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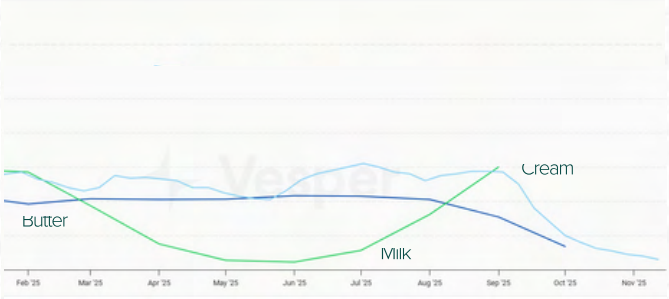
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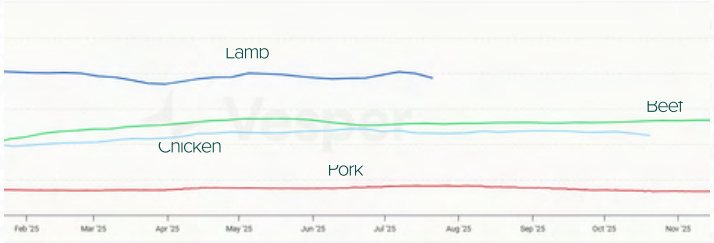
MARKET NEWS:

Commodity insights from key categories

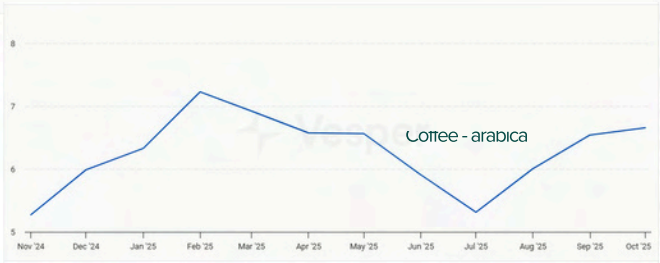
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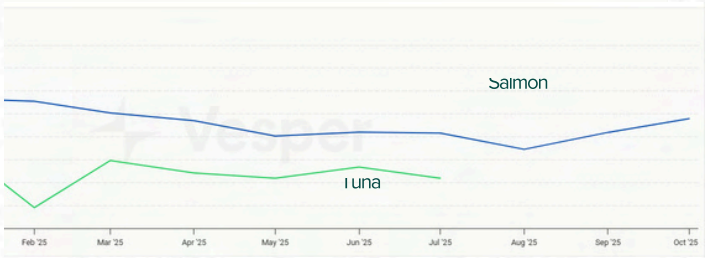
Meat prices:



Coffee prices:



Fish prices:



Inflation

UK inflation remains stubbornly above the Bank of England's 2% target, sitting at just over 4% year-on-year. Persistent price pressures in key areas such as food and services continue to impact businesses and consumers alike, despite gradual signs of easing earlier in the year.



Fuel

In October 2025, UK average pump prices stood at about 135.19p per litre for unleaded petrol and 143.01p per litre for diesel, reflecting ongoing cost pressures for motorists and fleets

Currency

The British pound (GBP) has been trading in a narrow band, standing at roughly $1.34 USD and €1.15 EUR as of mid-October 2025. Despite some recent strength, analysts caution that sterling could come under pressure later this year given the UK's fiscal challenges and growth outlook.





Transport

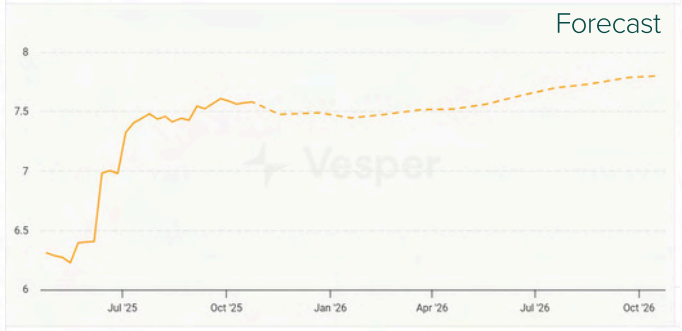
Transportation costs in the UK continue to trend upward into October and November 2025, with the transport sub-index of the CPI rising steadily from its summer levels. Road freight costs also remain elevated, driven by ongoing pressures in fuel prices, labour shortages and limited transport capacity.

KEY CATEGORY UPDATE: Turkey

Given the sustained pressures on production costs (feed, energy, labour) and ongoing strong global demand for poultry, turkey prices are likely to remain elevated or increase slightly in November/December. Although we've seen some stability, the build towards festive demand and tighter supply mean that buyers should expect no significant drop and should plan for incremental increases or at least holding on to current high levels. Supply-side risks such as disease outbreaks or logistics disruptions could further tighten availability and push prices higher.

Anticipated turkey pricing for December 2025 will likely remain elevated or rise marginally due to ongoing cost pressures (feed, energy, labour), strong seasonal demand, and upward momentum in wholesale markets. Import savings are limited by trade-complexities and currency volatility.
Meanwhile, consumer purchasing power is under strain from inflation, which may dampen demand somewhat, but supply-side risks - such as avian influenza - continue to keep availability tight, offering minimal relief on price.





What's IN SEASON?













Fruit

Apples, pears, quince, late-season blackberries, autumn raspberries, cranberries

Vegetables

Carrots, parsnips, beetroot, swede, turnips, celeriac
Leeks, kale, savoy cabbage, red cabbage, Brussels sprouts, cauliflower

Meat & Fish

While meat doesn't have seasons in the same way as produce, traditional farming cycles and pasture quality can influence availability and quality.



Lamb – particularly hogget and mutton
Venison – peak game season
Chicken – widely available and fresh
Partridge - autumn is prime for British meat & game
Cod, haddock, pollock - cooler waters bring quality
Mussels, oysters and clams - it's shellfish season

OAKLAND CARE

Celebrating Greener month 2025

At My Purchasing Partner, we're delighted to celebrate our client Oakland Care and their inspiring Greener Month initiative. This month-long focus truly reflects Oakland Care's values and their belief that caring for people also means caring for the planet and the communities around them. From planting trees and supporting local schools to actively reducing their carbon footprint, Oakland Care continues to lead the way as The Greener Care Choice.

This year, they launched their new 'Support a School' programme. Through this scheme, Oakland Care is offering up to £1,000 in funding to local schools connected to their care homes, supporting projects ranging from sensory gardens to creative learning spaces.

Their DBS checked green team will also be volunteering their time and skills to help bring these ideas to life.

The initiative reflects Oakland's commitment to nurturing the next generation as well as strengthening their community connections. It forms an important part of their wider 'Caring for the Community' programme, which extends their sustainability mission into meaningful social impact. We're proud to work alongside a care group providing such a difference in the communities they serve!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Food related dates for your diary

Here are some delicious dates to celebrate in November & December – perfect for themed menus and promotions!



30th November - St Andrews Day

A chance to celebrate Scottish ingredients and traditional comfort foods.

2nd December - English Breakfast Day

A moment to champion a British classic - from full breakfasts to lighter morning favourites.

4th December - National Cookie Day

A festive favourite treat - bake, share, and savour something sweet!



25th & 26th December - Christmas Day & Boxing Day

Two days filled with celebration, comforting classics and easygoing, festive dining.





There has been lots to celebrate recently at MPP!

We joined one of our clients and our food manufacturer partner for a Food Safari, exploring some of the latest food trends . shaping the market.

We were nominated for 'Supplier of the Year' at The National Care Awards! Unfortunately we didn't win this time, but we had a fantastic night celebrating with the Care Industry!



And a big shoutout to Sam, who joined our client Care South with their annual Walking Football tournament at AFC Bournemouth's new Performance Centre, a great day was had by all residents and their relatives!