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Südzucker with significant earnings increase in the second quarter of 2026/27

Südzucker AG recorded a significant increase in operating Group EBITDA to EUR 168 million in the second quarter of the financial year 2026/27 (1 June to 31 August 2026), compared with the prior-year period (Q2 2025/26: EUR 93 million).

This improvement was driven mainly by the CropEnergies and special products segments. In the CropEnergies segment, earnings particularly benefited from higher ethanol prices. In the special products segment, the increase in earnings was primarily attributable to higher sales volumes.

Based on the business performance in the second quarter, Südzucker AG specifies its guidance for the financial year 2026/27 (1 March 2026 to 28 February 2027). The group revenues are expected to range between EUR 8.3 billion and EUR 8.7 billion (previously between EUR 8.1 billion and EUR 8.5 billion), while the forecast range for operating Group EBITDA has been narrowed to between EUR 540 million and EUR 680 million (previously between EUR 480 million and EUR 680 million).

With respect to the forecast for the financial year 2026/27, it is important to note that the future business performance of the Südzucker Group continues to be subject to significant uncertainties due to ongoing geopolitical and global economic developments.

The report for the first half of fiscal 2026/27 will be published as scheduled on 8 October 2026 on our website at www.suedzuckergroup.com.

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About the Südzucker Group

Südzucker is a major player in the food industry with its sugar, special products, starch and fruit segments, and Europe's leading ethanol producer with its CropEnergies segment.

In the traditional sugar business, the group is Europe's number one supplier of sugar products, with 21 sugar factories and two refineries, extending from France in the west via Belgium, Germany and Austria, through to Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania, Hungary, Bosnia, and Moldova in the east. The special products segment, with its consumer-oriented functional ingredients for food and animal feed (BENEÓ), chilled/frozen products (Freiberger) and portion packs (PortionPack Group), operates in dynamic growth markets. Südzucker's CropEnergies segment is Europe's leading producer of renewable ethanol, with production sites in Germany, Belgium, France and Great Britain. Other products in this segment are protein food and animal feed products as well as biogenic carbon dioxide. The starch segment comprises AGRANA's starch and ethanol operations. Through its fruit segment, the group is the global market leader in fruit preparations for the dairy industry and the world's leading manufacturer (and supplier) of apple and berry juice concentrates.

In 2025/26, the group employed about 18,200 persons and generated revenues of about EUR 8.4 billion.