



Challenges related to underproduction persist, but despite them production increases in 2026 so far are significant. For the first four months, total production is 5.6% above the same time last year, and April 2026 was 7.4% higher than the same month last year. Wholesale prices are strong with the whole bird and leg complexes currently at record highs and the market complex just a little below last year's peak. Breasts and wings are below last year, but still historically strong. TRQ imports - especially CUSMA - are behind last year so far, but are also historically strong. Stocks were drawn down slightly during April, mostly due to declines in breast and wing stocks. The overall picture here is that despite a virtual halt to population growth, demand for chicken in Canada continues to grow.

	Monthly* Production in April (Mkg)				Year-to-date 2026 vs. 2025			
	Apr. '26	Apr. '25	Mkg +/-	%	YTD '26	YTD '25	% yr.	
BC	16.7	15.7	1.0	6.2%	67.3	63.1	6.6%	
AB	12.8	11.0	1.7	15.8%	49.6	45.0	10.3%	
SK	4.1	4.0	0.1	3.0%	16.0	15.3	4.8%	
MB	4.9	4.6	0.3	6.2%	19.1	18.3	4.4%	
ON	43.1	39.8	3.2	8.1%	171.2	162.4	5.4%	
QC	30.5	30.3	0.2	0.8%	125.7	122.1	2.9%	
NB	3.7	2.9	0.8	26.0%	12.8	11.9	8.2%	
NS	4.3	3.3	1.0	29.9%	16.6	14.6	14.0%	
PE	0.5	0.4	0.1	26.1%	1.8	1.7	3.4%	
NL	1.5	1.5	-0.1	-4.8%	6.1	6.1	0.8%	
Canada	122.0	113.6	8.4	7.4%	486.3	460.5	5.6%	

Source: CFC, AAFC *calculated from weekly data

TRQ Imports to May. 16 2026 (Mkg)

	2026	2025	Mkg +/-	% v 25	v pro rata
CUSMA	22.07	26.04	-3.97	-15.3%	0.62
Evis.	0.21	0.21	0.00	0.2%	
Bone-in	14.57	16.40	-1.82	-11.1%	
Boneless	4.33	5.77	-1.44	-25.0%	
Processed	2.95	3.66	-0.71	-19.3%	
WTO	17.41	18.32	-0.91	-5.0%	2.56
Bone-in	5.28	6.92	-1.64	-23.7%	
Boneless	0.90	1.42	-0.52	-36.6%	
Processed	11.23	9.98	1.25	12.5%	
CPTPP	10.65	8.45	2.20	26.1%	1.63
Bone-in	1.33	0.47	0.86	180.9%	
Boneless	9.11	7.56	1.55	20.5%	
Processed	0.21	0.41	-0.20	-49.6%	
Total	50.13	52.80	-2.68	-5.1%	4.81

Source: GAC

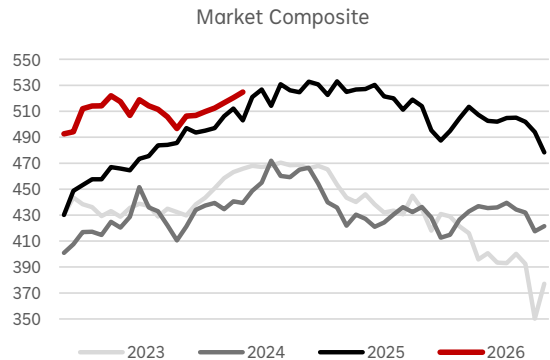
Storage Stocks as of 01 May. 2026 (Mkg)

	May-26	Apr-26	May-25	% mth	% yr
Whole	1.09	1.01	0.70	7.4%	56.1%
Cut-up	22.48	23.71	22.92	-5.2%	-1.9%
Further Proc.	31.68	32.01	31.21	-1.0%	1.5%
Misc.	3.68	3.90	1.62	-5.5%	127.7%
Total	58.93	60.63	56.45	-2.8%	4.4%

Source: AAFC

EMI Wholesale Prices to May. 17 2026

	2026	2025	%
Market Composite	524.78	503.03	4.3%
Whole Bird Complex	566.88	505.50	12.1%
Breast Complex	712.52	763.51	-6.7%
Wing Complex	587.13	625.13	-6.1%
Leg Complex	424.55	402.31	5.5%



Source: EMI