The U.S. and World Sugar Industries under the EU and DOHA Trade Liberalization

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Presentation Outline

- Characteristics of the U.S. and world sugar industries
- Framework for the WTO negotiations
- Sugar policy reform in the EU
- Sugar simulation model
- Simulation results
- Summary and conclusions

Characteristics of the World Sugar Industry

- Sugar produced in over 100 countries
- Total production of sugar over 133 million tons annually for the 1999- 2003 period
- Total volume of sugar traded about 28 million tons for the 1999-2003 period.
- Market volatile and distorted.

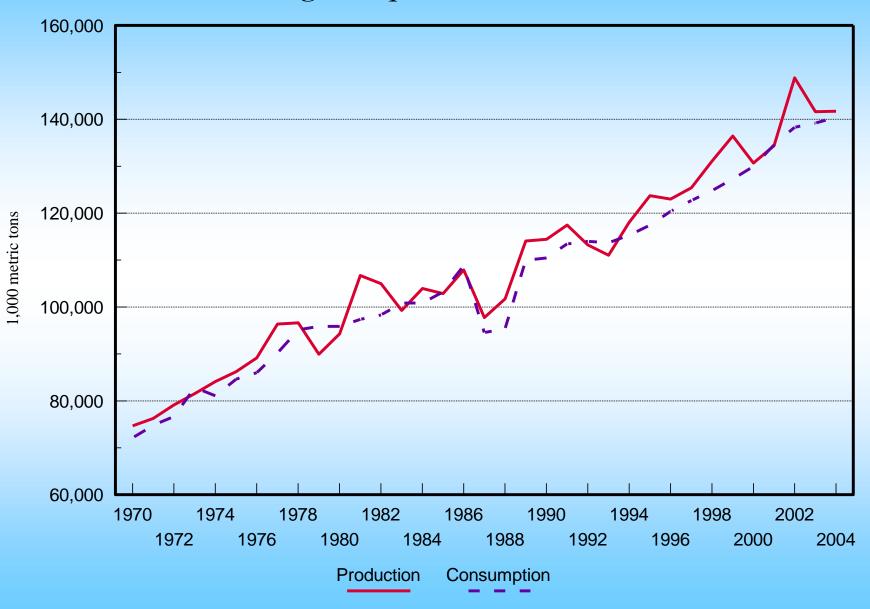
World Sugar Supply and Utilization, 1999 to 2003 Average

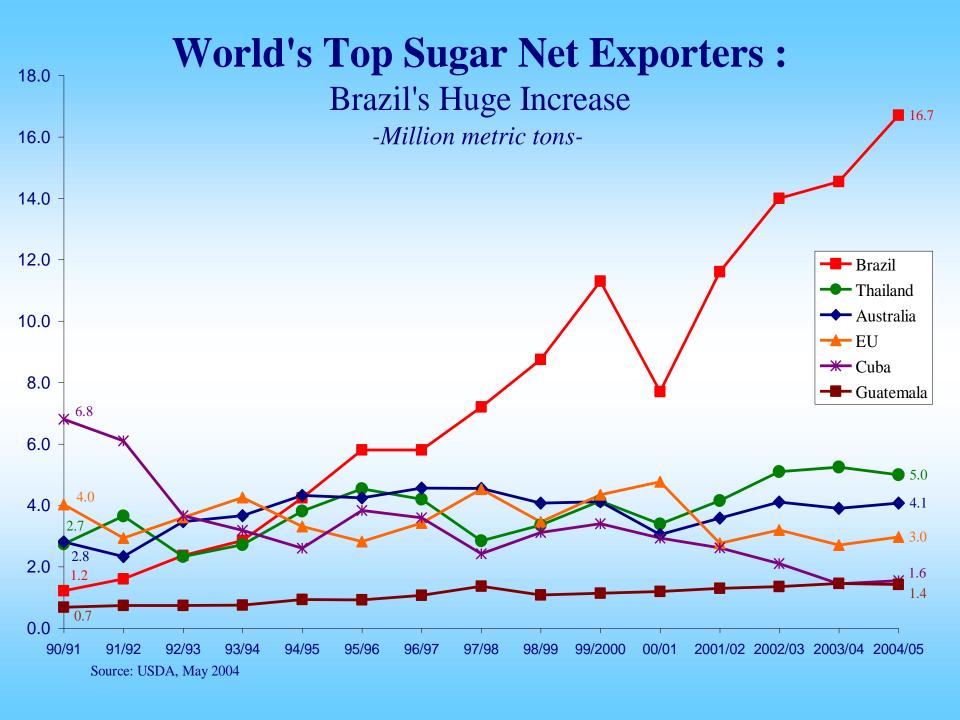
	~	~			Ending	Per Capita
Country	Crop ^a	Consumption	Production	Net Exports	Stocks	Consumption
		1,00	0 metric tons, ra	w value		kg
Algeria	B	948	9	-933	93	29
Australia	C	1,028	4,904	3,778	645	56
Brazil	C	9,484	20,752	11,450	895	53
Canada	В	1,259	55	-1,212	162	40
China	B/C	8,898	8,340	-458	1,436	7
Cuba	C	708	3,132	2,496	202	63
Egypt	B/C	2,153	1,381	-798	348	32
European Union	В	14,381	18,060	3,748	3,185	40
Former Soviet Union	В	10,882	3,954	-7,333	3,695	37
India	C	19,430	20,015	931	9,861	17
Indonesia	C	3,340	1,748	-1,740	1,343	16
Japan	B/C	2,255	804	-1,473	349	18
Mexico	C	4,877	5,026	244	1239	47
South Africa	C	1,576	2,741	1,197	468	36
South Korea	-	1,165	0	-1,152	91	24
Thailand	C	1,806	6,167	4,380	708	28
United States	B/C	8,680	6,969	-1,358	1,612	33
Rest of World	B/C	39,142	31,015	-11,368	7,750	18
World Total	B/C	133,187	133,712		33,915	20

 $^{^{}a}$ B = Sugarbeet; C = Sugarcane.

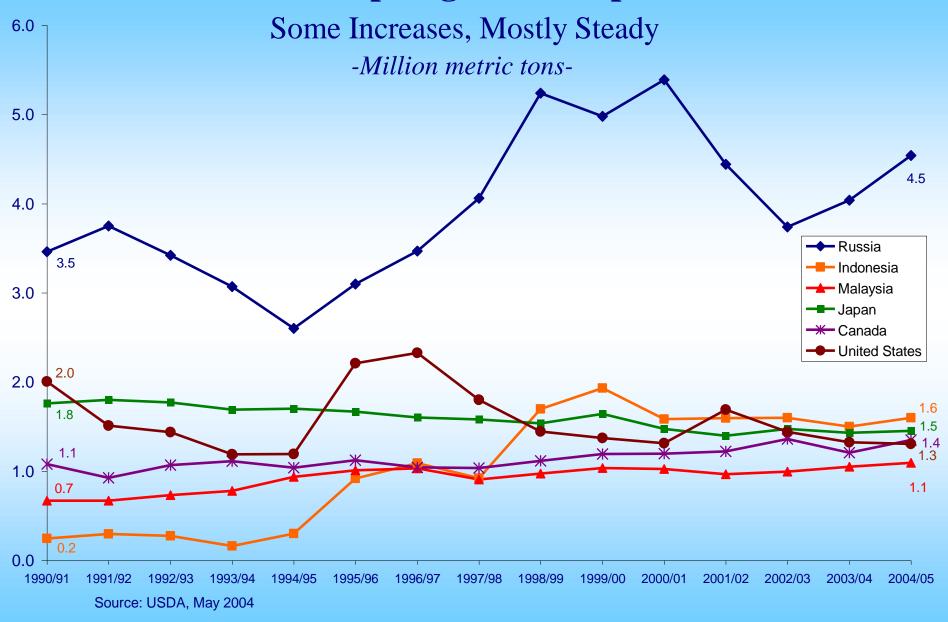
Source: USDA, PS&D View, 2004

World Sugar Production and Consumption, Raw Sugar Equivalent, 1970-2004





World's Top Sugar Net Importers:



Characteristics of the U.S. Sugar Industry

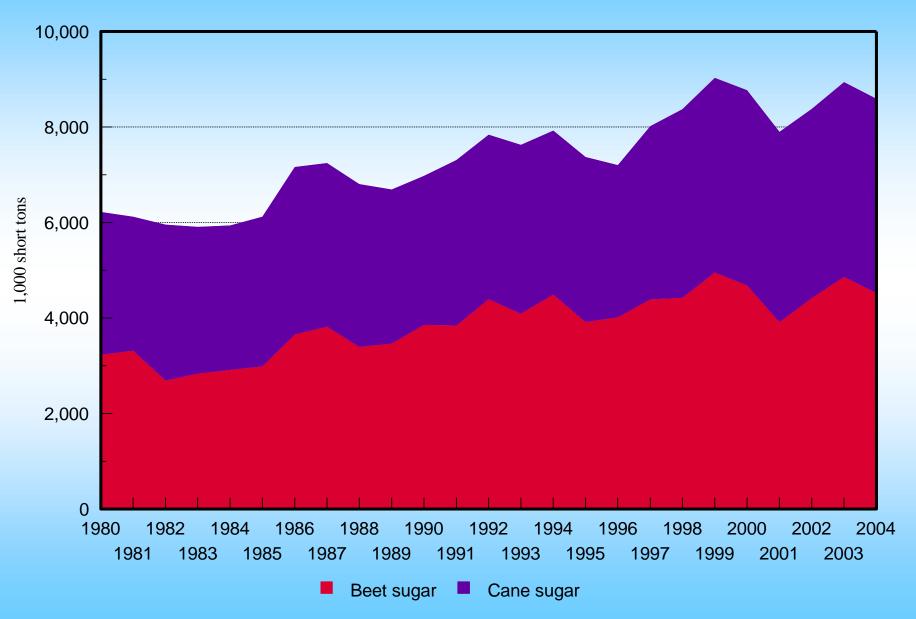
- World's fifth largest producer and consumer
- World's fourth largest importer
- Produce both beet and cane sugar

U.S. sugar industry profiles for 2003/2004

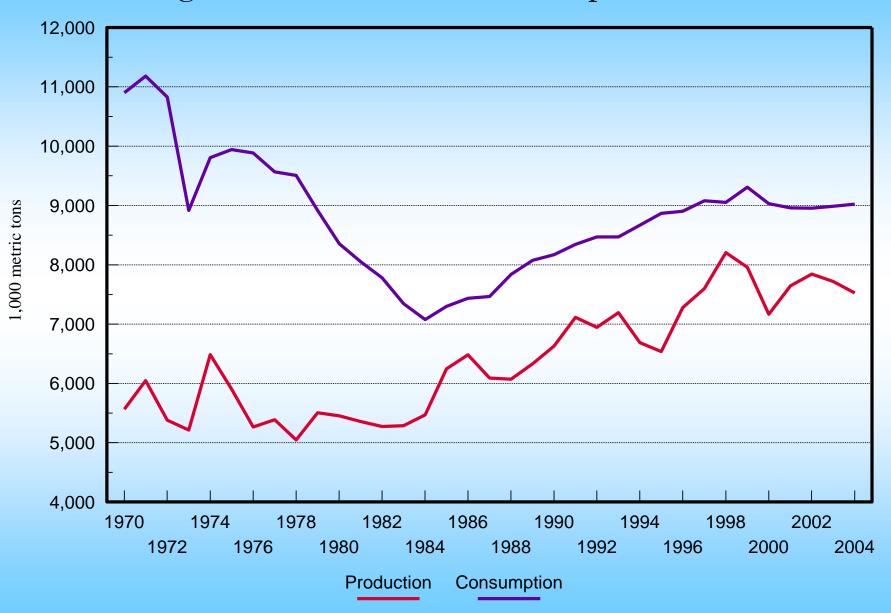
(million short tons, raw value)

- Beet sugar production: 4.81 from 26 factories in 10 states
- Cane sugar production: 4.05 from 24 cane mills in 4 states
- Total production: 8.86 from 50 facilities in 14 states
- Sugar consumption: 9.87
- TRQ imports: 1.23 from 41 quota-holding countries.
- Cane sugar refineries: 8 in 6 states.

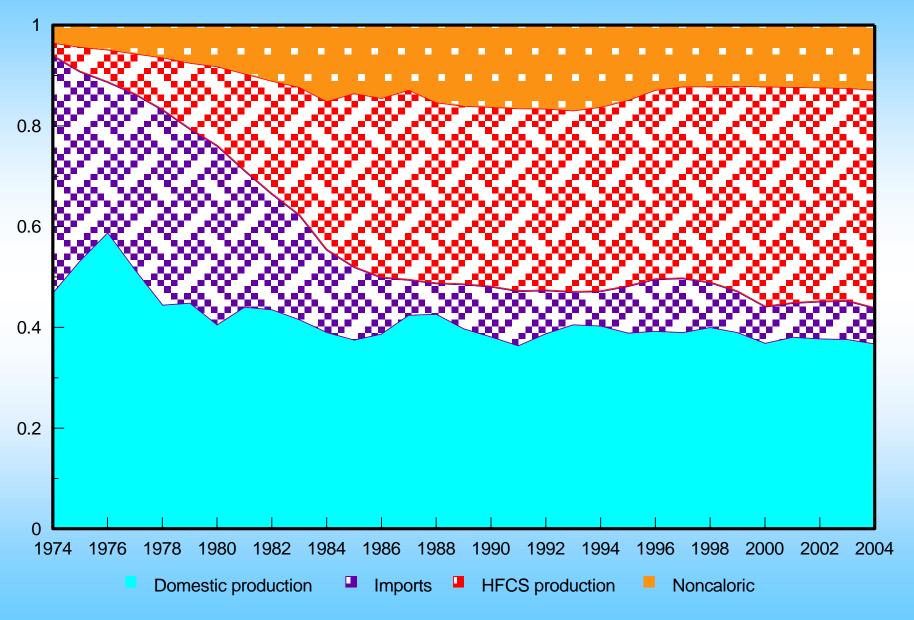
U.S. Production of Beet and Cane Sugar, 1980 to 2004



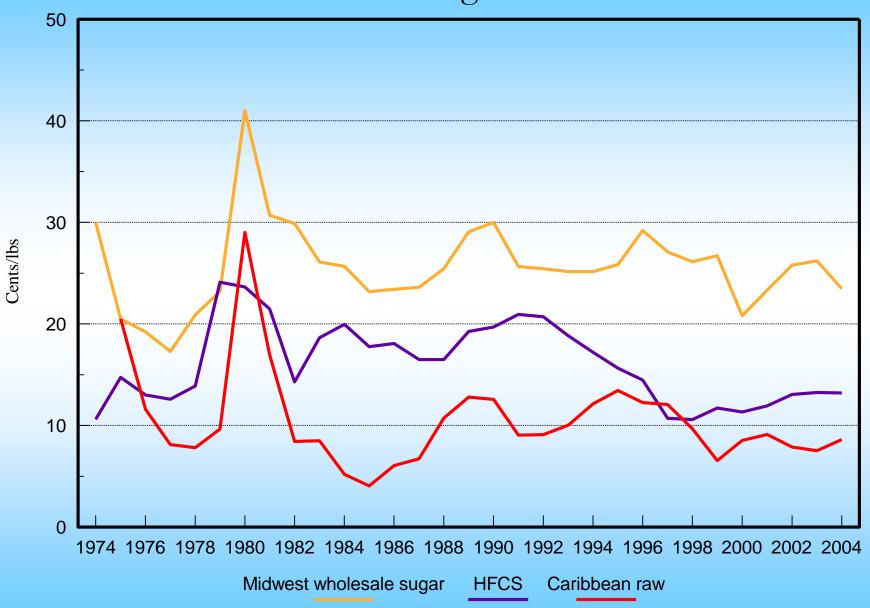
U.S. Sugar Production and Consumption, 1970-2004



Market Shares for Sweeteners in the United States



Caribbean and U.S. Sugar and HFCS Prices



WTO Framework Agreement for Agricultural Goods

- Market Access
- Domestic support
- Export Competition

Market Access

- Substantial improvement in market access
- Cut in tariffs and harmonization
- Exception for sensitive products in tariff quota expansion and tariff reduction
- Lesser tariff reduction commitments for developing countries

Domestic Support

- Substantial cut in trade distorting domestic support (amber box)
- Harmonization of countries' domestic support levels
- 20 percent cut on overall support in the first year of implementation
- Green box will be reviewed and clarified
- Blue box for U.S. counter-cyclical payments is allowed

Export Competition

- Export subsidies to be eliminated
- Export credits with repayment periods of more than 180 days to be eliminated
- Trade-distorting practices of export STEs to be eliminated

European Union's Reform in Sugar Policy

- Current policy and trade statistics
 - Domestic wholesale price of refined sugar (2000-2002 average): 30cents/lb> world market price.
 - Import tariff: 164%
 - Production quota: 17.4 mmt/year
 - Export subsidy: 1.3 mmt/year

2004 Statistics (mmt)

Production	16.5
Consumption	14.4
Exports	4.6
Imports	2.1

Expected reform:

- price cut in refined sugar from 632 euros to 421 euros (\$758 to \$505).
- Reduction in sugarbeet price from 32.8 euros to 27.4 euros per ton (\$39.4 to \$32.9)
- Quota reduced from 17.4 mmt to 14.6 mmt
- New member countries are compensated as old members in terms of sugar support programs

- Introduction of decoupled payments to sugar farmers in the form of Single Farm Payments (SFP) to compensate 60% of lost revenue due to price and quota reduction
- ACP and India sugar import remain at 1.3 mmt, but price reduced from 421 euros to 329 euros (\$505 to \$395) per metric ton

Model Structure and Development

Harvested area equation:

$$a_{i,t}^{s} = f(a_{i,t-1}^{s}, p_{i,t-1}^{s}, p_{i,t-1}^{c}, g_{t})$$

Total quantity of sugar production:

$$qp_{i,t}^s = a_{i,t}^s \cdot y_{i,t}^s$$

Per capita sugar consumption:

$$fd_t^s = f(p_t^s, cy_t, t)$$

Total consumption of sugar:

$$qd_t^s = fd_t^s \cdot pop_t$$

Carry-out stocks equation:

$$qs_t^s = f(qs_{t-1}^s, qp_t^s, p_t^s)$$

Net export equation:

$$qx_{t}^{s} = qs_{t-1}^{s} + qp_{t}^{s} - qd_{t}^{s} - qs_{t}^{s}$$

A market equilibrium condition:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q x_t^{s,n} = 0$$

Price equations:

$$pm_t^{s,n} = pm_t^{s,w} \cdot er_t^n$$

$$pd_t^{s,n} = pm_t^{s,n} \left(1 + t_t^n\right) + TC_t^n$$

EU and DOHA Scenarios

- Limited liberalization in the EU
- Limited liberalization under DOHA proposal in selected countries (China, the EU, Japan, and the United States)
 - 20% cut in tariffs
 - 20% increase in import quota

Sugar Price, Production, Consumption, and Imports under the Base and Alternative Scenarios in the United States (1,000 tons)

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	2004 Actual	Base	EU	DOHA
Production				
Beet sugar	4,358	4,683	4,685	4,636
Cane Sugar	4,120	4,367	4,369	4,333
Consumption	9,905	10,703	10,716	10,803
Imports	1,429	1,670	1,670	1,926

Sugar Price, Production, Consumption, and Imports under the Base and Alternative Scenarios in the United States (continued)

			2013		
		2004 Actual	Base	EU	DOHA
Prices					
Sugarbeet	(\$/ton)	40.00	40.34	40.15	38.96
Sugar cane	(\$/ton)	27.00	27.73	27.56	26.43
Caribbean	(cents/lbs)	8.40	8.55	9.96	12.10
U.S. Import	(cents/lbs)	17.50	16.30	16.16	15.25
Wholesale	(cents/lbs)	26.50	24.84	24.74	23.79
Retail	(cents/lbs)	42.40	40.69	40.49	39.20

Production, Consumption, and Trade in Selected Countries under the Base and WTO Scenarios

	Base	WTO-DOHA		
Production	1,000 mt			
Australia	5,391	5,530		
Brazil	33,039	37,689		
Thailand	8,237	8,510		
China	10,706	10,865		
European Union	18,834	15,096		
India	21,044	21,165		
Japan	892	795		
Mexico	6,239	6,289		
United States	8,211	8,137		

Production, Consumption, and Trade in Selected Countries under the Base and WTO Scenarios

	Base	WTO-DOHA		
Consumption	1,000 mt			
Australia	1,337	1,336		
Brazil	11,582	11,582		
Thailand	2,332	2,330		
China	14,371	15,628		
European Union	17,526	17,526		
India	21,693	25,047		
Japan	2,397	2,518		
Mexico	5,824	5,821		
United States	9,710	9,800		

Production, Consumption, and Trade in Selected Countries under the Base and WTO Scenarios

	Base	WTO-DOHA		
Trade	1,000 mt			
Australia	4,054	4,293		
Brazil	21,458	26,109		
Thailand	5,888	6,163		
China	-3,685	-4,761		
European Union	1,293	-2,444		
India	-684	-3,939		
Japan	-1,503	-1,721		
Mexico	405	460		
United States	-1,515	-1,926		

Consumer and Producer Surpluses under the Base and Alternative Scenarios (\$1,000)

	Base	EU	DOHA
Total Value			
Consumer surplus	1,181,453	1,185,519	1,212,369
Producer surplus	306,677	305,045	294,604
Beet producer	145,140	144,250	138,719
Cane producer	161,536	160,794	155,885
Changes in Total Value			
Consumer surplus	0	4,066	30,916
Producer surplus	0	(1,632)	(12,073)
Beet producer	0	(890)	(6,421)
Cane producer	0	(742)	(5,651)

Summary and Conclusions

- DOHA negotiations may affect several players in the world sugar industry
 - Increase in Caribbean price of sugar from 8.4 cents/lb to 12.1 cents/lb
 - Brazil may substantially increase production and exports
 - Australia, Central America, and Thailand increase their exports of sugar moderately
 - EU and India increases in imports
 - China and Japan substantial increase in imports

- EU reform on sugar policy will increase Caribbean sugar price, but not affect the U.S. sugar industry
 - Increase in the Caribbean price of sugar from 8.4 cents/lb to 9.96 cents/lb
 - Reduction in EU sugar production and exports
- Under the current DOHA proposal, U.S. imports of sugar would be 1.9 million tons and wholesale price would decrease from 24.89 cents to 23.79 cents
- Brazil may benefit the most under the DOHA scenario

Thank you!