

Google to invest \$390m in data center in Belgium

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Internet search giant Google says it is investing 300 million euros (\$390 million) to expand its continental European data center.

[Google Inc.](#) said Wednesday it will upgrade the facility in Belgium to meet growing demand for its online services.

The information underpinning Google's services—Internet search requests, [Gmail](#) or YouTube—is processed in industrial-scale data centers such as the Belgian plant in St. Ghislain southwest of Brussels.

Google says the center currently has some 120 employees and is one of the most energy-efficient facilities of its kind.

The company, based in Mountain View, California operates other data centers catering for the European market in Ireland and Finland.

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