

MONTHLY EGG PRICE REPORT: SEPTEMBER 2017

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Representation:

The statistics are compiled from data provided by egg producers. The information is collected by Kobus Odendaal auditors and handled confidentially; SAPA only receives the aggregated data. This report represents 23.9% of total potential egg production for the month. If you are a producer who reads and uses this report, please send your data to be included. Contact Melissa Dannhauser (meliskruger@gmail.com) at the auditors for the input forms.

All prices exclude VAT.

1. SUMMARY OF KEY INDICATORS

Table 1: Sample sales volumes and values

		Total	Graded	Ungraded
Cages	Dozens	10 807 951	8 001 900	2 806 051
	Rands	R 166 095 739	R 126 174 109	R 39 921 630

Table 2: Average prices

	Total R/doz	Graded R/doz	Ungraded R/doz
Cages	R15.37	R15.77	R14.23
Free Range/Barn	R21.30	R21.30	n/a

2. EGG PRICE ACROSS ALL SIZES

The monthly movement in the average egg price (all sizes, excluding free range/barn) is shown in Graph 1.

The September 2017 price for cage eggs was R15.37 per dozen.

- Compared to August 2017 the egg price increased by 2.8%;
- Compared to September 2016 it increased by 15.13%.

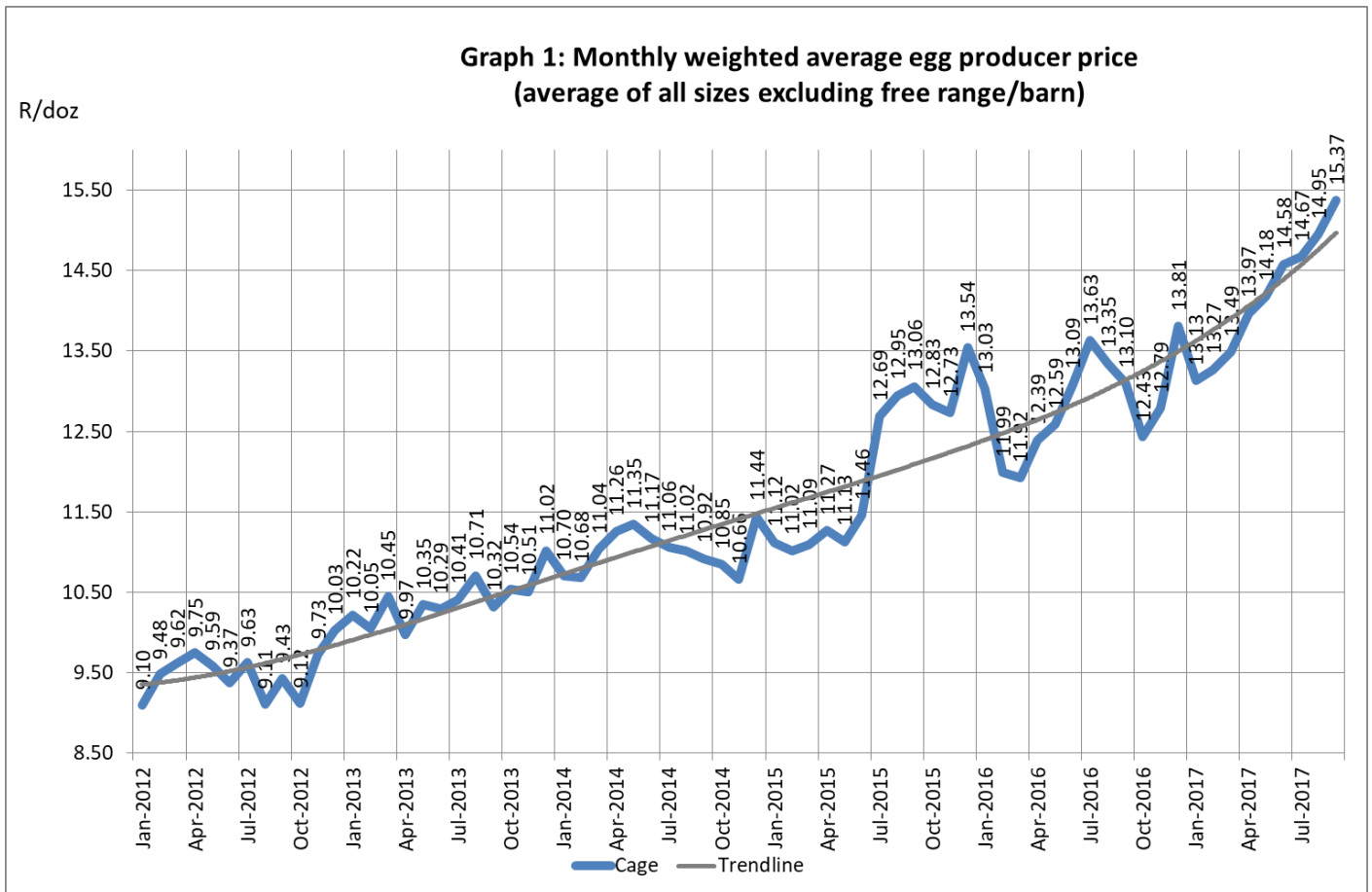


Table 3 shows the average egg prices (excluding free range/barn) since 2012 and the year-on-year percentage change.

Table 3: Egg prices

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017 ytd
R/doz	9.50	10.40	11.01	12.07	12.84	14.20
% change	1.8	9.5	5.9	9.6	6.4	10.4

3. EGG PRICE FOR GRADED AND UNGRADED EGGS

The movement in the producer price since January 2012, for both graded and ungraded eggs (excluding free range/barn eggs), is depicted in Graph 2.

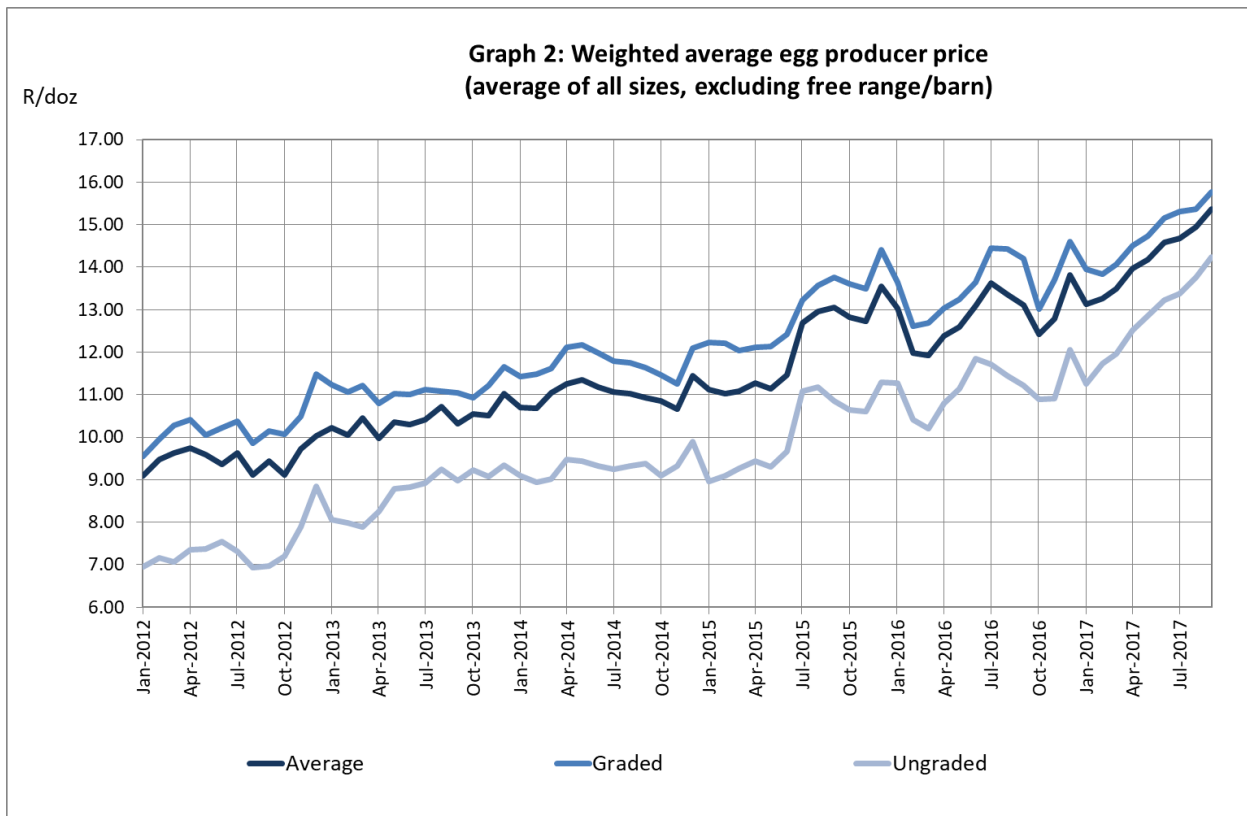
During September 2017, the average egg price for graded eggs was R15.77 per dozen.

- This is an increase of 2.7% in comparison with August 2017;
- This is an increase of 9.4% in comparison with September 2016.

In the same month, the average egg price for ungraded eggs was R14.23 per dozen.

- This is an increase of 3.5% in comparison with August 2017;
- This is an increase of 24.4% in comparison with September 2016.

In the sample surveyed, of the total dozens sold for August 2017, 74% were graded and 26% were ungraded.



4. FEED PRICE

The weighted average feed price includes distribution but excludes medication, additives and VAT. The monthly average feed price for September 2017 was R3162.00/tonne. It decreased by 0.8% on a monthly basis and decreased by 24.4% on a yearly basis (Graph 3).

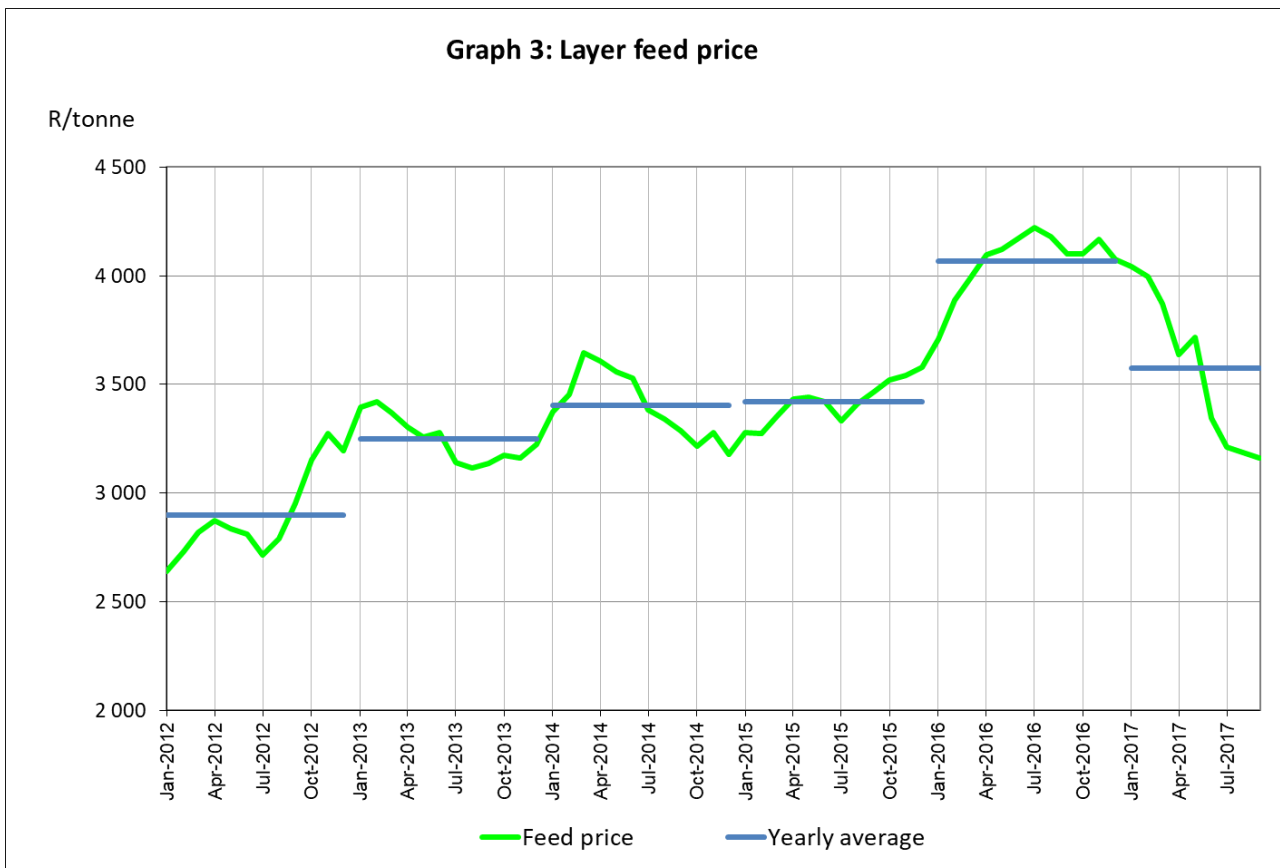


Table 4 shows the average feed prices since 2012 and the year-on-year percentage change.

Table 4: Feed prices

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017 ytd
R/tonne	2 900	3 248	3 405	3 422	4 069	3575
% change	+23.7	+12.0	+4.8	+0.49	+18.9	-12.1

5. CULL PRICE AND AGE

The average price per cull hen for the month of September 2017 was R28.89, an increase of 3.3% on a monthly basis and a decrease of 8.3% on a yearly basis (Graph 4). The average cull age at depletion during August 2017 was 71.0 weeks.

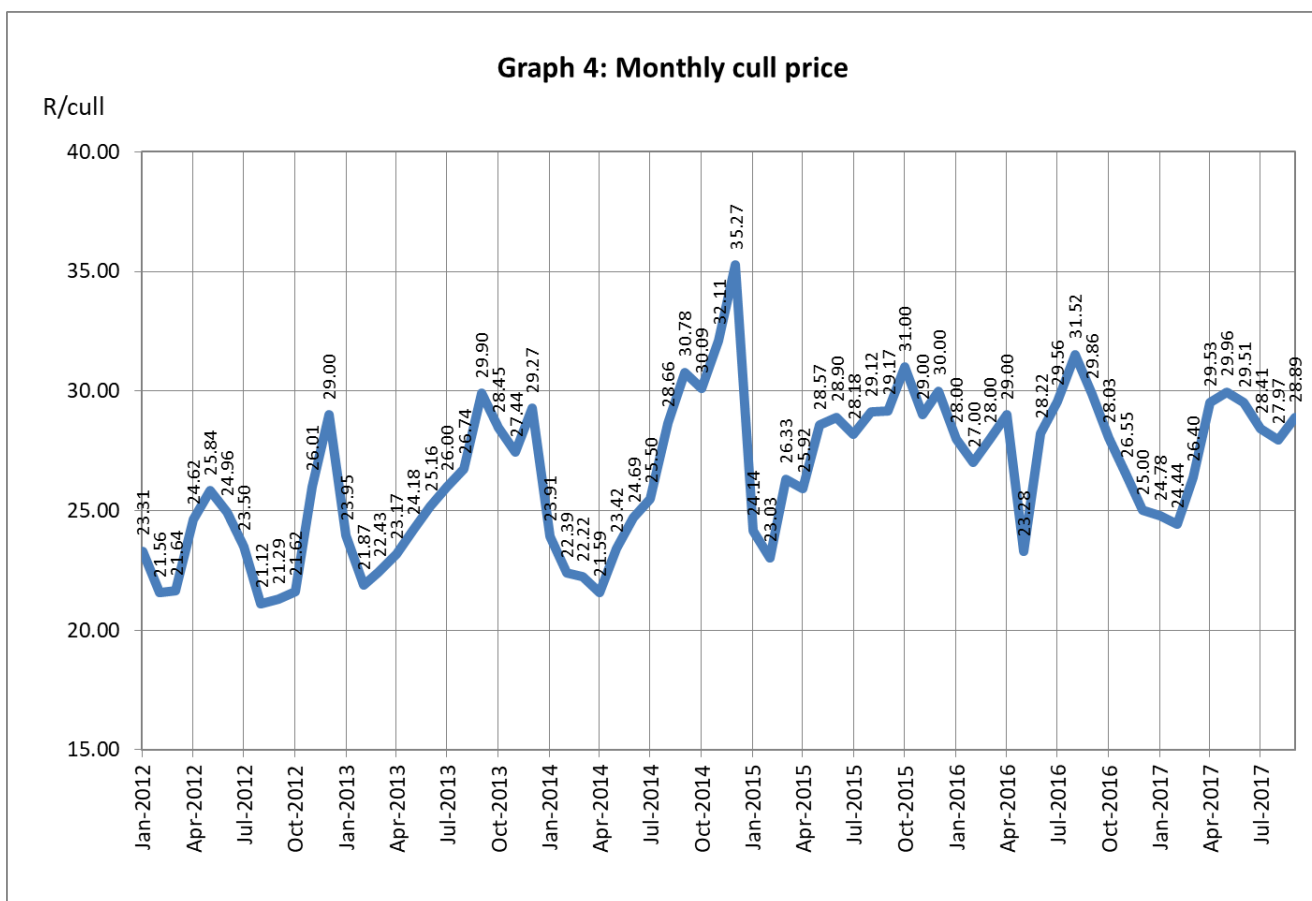


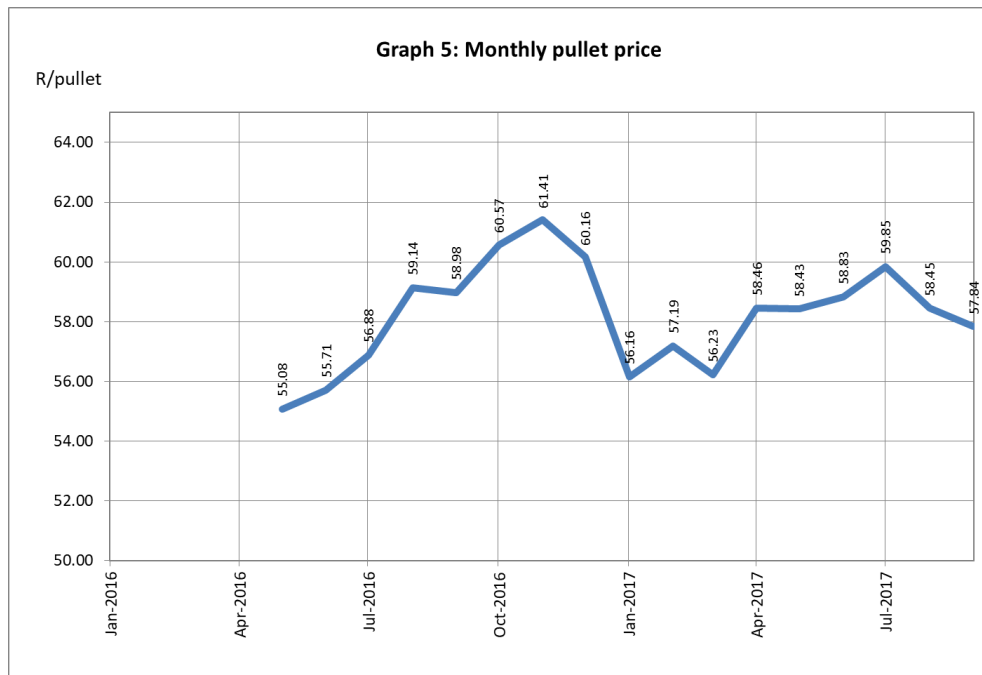
Table 5 shows the average cull prices since 2012 and the year-on-year percentage change, as well as the average cull age.

Table 5: Cull hen prices

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017 ytd
R/hen	23.71	25.71	26.72	27.78	27.84	27.80
% change	+5.8	+8.5	+3.9	+3.97	+0.20	-0.25
Age (weeks)	72.5	73.4	75.2	74.8	71.8	72.6

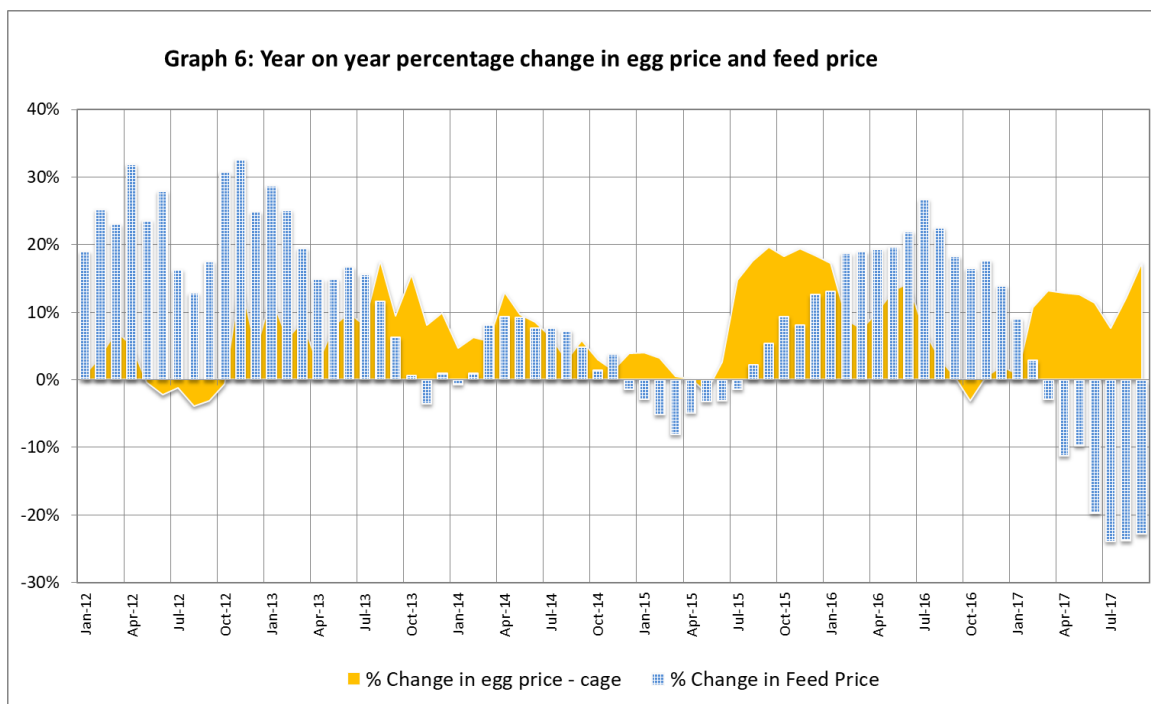
6. POINT-OF-LAY PULLET PRICES

The average price per point-of-lay pullet for the month of September 2017 was R57.84, a decrease of 1.0% on a monthly basis and a decrease of 2.2% on an annual basis.



7. CHANGE IN EGG AND FEED PRICES

Year-on-year % changes in egg price and feed price are shown in Graph 6. The year 2016 was a difficult one for egg producers when feed prices escalated at a higher rate than egg prices, putting margins under severe pressure. The situation looks more positive in 2017.



Definition of egg price:

Egg producer price, excluding rejects and pulp, after rebates, ad spend, “price offs” and settlement discounts; including packaging.

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