

COMMENTARY ON THE SEPTEMBER 2026 UPDATE OF THE POULTRY VALUATION TABLES FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

Poultry valuation tables are reviewed and updated regularly to ensure that they are appropriate for the sector as a whole and that they reflect current costs for different types of birds and production systems.

New tables are currently issued late in January, March, June, September and November each year. The current valuation tables are based on costs and other information gathered in September 2026.

Numerous sources are used to gather data on current costs. These include published information as well as intelligence provided confidentially by a range of different industry stakeholders. Where possible for each cost item, information is gathered from a range of sources, so that overall sector trends can be established.

Changes have been made in this update to the range of valuation tables prepared. Tables for broilers stocked at 38 and 39kg/m² have been discontinued due to changes in industry practices. New tables have been added for white free range laying hens and for barn and organic egg laying systems (both brown and white birds). Additional tables for slow-growing broiler breeders, turkeys and ducks are currently in preparation.

Since the last update in September, compound feed prices have generally increased. There have also been increases in pullet prices and a small overall reduction in end-of-lay hen prices.

We will continue to monitor input costs and price changes over the coming months. The next update of these tables is scheduled for the end of November 2026.

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