

# ISMA Sugar & Ethanol Conference

#### Sugar Production (Domestic & Global)

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# Sugar Production Outlook — ISO Perspective

#### Agenda

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- Conclusion / Q&A



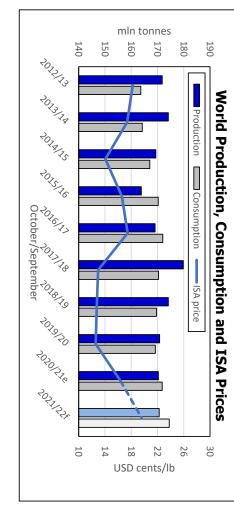


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### The Sugar Market

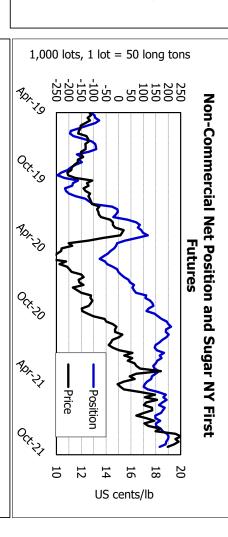


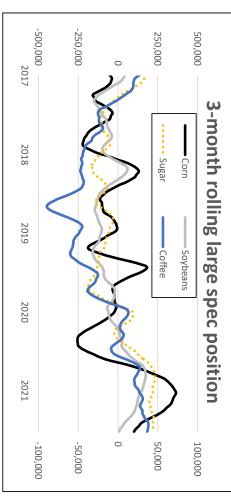
2021/22 deficit increased to 3.8 mln tonnes

Second year of deficit

Flat production in the last three years

Anticipating a recovery in consumption





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### **Production Outlook**

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Australia	Pakistan	Mexico	Russian Federation	Thailand	USA	China	EU-28	India	Brazil	(in mln metr	10 LARGEST PRODUCERS in 2020
4.35	4.88	5.63	5.70	6.90	7.18	10.15	15.11	30.72	41.21	(in mln metric tonnes, tel quel)	DUCERS in 2020

From the Sugar Yearbook 2021 – data for 2020

World Production fell by 1 mln tonnes to 170 mln tonnes Consumption fell by 0.5 mln tonnes to 169.5 mln tonnes

With little growth overall, the analysis needs to focus on interchanges between origins.

Drivers for variances include

Dependence on world / domestic market prices

Dependence on global weather dynamics

Interaction with other markets



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### Price dependence

# **Export** returns (or export share in production) are a function of destination / operation

92% 90% 88% 81% 66% 66% 62% 54% 53%	2021/22
94% 86% 90% 145% 64% 664% 51% 50%	2018-20

India	Colombia	Mexico	Argentina	Belarus	South Africa	Thailand	Brazil	Australia	World Market 2
18%	28%	29%	29%	38%	48%	69%	76%	79%	2021/22
20%	33%	32%	17%	50%	55%	77%	69%	70%	2018-20

Morocco	Bangladesh	Tolling
92%	107%	2021/22
125%	121%	2018-20



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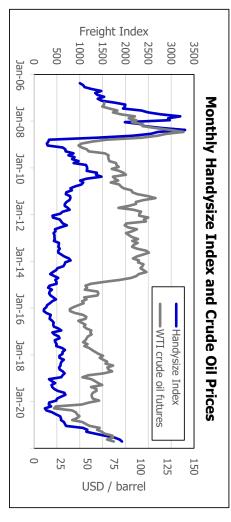
Importers facing high import costs and price targets

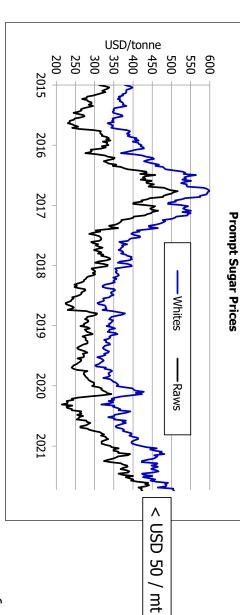
Russia – domestic price cap / duty-free imports
Sri Lanka – limiting import licencing / foreign exchange
Pakistan – capped prices / low interest at TCP tenders
Philippines – re-import licences and no US quota
commitment

EU - import parity against reported prices is not viable

Freight continues to rise

White premium too low for destination refiners







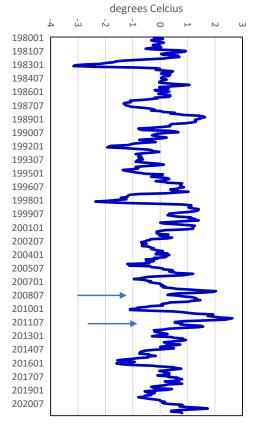
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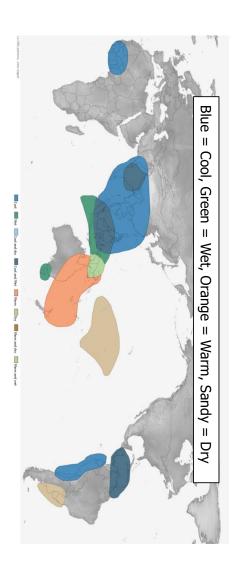
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### Weather dependence

Three-month average SOI



La Nina Impact – Jun/Jul/Aug



Source: NOAA Climate.gov

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## Interaction with other markets

**FAO Commodity Price Indices** 

#### Producer & Competing Crop

Brazil - Soybeans / Corn

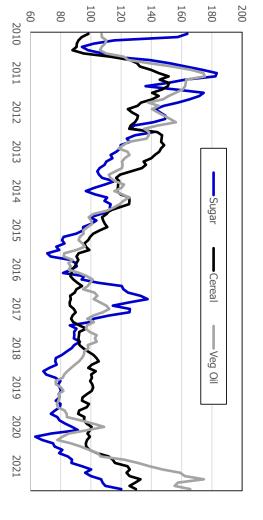
Thailand – Cassava / Rice

EU – Cereals

US – Corn

China - Corn / Vegetables

Russia - Cereals



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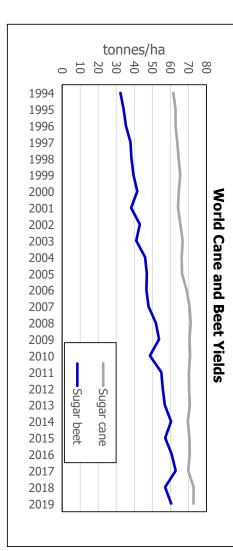
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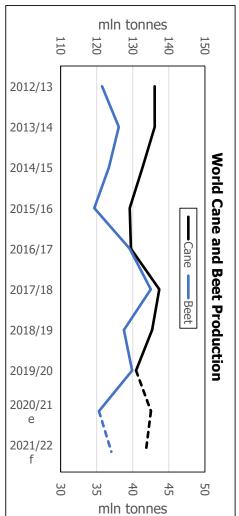
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## Flexibility vs Longevity

Beet yields have been catching up with cane

- More volatile than expected
  Price sensitivity
  Pesticide restrictions
  US weather risk
- Only structural growth when supported by the domestic market Egypt Turkey
- High reliance on natural gas for boilers







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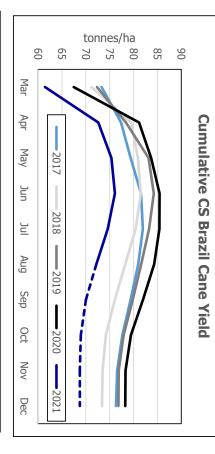
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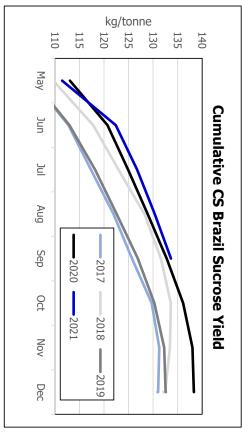
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Cane industry

Few producers can match CS Brazil productivity Cane yield down at 70 tonnes/ha Harvest = 540 mln tonnes (605 mln tonnes) Industrial yield at 135 kg sugar / tonne of cane







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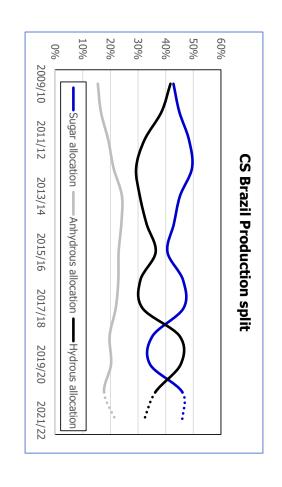
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## Flexibility vs Longevity

#### Sugar allocation little-changed

- Preferential markets are not sufficiently large or remunerative to keep industries growing. E.g. Mauritius, Belize, Guyana, Fiji
- Other producers are looking more regionally or locally, given high freight, ethanol programmes or alternative uses.
- Competition for land and water is increasing, but cogeneration remains a big bonus.





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## Beet Production — due early Q4

EU = 14.9 mln tonnes

Weather has been positive recently, low disease but increased cost of beet and energy

Russia = 6 mln tonnes

Fewer issues with energy costs Early start to harvesting due to lack of growth, beet yields up on last season

US = 4.2 mln tonnes

Harvesting commenced in second week of Aug, some weather setback but should progress quickly

Turkey = 2.9 mln tonnes

Record harvest last season, excellent trading position

Egypt = 1.8 mln tonnes (due in Q2 2022)

Expanding sector with positive yield developments

China = 1.1 mln tonnes

Could decline below 1 mln tonnes as farmers reportedly switched to corn



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## Cane Production — due late Q4

India = 30.7 mln tonnes

China = 9.2 mln tonnes

Good weather in southern states, but acreage under pressure. Prices are flat

Thailand = 9.0 mln tonnes

Farmers have switched back thanks to THB1,000 cane price, very wet weather recently

Pakistan = 6.4 mln tonnes

Good monsoon in 2020 lifts prospects, high prices in 2021 have caused political issues

Mexico = 5.8 mln tonnes

Crop is recovering following poor harvest in 2019/20. Prices are align with US

Australia

= 4.4 mln tonnes (ongoing since July)
Rain hampered harvesting recently, but production is proceeding well



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### Regional Outlook

Surplus in Americas – dominated by Brazil

Freight cost is a key variable today

MENA

Santos – Iraq Santos – Morocco II 4236 miles (14.7 days@12knots) 8521 miles (29.6 days)

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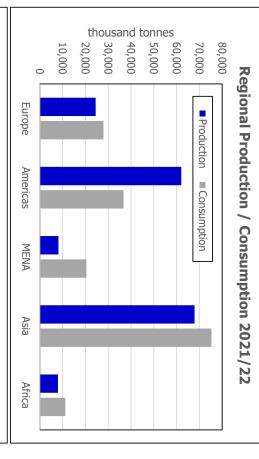
Santos – Bangladesh = 8894 miles (30.9 days)

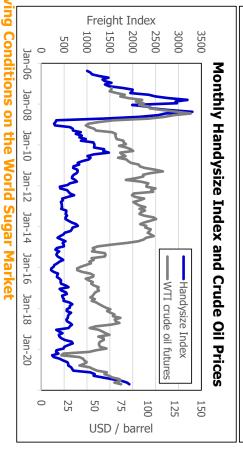
Santos – Bayuguan = 11586 miles (40.2 days)

Africa

Santos – Nigeria II 3454 miles (12 days)

and associated costs 50,000 tonne vessel. This calculation excludes time in port day's voyage (288 miles) will cost USD0.86/tonne for a At a daily charter rate of USD 30,000 plus fuel costs, every







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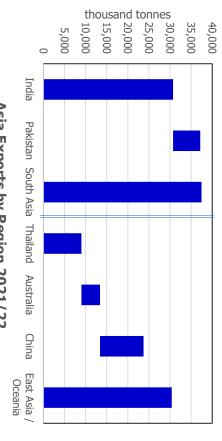
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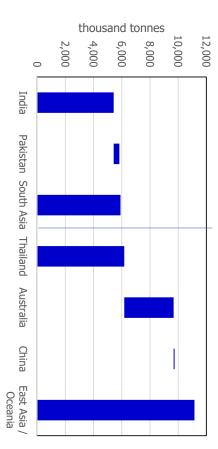
Asia Production by Region 2021/22

When inter-regional costs rise, than intra-regional trade becomes key

India's production is as large as in East Asia / Oceania







Ocean trade rather than looking East

But export volumes suggest a focus on regional / Indian

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Big Picture

**Fundamentals** 

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#### Conclusion

- For 2021/22 balance
- End date of the pandemic
- Better harvests in a range of countries
- Uncertainty over CS Brazil outlook
- Pandemic triggered a desire for stock holding, which is still reverberating
- Prices have rallied thanks to speculative long, ISO outlook is neutral
- "Commodity super-cycle" might be ending in arables
- Trade flows are hampered by high freight costs
- Low margins for refiners going forward point to continued need for Indian white sugar



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#### Thank you

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