

Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago Ministry of Trade and Industry

CONSUMER AFFAIRS DIVISION PUTTING THE POWER ON YOUR SIDE

Y PRICES - JUNE 2024

As part of its mandate to ensure fair pricing in the marketplace, the Consumer Affairs Division has been collecting live poultry prices from a sample of poultry depots throughout Trinidad. The prices listed below reflect prices collected over the period June 21st - 24th, 2024.

It must be noted that the average price per pound (lb) is the 'live weight' price, which is the price before the chicken has been plucked and gutted. An additional fee is charged for plucking and gutting. Some poultry depots do not offer a separate live weight price and pluck and gut fee. Instead, they offer a single'dressed weight' price which is the price per pound after the chicken has been processed.

POULTRY DEPOT/ PLUCK SHOP	OULTRY DEPOT/ PLUCK SHOP LOCATION		PLUCK & GUT FEE (\$)
Shaun's Poultry and Meats	67 Western Main Rd, St James	8.75	15.00
Ali's Meats and Poultry Mart	22 Pasea Main Road, Tunapuna	8.80	20.00
Joycelyn Poultry Depot	893 Eastern Main Road, Sangre Grande	8.80	18.00
Chico's Poultry Depot	Caroni Savannah Rd, Chaguanas	9.50	12.00
Nafees & Family Depot	Southern Main Road, Enterprise, Chaguanas	9.00	10.00
Ramlal's Poultry Depot	27 Southern Main Road, Enterprise	9.00	13.00
V & R Ramparas Poultry Depot LP #117 Main Rd, Balmain Village, Couva		8.60	15.00
Maddy's Poultry Depot	Southern Main Road, California	8.00	15.00
Mohammed's Poultry Depot	St Madeline Junction, Claxton Bay	8.00	15.00
St Charles Poultry	St Charles Village, Princes Town	8.00	15.00
Mohammed's Poultry	57 Manahambre Road, Princes Town	9.00	20.00
Ravi's Poultry Depot	Baron Street, La Romain	8.30	15.00
Nell's Poultry Depot	Duncan Village, San Fernando	8.70	15.00
R & N Poultry & Meat Supplies			20.00
Indar's Meat & Poultry Depot	t & Poultry S.S. Erin Road, Penal		14.00
Avocat Poultry Depot	#186 Avocat Junction, Fyzabad	8.30	12.00
Low Price Depot	Guapo Road, Fyzabad	8.50	14.00
Devika's Poultry	ltry St Mary's Village, Moruga		12.00
Ramphally's Poultry Depot	High Street, Rio Claro (next to Unipet)	9.50	15.00
Ari's Poultry Depot	Depot Naparima Mayaro Road, Rio Claro		15.00
AVERAGE PRICE		8.49	15.00
MODAL PRICE		8.00 / 9.00	15.00

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	Highest Live Weight Price per lb
\blacksquare	Lowest Live Weight Price per Ib

▲ Highest Pluck and Gut Fee ▼ Lowest Pluck and Gut Fee

A	Highest Dressed Weight Price	
V	Lowest Dressed Weight Price	

POULTRY DEPOT/PLUCK SHOP	LOCATION	DRESSED WEIGHT\$/LB
Phoenix Meat Importers	George Street, Port of Spain	16.00
Reeyad's Poultry Depot	vad's Poultry Depot Aranguez Main Road, Aranguez	
Market Poultry Depot	#21 Second Street, San Juan	18.00
Ram's Poultry & Mini Mart	Bamboo #3, Valsayn	16.00
St. Augustine Poultry Depot	Eastern Main Road, St. Augustine	18.00
Ran's Poultry	Golden Grove Road, Piarco	15.75
Pro Processors	#25 Omera Road, Arima	17.00
Jeremy's Poultry Depot	Quesnel Steert, Arima	17.00
Lawerence Park Poultry Depot	#25 Nelson Street, Arima	16.00
Alraja Poultry Depot	Guaico Tamana Rd, Sangre Grande	15.00
R. Ali Meat Shop	t Shop Corner Ramoutar & Rousseau Street, Sangre Grande	
Ishmaeel's Poultry Depot	Lp A55 Munroe Road, Cunupia	16.00
C. Ramdial Poultry & Feed	135 Munroe Road, Cunupia	17.00
Highway Chicken Depot	Northbound Lane, Sir Solomon Hochoy Highway, Chaguanas	13.50
Ravi's Chicken Depot	Endeavour Road, Chaguanas	17.00
Riaz Poultry Depot	Calcutta Road #2, Freeport	16.00
Imtiaz Poultry Depot	714 SMR, California	16.00
Market City Poultry	Cocoyea V'ge, San Fernando	17.00
V Mac Poultry Depot	149 Malgretoute V'ge, Princes Town	16.00
Dillon's Meat Shop	153 Rochard Douglas Road, Barrackpore	16.00
Fowl Play Poultry Depot	Farm Road, Aripero	17.00
Shamo's Poultry & Meat Shop	45 Siparia Old Road, Fyzabad	15.00
Mayaro Poultry and Meats	Next to Mayaro Market, Mayaro	15.00
AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT PRICE	16.16	
MODAL DRESSED WEIGHT PRICE		16.00

Consumers are advised that of the two (2) pricing methods that exist, there is no general rule of thumb that one method is better than the other. The preferred method will always be the one that offers more value for money for consumers at the time of purchase. To illustrate this, assume a consumer wishes to purchase a 5lb chicken at a poultry depot that uses the live weight pricing method. Using the total average price per lb of \$8.49 and an average pluck and gut fee of \$15.00, a 5lb bird will cost the consumer \$57.45 (5 x \$8.49) + \$15.00). However, it is estimated that, on average, 20% of the live weight of the bird is lost in the pluck and gut process. Therefore, when purchasing a 5lb bird for \$57.45, the consumer will actually get a bird with a weight of around 4lbs after processing. This translates to a final price of around \$14.36 per lb for the actual bird. Estimated final prices for other similar weights are shown below:

LIVE WEIGHT	AVERAGE PRICE PER LB \$	PRICE PER BIRD INCLUSIVE OF PLUCK AND GUT* \$	DRESSED WEIGHT (20% LOSS)	FINAL PRICE PER LB TO CONSUMER \$		
6 lbs	8.49	65.94	4.8 lbs	13.74		
5 lbs	8.49	57.45	4.0 lbs	14.36		
4 lbs	8.49	48.96	3.2 lbs	15.30		
*15.00 pluck and gut						