

## Weekly Poultry Market Report Week of 4.29.24

USDA young chicken harvest was up slightly vs. the prior week at 162.2 million head or 0.9% w/w but was still down 3.2% from the prior year when the harvest was 167.6 million head. The National Composite whole birds and WOGs were steady last week. Looking at the parts, most remained firm with gains noted in the breast and thigh meat segments. Within the white meat segment, B/S breasts were higher by 3% w/w to \$1.74/lb, and chicken tenderloins were flat w/w at \$2.06/lb. Both saw reduced promotions in the retail market. Both wings and drumsticks were flat w/w, but this was the first week in several months that chicken wings did not increase in pricing. As we noted in last week's report, both B/I and boneless thigh meat moved higher on the strength of the end-of-the-month increase in retail promotions. The B/I thighs were higher by 2% to \$0.91/lb, and boneless thigh was up 1.6% to \$1.59/lb last week. The turkey segment was lower last week and whole turkeys were down 10% and turkey breast were lower by almost 6% last week. Looking ahead, chicken will remain a staple in the retail sector as the value-priced leader to keep consumers coming into stores. But beef and pork will also garner more ad space as we head into May. FOB per pound except when noted.

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	<u> Market Trend</u>	<u>Supplies</u>	Price vs. Last Year
Chicken WOG National	Decreasing	Short	Lower
Whole Wings	Decreasing	Steady	Higher
Drumsticks	Decreasing	Available	Lower
Breasts Boneless/Skinless	Increasing	Available	Higher
Breasts Line Run	Increasing	Available	Lower
Stripped Backs and Necks	Decreasing	Short	Higher
Tenderloins	Increasing	Available	Higher
Legs - Bone-in	Decreasing	Available	Higher
Bulk Leg Quarters	Decreasing	Steady	Higher
Thighs Bone-In	Increasing	Steady	Higher
Thighs Boneless/Skinless	Increasing	Available	Higher
Whole Turkey (8-16 lb)	Steady	Steady	Lower
Turkey Breast, Bnls/Sknls	Increasing	Steady	Lower
Large Eggs (dozen)	Steady	Short	Higher
Medium Eggs (dozen)	Steady	Short	Higher
Liquid Whole Eggs	Decreasing	Short	Lower
Liquid Egg Whites	Steady	Steady	Lower
Liquid Egg Yolks	Increasing	Steady	Lower
Egg Breaker Stock Central	Decreasing	Short	Higher



