



Livestock and Meat Advisory Council

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OVERVIEW

It has been reported that contracted maize amounts to 20,000mt and is available through to June 2021, trading between USD 290 and 295/mt. Zambia, Malawi and South Africa all have surplus maize.

The current soyabean crop is estimated at 71,000mt, an increase from 47,000mt in the same period last year. However, this is still way below the 200,000mt required by the livestock sector. The feed industry has lobbied that imports of bean and meal are not banned so that stakeholders can take advantage of low prices closer to the harvest period.

Molasses is currently in short supply while high protein cotton meal is available.

Zimbabwe Poultry Association

At the Council meeting held this week, it was reported that the market is generally firm and the producer price is ZWL 210/kg.

The table shows average market prices for day-old chicks, live birds and table eggs.

Item	Average Wholesale Price	Average Retail Price
Day-old Chicks	USD 0.88	USD 0.95 – 1.00/chick
Live Birds	USD 1.80 / ZWL 350 – 360 /kg	USD 1.90 – 2.90/kg
Table Eggs	----	USD 4.00/tray

Ongoing work on strategic planning in the five Poultry Business Associations was noted and training in Good Agricultural Practices has also been provided. It is anticipated that the adherence to biosecurity management issues will improve following these trainings. The importance of implementing biosecurity was emphasised, especially considering the threats of Avian Influenza from South Africa and Newcastle disease. Mass vaccination programmes have been disrupted because of lockdown measures.

Livestock Diary: May 2021

- Tuesday 18th General Meeting for members of the Tuli Cattle Society
Annual General Meeting of the Tuli Cattle Society

Enclosures

- Family Farming Knowledge Platform, May 2021 edition
<http://newsletters.fao.org/q/1mUJldXXqR4a6TDwZHwt/vv>

