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Poultry

USDA young chicken harvest was 130.8 million head, which was lower by 2.8% compared to the holiday-shortened harvest week last year. Breaking out the segment, the National Composite whole birds and WOGs were up \$0.03 w/w to \$1.35/lb. Looking at the parts, in the white meat segment, boneless/skinless breasts were \$0.02 w/w to \$1.45/lb, and tenderloins were up \$0.04 w/w to \$1.70/lb. Chicken wings were flat w/w at \$1.90/lb, but drumsticks were higher by 10% to \$0.52/lb. Boneless/skinless thigh meat was down \$0.05 to \$1.44/lb, while the B/I thighs were flat at \$0.94/lb. The USDA's large eggshell index was up 5% w/w and almost 48% in the past month. The cost of eggs should continue to climb in the wake of the continuing impact of the spread of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI). Looking ahead, retail chicken features will likely continue to increase as consumers prioritize cost-effective protein options. This trend is expected to drive an overall market increase, mirroring the recent upward movement observed in tenderloin and whole chicken prices. FOB per pound except when noted.

Description	Market Trend	Supplies	Price vs. Last Year
Chicken WOG National	Decreasing	Short	Higher
Whole Wings	Increasing	Steady	Higher
Drumsticks	Decreasing	Steady	Higher
Breasts Boneless/Skinless	Increasing	Steady-Available	Higher
Breasts Line Run	Increasing	Steady-Short	Higher
Stripped Backs and Necks	Decreasing	Available	Higher
Tenderloins	Increasing	Steady-Available	Higher
Legs - Bone-in	Decreasing	Available	Higher
Bulk Leg Quarters	Decreasing	Steady	Higher
Thighs Bone-In	Decreasing	Available	Higher
Thighs Boneless/Skinless	Decreasing	Available	Higher

Description	Market Trend	Supplies	Price vs. Last Year
Whole Turkey (8-16 lb)	Steady	Short	Lower
Turkey Breast, Bnls/Sknls	Increasing	Short	Lower

Eggs

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Large Eggs (dozen)	Increasing	Short	Higher
Medium Eggs (dozen)	Steady	Short	Higher
Liquid Whole Eggs	Steady	Steady-Short	Higher
Liquid Egg Whites	Steady	Short	Higher
Liquid Egg Yolks	Steady	Steady	Higher
Egg Breaker Stock Central	Steady	Short	Higher

