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HPAI IMPACTS POULTRY MARKET IN **SOUTH AFRICA**

For South Africans, egg shortages are already a reality. In the past week, several retailers have posted signs in their stores, apologizing for egg shortages. Blamed for the limited volumes and restricted ranges are the ongoing avian flu outbreaks, reported Daily Maverick. Already, the shortages appear to becoming acute in the province of Gauteng.

In Cape Town and Johannesburg, free-range eggs are no longer available. This is attributed to the confinement of hens in poultry houses in order to reduce the risk of infection from the HPAI viruses. In a subsequent report from the same source, the South African Poultry Association (SAPA) said that 15% of production — more than four million chickens - had already been lost to HPAI.

Since April, the nation's birds have been affected by the H5N1 strain widely circulating across the globe. And in June of this year, a new strain an H7N6 serotype — was first detected in South Africa. According to SAPA's CEO Dr. Abongile Balarane, the egg supply situation will start to ease in October.

Concerns are being expressed that chicken meat supplies may in future be impacted by similar shortages if HPAI cannot be brought under control. According to a recent assessment of the African poultry sector USDA Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), the egg sector has been most affected by the current HPAI outbreaks. With around two million birds culled so far, losses to the sector are estimated at 34 million rand (ZAR; US\$1.79 million). With biosecurity measures raised following a series of HPAI outbreaks in 2017 that affected 5.4 million birds and cost ZAR1.87 billion, FAS does not expect South Africa's poultry producers to scale back production. Source: South Africa's egg shortage blamed on avian flu outbreaks | WATTPoultry.com (wattagnet.com)



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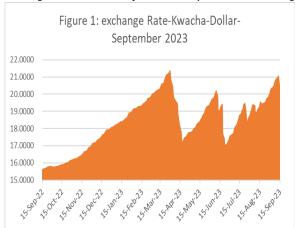
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KWACHA CONTINUES TO STRUGLES AS ZAMBIA AND CHINA AGREES ON TRADE TERMS

Zambia and China agreed to encourage greater use of their own currencies in trade and investment, after a meeting in Beijing between Presidents Xi Jinping and Hakainde Hichilema. The measure will reduce currency exchange costs and exchange rate risks, the two leaders said in a joint statement on Friday. It may also curb reliance on the US dollar, in which copper is priced. The metal accounts for about 70% of Zambia's export earnings and China accounts for about half of global demand. "The two sides will also create a favorable policy environment for promoting settlements in local currencies and support a greater role of the Chinese renminbi settlement bank in Zambia," they said. Hichilema this week made his first state visit to China since winning power in 2021. He's faced local criticism for frequent visits to Western nations, at the cost of weaker ties with China, which is by far Zambia's biggest bilateral creditor and has an out-sized role in a debt-restructuring process under way since 2020.

Since Zambia in June announced an agreement in principle with its official creditors committee that China and France cochair, it's yet to sign a memorandum of understanding on the \$6.3 billion in debt at stake. There were hopes that Hichilema's visit could help unlock a deal. Source: Zambia, China Agree to Increase Use of Local Currency in Trade - Bloomberg









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DOC BROILER PRICE POST SOME MOVEMENTS

The prices of broiler day-old chicks posted some upward movements. The DoC broiler prices are trading at an average price of ZMK 14.62 per day old chick up by ZMK0.45 per chick compared with the prices posted week. The lowest chick on the market is trading at ZMK14 and the highest is still ZMK15 per day old chicks, depending on location and supplier. There were some movements on the prices of pullets on the market which are averaging ZMK17,5 per day old pullet. The price for DoC SASSOL and Kuroilers is trading at ZMK 13 per DOC. The price for the improved free-range such as Black Austropop's, Bushvelds, Kuroilers are selling between ZMK 15 to ZMK25 depending on the age. The graph captures the national average price trend for the day-old broiler chicks. For the pullets, most of the bookings are open for SAPTEMBER and SAPTEMBER 2023 depending on the volumes and source. Check Figure 2 for the price trend, curtesy of PAZ

WHOLE DRESSED CHICKEN PRICES REMAINS STABLE

The prices for the frozen chicken remained stable during the course of the week. The average price for the whole frozen chicken in Lusaka traded at about ZMK 52.21 per kg same price as obtained last week. The lowest price in some chainstores is still trading at ZMK51.99 per kg due to promotions being undertaken while the highest is trading at ZMK58.71 per kg. The chicken sizes are ranging between 1.1kg to 1.8kg in different stores.

Please note that the prices are obtained from Pick n Pay, Shoprite, Zambeef, Melisa Supermarket, Chopies, and Cheers Stores. Different outlets have different pricing models hence the figures displayed is the average price for all the sampled chain stores. It should also be noted that these are Lusaka prices only. For the price trend, **check figure3** courtesy of PAZ

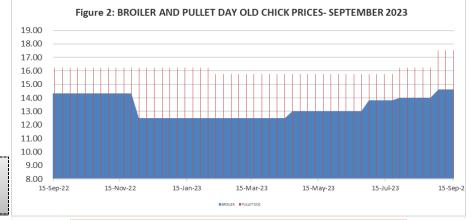
LIVE CHICKEN PRICES ADJUSTS UPWARDS

The national average prices for the live broiler chickens registered some upward movement in the open markets during the course of the week. However, there were no movements on prices for the x-layers as well as the free-range chickens. The national live broiler bird prices averaged ZMK89.18 with the lowest price being Lusaka posting ZMK 78.35 per Live Chicken and the highest being ZMK110. The x-layers have also averaged ZMK 59.37 per bird, while the free-range price is averaging ZMK 130. The demand for broiler chicken is now on a steady increase as the market and consumption is now developing. Check figure 4 on the next page, courtesy of PAZ.

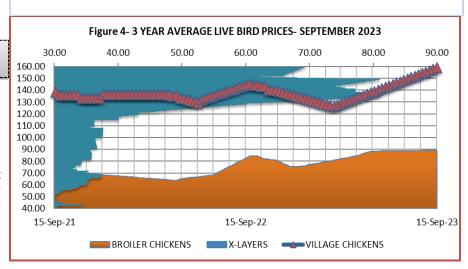
PRICE FOR POINT OF LAY PRICES STABLE

The prices for the Point of Lay remained stable during the course of the week. The average price is still averaging ZMK135, with the lowest being ZMK130 per bird for bulk consignments and the highest being ZMK140 per bird for small volumes depending on the supplier and location. The bookings for September and October are available.

For beginners who are interested in getting battery cages, cage prices range between ZMK6500 to ZMK8,200 depending on the capacity and also the sources of the cages. The second-hand refurbished cage price range between ZMK4800 to ZMK 5,500 depending on the quality, capacity, age and source. Quails' cages, Rabbit Cages as well as first hand layers cages are all available on the market with different prices depending on the source and location.







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NATIONAL EGG PRICE POST SOME MOVEMENTS

The egg prices in the domestic market continued posting some minimal upward movements during the course of the week. The retail prices in open markets are ranging between ZMK55.33 to ZMK60.27. Most farm gate prices average ZMK 48 tray to ZMK 50 per tray. Further, retail prices in some Chain stores did not register any movement with the prices averaged between ZMK60.99 to ZMK75.99 per tray of 30 eggs depending on the supplier, packaging and chain stores. Most of the traders in the open market are now selling an egg between ZMK 1.5 to ZMK 2 in some markets. For the price, trend refer to figure 5, courtesy of PAZ

FEED PRICES STABLE DURING THE WEEK

 ${f T}$ he national average prices for poultry feed posted some upward movements during the course of the week. Broiler starter is still trading at ZMK 537per 50kg bag up compared with the prices obtaining last week. Broiler Grower averages ZMK528 while Broiler Finisher also averages ZMK522per 50kg bag. In the same vain there were some minimal upward price movements registered on the Layer feed. The prices ranges from ZMK528 for pullet starter, ZMk392 for pullet grower, ZMk 365 for pullet developer and ZMK385 for layers mash. For those compunding their ownfeed, ingredients prices have have also been stable during the week as portrayed in the graphs from 6 to 9 below, curtesy of PAZ.



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Figure 5: 3 YEAR AVERAGE ANNUAL EGG PRICES-SEPTEMBER 2023

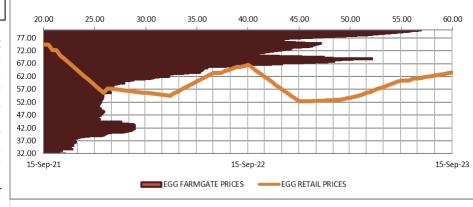
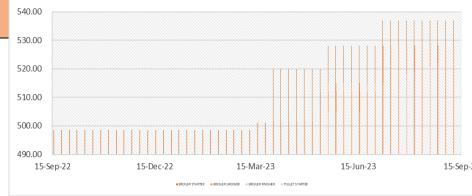
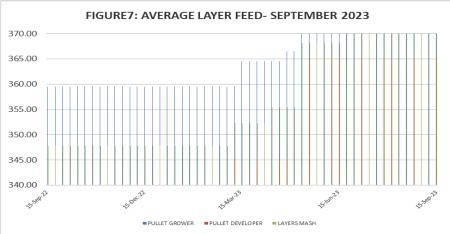
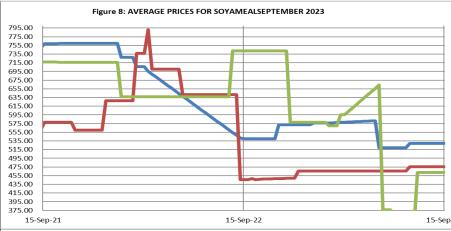


Figure 6: NATIONAL AVERAGE PRICES FOR BROILER FEED- SEPTEMBER







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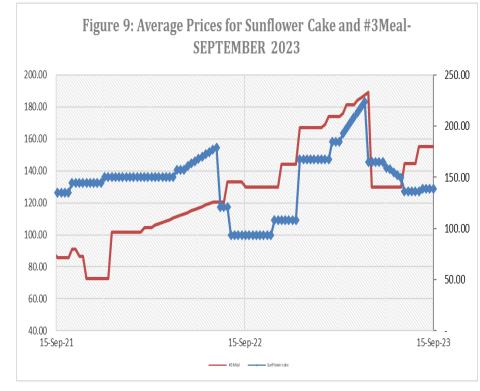
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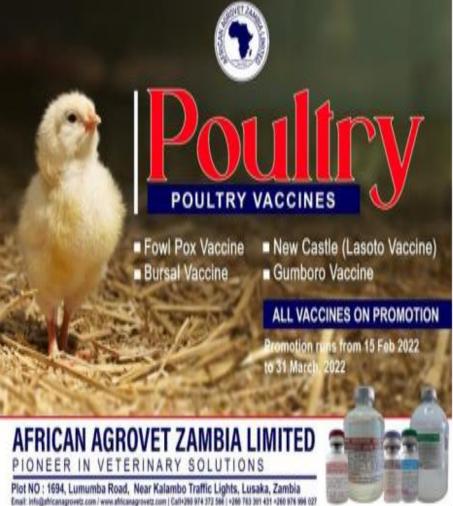
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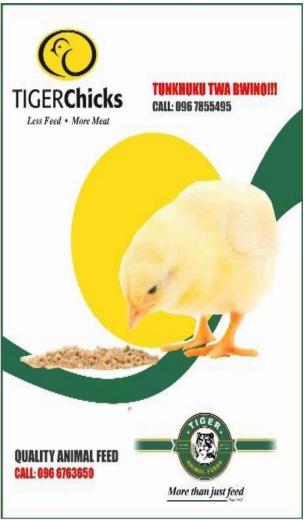
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