

# Sugar Milling

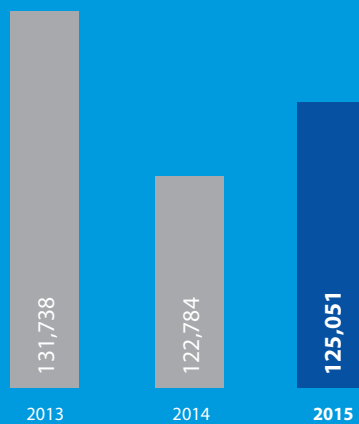


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Chief Operations Officer

## 1.40 M tonnes

Cane crushed



Omnicanne Milling  
Total sugar produced  
(@98.5 Pol) as miller (tonnes)



# SUGAR MILLING



Using energy-saving diffuser technology for juice extraction, Omnicane's sugar factory at La Baraque processes about 1.4 million tonnes of sugarcane yearly with a daily milling capacity of 8,500 tonnes of sugarcane.

In 2015, Omnicane's sugar factory crushed a total of 1,399,547 tonnes of sugarcane to produce 125,051 tonnes of raw sugar. Similar to the cane-growing segment, these figures include those of the mini-crop of January 2015.

During the 2015 normal crop (June–December 2015), which had an operating period of 165 days; the sugar factory crushed 1,280,360 tonnes of canes (2014: 1,327,784 tonnes) to produce 117,081 tonnes of plantation white sugar. The lower crushing rate is due to the lower supply of canes from both the small planters and estate growers. To compensate for this reduction, the sugar factory received 74,064 tonnes of sugarcane from Alteo and Medine. The latter had some technical problems with its factory at the start of the 2015 crop and had to divert part of its canes to Omnicane.

The total sugar accrued to Omnicane Milling Operations Limited amounted to 27,550 tonnes in 2015.

### Factory Performance

During the 2015 crop, the sugar factory's performance was lower than 2014 owing to poor quality of cane received. This is illustrated by the lower richness of 10.65 in 2015 compared to 11.41 in 2014. As a result, the milling extraction was reduced to 97.44 compared to 97.52 in 2014.

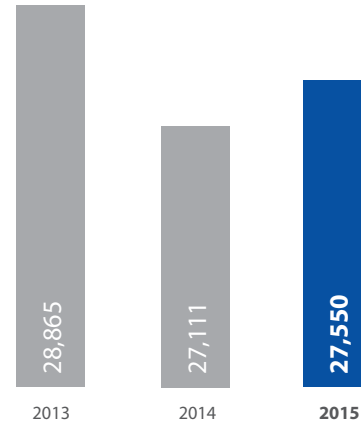
This poorer cane quality increased the molasses volume at a rate of 3.64% (2014: 3.61%), resulting in lower boiling house recovery performance and more total losses at 1.64% in 2015 (2014: 1.59%). However, the overall mill efficiency remained at 85.7% as that of the island average in 2015.

### Planters' Advisory Department

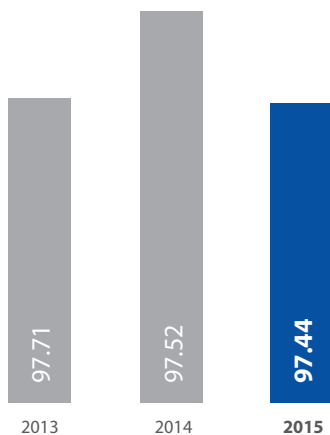
Since June 2015, the Planters' Advisory Department improved its cane management service for the small planters by taking full responsibility for the husbandry of their fields, from cultural practices to harvest operations. This will result in better cane quality and higher yields per hectare. The department has now received a proposal to offer its services for the complete management of 70 hectares of land under sugarcane cultivation. In addition, under the Sugar Planters Regrouping project (previously FORIP), Omnicane's sugar factory has obtained contracts for the cultivation of 20.9 hectares of land at Deux Bras.



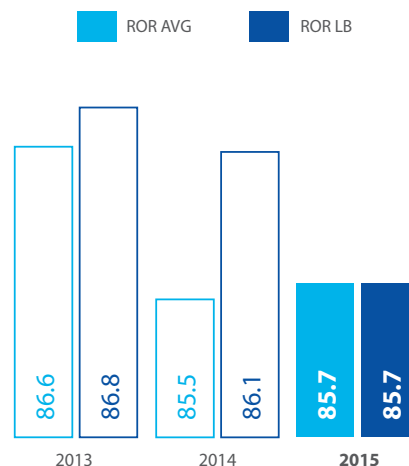
Omicane Milling  
Total sugar produced  
(@98.5 Pol) as miller (tonnes)



Omicane Milling  
sugar accrued (@98.5 Pol) as  
miller (tonnes)



Final reduced mill extraction (%)  
(excluding mini crop)



Omicane Milling  
ROR La Baraque v/s island average (%)  
(excluding mini crop)