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#### Investment in Brazil



Aviagen has invested US\$ 27 million over the past two years to

increase its grandparent and parent stock production capacity on farms and hatcheries in Brazil.

The expanded capacity was needed to meet a growing demand for Aviagen's Ross 308 AP and Ross 408 birds used in the production of both breeders and broilers in Latin America.

Among Aviagen's recent Brazilian investments are the recent construction of new facilities, as well as the modernisation of existing ones, in Brazil's states of São Paulo and Minas Gerais.

The new and upgraded facilities integrate the latest advances in

The new house for parent stock production in Uberaba.



hatchery design and technology, ensuring the highest biosecurity and energy efficiency. These investments, along with others throughout the country, are helping the company keep pace with a growing demand for its broiler breeding stock.

Completed in June 2018, a new modern grandparent production hatchery in Santa Cruz das Palmeiras boasts an incubation capacity of around 1.5 million eggs per month.

A new grandparent production centre in Redenção da Serra in the Paraíba Valley was inaugurated in February of this year, and a grandparent farm in São Luis do Paraitinga, also in the Paraíba Valley, was recently established.

Completed in July 2017, Aviagen's hatchery in Rio Claro was upgraded with new and improved equipment, leading to increased production capacity and excellent biosecurity.

Aviagen will also double the production capacity of its parent stock facility in Uberaba in September.

The farm will have a modern environment control and breeding system, contributing to improved welfare, better uniformity and higher productivity.

aviagen.com

#### Maple Lodge Farms expands hatchery



Maple Lodge Farms has announced an US\$ 8 million expansion of the Curtis Chicks Hatchery in Ontario, Canada. The 22,825ft<sup>2</sup> expansion to the facility is currently underway and expected to be operational by the end of the year or early next year.

The expansion will include state-of-the-art incubation equipment provided by Jamesway, a long time supplier for Maple Lodge hatcheries. The project will feature 36 Platinum 2.0 incubators and 20 Platinum 2.0 hatchers.

"This is a significant investment,"



Michael Burrows, CEO of Maple Lodge Farms, told International Hatchery Practice. "We will be doubling the capacity."

Once complete, the Port Hope hatchery will be the largest of Maple Lodge Farms' four hatchery facilities in Ontario. Currently the hatchery produces 24 million chicks a year and will now have the capacity for 48 million chicks annually.

jamesway.com

### Key supplier of ducks to Europe



From a standing start 10 years ago Cherry Valley now produces three million hatching eggs per year in Germany. This makes its German operation a key supplier of Cherry Valley SM3 Pekin duck breeding stock to Europe and the wider world market, and the largest single GP enterprise outside China.

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