

## Pesticide Residues in Sugar

Herbicides and pesticides applied on growing sugar beet crops are monitored by the USDA and agronomists of Amalgamated Sugar and Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative. The application rates and usage are recorded and comply with all applicable label requirements.

Cane sugar marketed by National Sugar Marketing is grown in areas which are not regulated by the USDA. However, the supplying facilities are regulated by their respective governmental agencies.

There are no detectable pesticide residues in granulated sugar marketed by National Sugar Marketing. Samples of production sugar are annually sent to independent, third-party laboratories for testing. The samples are subjected to a pesticide screen that includes Organo Halogens, Organo Nitrogen, Organo Phosphates, and N-Methyl Carbamates. Results indicate that these classes of pesticides are not detectable to the 0.1 ppm level. Analysis of specific samples may be provided upon request.

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