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Dockworkers Locked Out for Two Years at Port of Quebec

September 15 marked the second anniversary of the lockout of dockworkers at the Port of Quebec.

A large mobilization of dockers and their allies is planned for September 25 in Quebec to mark two years of the conflict.

Read more in a [press release from the Syndicat des débardeurs du port de Québec](#) (translated from French).

International Business/Government

Fires in Brazil Threaten Global Sugar Supply

Brazil, the world's leading sugar exporter, is facing an unprecedented outbreak of fires in its sugarcane fields. And as a result, consumers are facing a not-so-sweet price hike.

The ingredient's prices have surged by 4.2% and the fires have disrupted the entire supply chain. Brazil's largest sugar group, Raizen SA, estimated that about 1.8 million tons of its sugarcane, including what it sources from suppliers, had been affected by the fires, amounting to about 2% of the total expected yield for 2024-2025, according to Reuters.

Read more in an [article from Supply Chain Dive](#).

Severe Floods Cause Delay and Disruption Across Central and Eastern Europe

Severe flooding across central and eastern Europe is leading to transport delays, forwarders have warned.

The border between the Czech Republic and Poland was hit by heavy rain on the weekend, forcing some residents to evacuate and bridges to collapse.

On September 16, Hungarian authorities closed the border bridge on Main Road 14, disrupting road traffic to Slovakia. There are also road closures in Poland, Romania, Czech Republic and Austria, as well as secondary road closures in the southern German states of Bavaria and Saxony.

Read more in an [article from The Loadstar](#).