



# SA Canegrowers

## CANE PLANTING COSTS - MINIMUM TILLAGE

### 2024/2025 SEASON

(These are general methods and rates only. Please adjust for individual circumstances.)

				<b>COST/HA RANDS</b>
<b>Seedbed Preparation</b>				
1 Full cover spray with Glyphosate 2 Minimum tillage with disc ridger in interrow.				
	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>COST/HR</u>	<u>COST/HA</u>	
Glyphosate				
8 Litres per Ha @	R100.17	per litre	R801.36	
Velocity dry				
1.5 kg per Ha@	R22.95	per kg	R34.42	
Spraying - one man-day			R248.22	
Min-tiller: rotary and ridge	2.0	R825.60	R1 651.20	
Contour Structures	2.0	R489.11	R978.22	
				<b>3 713</b>
<b>Hand Planting</b>				
25 Labour days per Ha (Plant and Cover)				
Cost of Labour		R248.22	per day	<b>6 206</b>
<b>Fertiliser</b>				
1 Soil Sample test (SASRI)	R275.53	/sample =	R275.53	
200 kg DAP (38) + 0.5% Zn	R13 795.90	per ton =	R2 759.18	
400 kg Mixture 1.0.1.(48) @	R9 777.97	per ton =	R3 911.19	
Labour: Split in furrow and top dress	2 man-days @	R248.22	per day = R 496.44	<b>7 442</b>
<b>Seed Cane</b>				
10 tons per Ha @	R1 269.96	/ton		<b>12 700</b>
<b>Weed control</b>				
Materials :				
Pre-emergent :			R713.06	
Post-emergent :			R660.65	
Spot spray:			R716.77	
			R2 090.48	
Labour: pre-, post-emerg. & spot applic.	3 man-days/ha	@ R248.22	R744.66	
Hand-hoeing with:	9 Labour Units	@ R248.22	R2 233.98	
			R5 069.12	<b>5 069</b>
<b>Sundries &amp; Contingencies</b>				<b>5 270</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>R40 400</b>
<b>NB:</b>				
- These figures do <u>not</u> include VAT, a registered vendor should add VAT to these figures				
- Labour rates may appear high, but the rate used is a weighted average across other categories of labour to include the cost of support staff such as drivers and Indunas				
- Labour rates do <u>not</u> include rations and other labour costs (protective clothing etc)				
- Chemicals are applied manually as opposed to mechanically under minimum till scenario				



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## CANE PLANTING COSTS - MECHANICAL LAND PREP

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				<b>COST/HA RANDS</b>
<b>Land Preparation: (Conventional Method) consisting of the following</b>				
	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>COST/HR</u>	<u>COST/HA</u>	
Ploughing	3.5	R489.11	R1 711.89	
Harrowing (twice)	2.6	R500.78	R1 302.03	
Ridging	2.0	R439.91	R879.82	
Contour Structures	2.0	R489.11	R978.22	
				<b>4 872</b>
<b>Hand &amp; Mechanical planting</b>				
25 Labour days per Ha (Plant and Cover)				
Cost of Labour		R248.22 per day		
				<b>6 206</b>
<b>Fertiliser</b>				
1 Soil Sample test (SASRI)	R275.53	/sample =	R275.53	
200 kg DAP (38) + 0.5% Zn	R13 795.90	per ton =	R2 759.18	
400 kg Mixture 1.0.1.(48) @	R9 777.97	per ton =	R3 911.19	
Labour: Split in furrow and top dress	2 man-days @	R248.22	per day = R 496.44	
				<b>7 442</b>
<b>Seed Cane</b>				
10 tons per Ha @		R1 269.96 /ton		
				<b>12 700</b>
<b>Weed control</b>				
Materials :				
Pre-emergent :			R713.06	
Post-emergent :			R660.65	
Spot spray mix:			R716.77	
				<b>R2 090.48</b>
Tractor & boom spray - pre & post	1 Hours	@	R292.50	R292.50
Hand-hoeing with	9 Labour Units	@	R248.22	R2 233.98
Spot sprayer - Labour	1 Labour Unit	@	R248.22	R248.22
				<b>R4 865.18</b>
<b>Sundries &amp; Contingencies</b>				<b>5 413</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>R41 497</b>
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- Pre- and post-emergent herbicides are applied mechanically under this scenario				



## SCHEDULE OF AVERAGE COMPENSATION FOR EXPROPRIATED CANE CROPS

### 2024/2025 SEASON

#### [1] MATURE CANE :

#### PER HECTARE

Average Quality Cane @ 90tc/ha  
Average Quality cane @ 120tc/ha

R81 641  
R108 854

**Note: Mature cane calculations should be done for individual farms. Use the following formula for a specific farm:**  
**Mature Cane=Avg tons cane/ha x RV Price x RV% cane**

#### [2] IMMATURE CANE :

Compensation for immature cane should be related to the age at the time of its expropriation. Such compensation should be at the same proportion as the age of the expropriated cane to the age at which cane is usually adjudged to be mature on the particular farm or in the area. This factor is then applied to the value of mature cane within the range outlined in (1) above

In other words, if on a particular farm cane normally reaches maturity at sixteen months, and the age of the cane to be expropriated is say six months, then compensation should be paid on the basis of six sixteenths of the value of mature cane, of either of the values outlined in

#### [3] CANE ROOTS :

#### PER HECTARE

Plant cane	R41 497
First Ratoon	R33 198
Second Ratoon	R26 558
Third Ratoon	R21 247
Fourth Ratoon	R16 997
Fifth Ratoon	R13 598

These recommendations are based on average life expectancies for cane roots and may be subject to variation under individual circumstances.

#### NOTE :

- 1 Compensation for land is additional to the above values.
- 2 In cases where expropriation action prevents a farmer from replanting an area of cane land within the normal fallow period, a claim for the loss of cane growth should be made as in "2" above, for the period of the extended fallow as a percentage of the normal mature crop.
- 3 Compensation values of cane are based on a three year price trend.

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## FIRE CANE SALVAGE RATES

### 2024/2025 SEASON

**Suggested rates where own workers and equipment used.**

**(Please note that salvage fire cane yields are lower than normal. These rates are therefore not valid for normal operations.)**

*Fill in only those items which are applicable*

Name and address of person to whom assistance was rendered \_\_\_\_\_

			Rands
<b>A. Transporting of labour &amp; equipment to and from the scene of the fire.</b>			
..... kilometres in van or car	@	R5.40 per km	
..... kilometres by tractor/trailer	@	R21.81 per km	
..... kilometres by lorry, 8 Ton	@	R13.07 per km	
..... kilometres by lorry, 14 Ton	@	R18.93 per km	
<b>B. Cutting of burnt cane inclusive of supervisory and support staff.</b>			
..... tons cut and stacked on the ground	@	R105.53 per ton	
..... tons cut and loaded onto a vehicle	@	R105.53 per ton	
..... tons cut only	@	R75.38 per ton	
..... tons of cut cane stacked on ground	@	R52.81 per ton	
..... tons of cut cane loaded onto a vehicle	@	R30.15 per ton	
<b>C. Infield cane haulage by tractor and trailer inclusive of drivers and assistants.</b>			
..... tons up to 1km (0.5km average lead distance)	@	R23.91 per ton hauled	
..... tons up to 2km (1km average lead distance)	@	R30.74 per ton hauled	
..... tons up to 3km (1.5km average lead distance)	@	R37.58 per ton hauled	
..... tons up to 4km (2km average lead distance)	@	R44.41 per ton hauled	
..... tons up to 5km (2.5km average lead distance)	@	R51.24 per ton hauled	
For each additional km (0.5km average lead distance) a charge of	R6.83	per ton is suggested	
..... tons hauled.....		km @ R per ton hauled	
<b>D. Loading and transhipment of burnt cane, inclusive of operators.</b>			
..... tons loaded by infield grab (bell loader)	@	R21.52 per ton	
..... tons transhipped by crane	@	R20.31 per ton	
..... stockpile and load	@	R28.43 per ton	
..... tons transhipped by hand	@	R59.10 per ton	
<b>E. Other labour used for such activities as filling drains, point duty, etc.</b>			
..... labourers	@	R248.22 per day	
<b>F. Other charges helpers wish to make</b>			
SIGNATURE : _____			DATE : _____
			<b>TOTAL</b>

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 Due to low yields, cutter productivity is assumed to be low at 2.5 tons/day (cut and stack)  
 and cut only at 3.5 tons/day - this raises the cost per ton substantially  
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#### B. Labour used on cutting and stacking operation

..... cutter-stackers	@	R248.22 per day for	_____ days
..... cutters	@	R248.22 per day for	_____ days
..... stackers	@	R248.22 per day for	_____ days
..... loaders	@	R248.22 per day for	_____ days
..... Indunas	@	R312.27 per day for	_____ days

#### C. Cane haulage equipment used as a result of fire.

N.B. These tractor rates include the costs of the operator and assistants.

Rates are based on 1 000hrs operating time per year

..... operating hours tractor/trailer up to 6 ton	@	R449.54 per hour
..... operation hours 2 w.d tractor (75Kw)	@	R448.46 per hour
..... operation hours 2 w.d tractor (60Kw)	@	R376.47 per hour
..... operation hours 2 w.d tractor (55Kw)	@	R323.67 per hour

#### Agricultural tractors:

..... operating hours, front wheel assisted, 75 kW	@	R425.78 per hour
..... operating hours, front wheel assisted, 60 kW	@	R364.82 per hour
..... operating hours, front wheel assisted, 55 kW	@	R305.12 per hour
..... operating hours, trailer only of up to 5 tons	@	R125.87 per hour
..... operating hours, bell loader 125 (4)	@	R430.42 per hour
..... kilometres by lorry - 8 ton	@	R3.27 per ton km.
..... kilometres by lorry -14 ton	@	R2.70 per ton km.

#### D. Loading and transhipment of burnt cane, inclusive of operators.

..... tons loaded by infield grab (bell loader)	@	R21.52 per ton
..... tons transhipped by crane	@	R20.31 per ton
..... stockpile and load	@	R28.43 per ton
..... tons transhipped by hand	@	R59.10 per ton

#### E. Other labour used for such activities as filling drains, point duty, etc.

..... labourers	@	R248.22 per day
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#### F. Other charges helpers wish to make

SIGNATURE : \_\_\_\_\_

DATE : \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL



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