



Q: Can you increase the egg size produced by your chickens?

A: You need to feed layer birds correctly from **breeding time** to the **point-of-lay time** to increase their output. The birds need to attain the correct weight by 5 weeks during breeding else it will be difficult for them to attain the correct weight at the point-of-lay period and produce good sized eggs. Between 10-16 weeks, the chicken's reproductive system is preparing for egg laying. You need to give them the correct feed and medications at this stage also.



A: Not really, it depends on how well the chickens are fed during their developmental period until and during laying time. Chicken eggs start out at 18 weeks small and gradually should increase in size as time passes from 18 weeks to 60 weeks.

Q: what is the cost of having your own feedmill, from the machinery, workers and feed materials?

A: it really depends on the size of the feedmill you have and how many birds you have on your farm. You might not need a feedmill for like 1,000 birds because you will need a **Mixer** that might be expensive to make or buy. You can simply have your staff mix the feed with a shovel for about 2,000 birds.





Also, for **Milling**, you might need to also get a hammer milling machine for milling several tonnes of maize for your feed every day. You might be better off paying for the milling done for you and not spend too much money on the machine when needing only several 100 kilograms of maize milled daily.



Buy a good bird breed with good quality birds from a good breeder. Make sure you use the correct chicken feed at the right time. Apply growers feed when they are growing, etc. Make sure you are using the correct mixing ratio for your bird feeds to ensure proper growth. Check for diseases always.



Black Soldier fly larvae can also be raised and fed to your chicks for adequate protein supply. Just make sure you feed the larvae a good protein food source.



Q: which animal can make more profit on the farm?

A: it depends on if the country you are like chicken or beef, this will affect your cost to raise and the sales. You also need the costs associated with medication, labor, feed availability, etc.







Things you need to do for your farm running:

1. Prioritized your sanity and don't stress out over anything.
2. Raise and Train a team of people to do the work without you (accounting, selling the birds, raising the birds or crops, growing, marketing. etc).
3. There are teams running the farms activities, most of my work is just supervising.
4. Get a schedule and timetable of activities on the farm.