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Various sugar related articles

The Executive Director would like to draw your attention to the articles below all of which are relevant to the sugar sector.

Sugar Online - Ebriefing 12-07-2018

SOUTH AFRICA: FairPlay calls for public enquiry into zero tariff sugar import policy

The FairPlay movement has called for a public inquiry into the fiasco that saw a zero tariff for sugar being set and gazetted in South Africa last year, which allowed importers to bring in and stockpile sugar duty free, and which plunged the South African industry into a crisis, reports Sugaronline. "This is more than an administrative error. It was a brief period, but together with months when tariffs were wrongly kept low, it assisted a huge surge in sugar imports in 2017," said Fran...[**Read more...**](#)

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Coca Cola CEO says sugar taxes won't reduce obesity

Despite the diabetes and obesity problem in Singapore, the United States and other parts of the world, The Coca-Cola Company will always make available its classic Coke in its original formula – with the full amount of sugar, according to Singapore's Channel News Asia. That is nine teaspoons of sugar in a 330-millilitre can, and Coca-Cola president and chief executive officer James Quincey told Channel NewsAsia's Conversation With that "there's nothing wrong with it if i..[**Read more...**](#)

ECRUU Sugar News Monitor - 13 July 2018

SOUTH AFRICA - Sugar industry struggling with sugar tax, imports

Sugar sales have fallen by 27% due to the sugar tax imposition and the import of cheap sugar, according to Illovo South Africa. The decline is due to beverage companies reformulating their products to cut sugar content and reducing portion sizes. In addition, the local industry will be hit if the government does not hike tariffs to curb imports, SA Cane Growers Association's vice-chairperson said in an opinion piece. The absence of a dollar-based reference price is another problem, he pointed out, as cane producers are paid less than the production cost. (includes content from The Star Late Edition) ([IOL](#) & [IOL](#))