

# *Cuban Sugar Harvest Comes to an End*

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Havana, June 3, (RHC), – The 2013-2014 Cuban sugar campaign winds up this week, though sugar mills in eastern Holguin province will continue operating in order to meet their production schedules.

According to AzCuba sugar group, which leads the sector, only seven sugar plants are still active in several provinces, which will stop operations this week, except for Holguin province.

AzCuba planned an 18-percent sugar production growth in comparison to last year, but adverse climate and weather allow only a 3 percent increase on that plan. An unusually unfavorable winter season, frequent rains, organizational inefficiencies, industrial breakdowns, lack of preparation of the personnel and other factors did not allow reaching the proposed growth.

The Cuban Sugar harvest lasts 150 days usually from mid November to late April and field operations are 90 percent based on mechanization.

This year's campaign was joined by 48 sugar mills, while a group of them could not process all the sugar cane needed due to the unfavorable factors, which did not allow the plants meet their production schedules.



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