



Make the Sugar Program Work for America

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U.S. Sugar Program: A Bad Deal for America

The U.S. sugar program is a bad deal for American manufacturers, workers and hardworking families. That's because, to provide subsidies to a few extremely wealthy sugar processors, the federal government imposes extraordinary costs on everyone else in America.

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High Sugar Prices = A Bad Deal for Hardworking Families

The sugar program costs consumers \$3 billion per year in the form of government-induced higher prices for sugar by restricting supplies and artificially pushing up U.S. sugar prices.

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Plant Closures & Lost Jobs = A Bad Deal for Manufacturers & Workers

Higher U.S. sugar prices as a result of the program put undue pressure on U.S. jobs in the sugar-using sector, contributing to the loss of 123,000 American manufacturing jobs over the last 18 years.

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Government Intrusion & Burdensome Regulations = A Bad Deal for Taxpayers

The sugar program creates a situation where the sugar industry reaps record profits when domestic sugar supplies are tight because of government restrictions, and yet taxpayers must guarantee processors' income when market-control plans fail. Between 2013 and 2014, the sugar program cost taxpayers more than \$250 million.

U.S. sugar policy should work for America, not against it. The sugar program should balance the interests of sugar producers with the needs of U.S. manufacturers, workers and consumers.

Congress, Make the Sugar Program Work for America.

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The Coalition for Sugar Reform is an alliance of consumers, food and beverage manufacturers, trade advocates, environmental groups, taxpayer watchdog organizations, responsible government advocates, think tanks and other interests. Our objective is to reform the federal government's intrusive, inefficient, restrictive and outdated sugar program - a decades-old subsidy that has repeatedly failed to provide adequate supplies of sugar to the U.S. market.