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# Food-Price Inflation Isn't Going Away. It's More Than Tariffs.

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Food-production costs are also spurring price hikes. "Tariffs are a factor, but they are only one piece of the puzzle," says Joe Hannon, a veteran of the restaurant industry and general manager of inventory and purchasing at Restaurant365, a provider of restaurant management software. "Food costs are also climbing because of labor shortages in production and distribution, elevated transportation expenses, and weather events that disrupt harvests and livestock production."