## Factors that affect water consumption

Table 1

Bird Factors	<u>Water Quality</u> Factors	Feed Quality Factors	House Factors
<ol> <li>Genetics;</li> <li>Sex;</li> <li>Age;</li> </ol>	1. Hardness; 2. Nitrate levels; 3. Total dissolved solids;	<ol> <li>Feed composition;</li> <li>Feed type;</li> <li>Feed intake;</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Water temperature;</li> <li>Water pressure;</li> <li>Poorly installed regulators on drinker lines;</li> </ol>
<ul><li>4. Health or disease challenge;</li><li>5. Body temperature control.</li></ul>	4. Bacterial contamination.	4. Mycotoxin contamination.	<ul> <li>4. Drinker height (including impact of uneven litter);</li> <li>5. Leakage from drinker system;</li> <li>6. Type of drinker system;</li> <li>7. House temperature;</li> <li>8. Air velocity;</li> <li>9. Air humidity.</li> </ul>

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