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## EEG Group 4 visit in South America in May 2025



From Tuesday 20/5 to Monday 26/5 we were on a study trip to Brazil and Paraguay to see South American pig production. We visited 2 farms where we got an insight into their routines and results.

Brazil with 2.3 million sows and export of 30% of production is a major player in the world market. Paraguay, on the other hand, with 40,000 sows is a bit of a dream country to see, low production costs, high price 1.55 USD/kg live weight, great support from the state and a plan to expand by 80,000 sows in the next 5 years nationwide. There was great optimism to be seen in agriculture.

The entire group was hugely impressed by the professional mentality that was displayed by all employees, who were 100% dedicated to all procedures.

Topigs Norsvin, 12.000 søer	2024
Farings %	93
Døde søer %	8
Spildfoder dage	7.56
Levende fødte	14.8
Kuld-årsso	2.32
Døde farestald %	8.6
Fravænet-årsso	32.4



Danbred, 3.500 søer	2024
Farings %	94
Døde søer %	7.5
Levende fødte	16
Kuld-årsso	2.32
Døde farestald %	10.3
Fravænnnet-årsso	35.8

A 3-week weaning period is run on both farms visited.

The average cost was 0.75 USD/produced kg (+/-5 DKK/Kg). The low cost is achieved from high productivity, low construction costs and low feed prices.

The feed consisted mostly of Corn and Soybean. Corn costs about 50 Euro below European prices/ton while soybean meal is at EU prices due to high transport costs in the countries.

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