 28 countries, said comparable operating profit rose 67.8% to EUR350.3 million euros (US\$411.25 million) for the six months ended July 2.

Net sales revenue rose 14.7% to EUR3.2 (US\$3.76) bn in 2021, from EUR2.8bn for the period in 2020.

"We are encouraged by the strength of the performance, and while conscious of the risks as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact our markets, we continue to expect a strong recovery in FX-neutral revenues," CEO Zoran Bogdanovic said.
