



## Country Profile: Brazil

Brazil is a federative nation state with an advanced developing economy. Facilities for tourism are excellent in the major cities, but vary in quality in remote areas. Read the Department of State [Background Notes on Brazil](#) for additional information.

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### COUNTRY OVERVIEW



<b>Country Name:</b>	Brazil
<b>Continent:</b>	South America
<b>Capital City:</b>	Brasilia
<b>Boundary Countries:</b>	Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, French Guiana, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela
<b>Recommended Hospitals in Capital:</b>	Brasilia: Fleury Unidade Brasilia Campinas: Fleury Unidade Campinas Porto Alegre: Hospital Moinhos de Vento Rio de Janeiro: Fleury Unidade Leblon, Hospital Samaritano, Clinica Sao Vicente Sao Paulo: Fleury Hospital Dia, Fleury Medicina e Saude, Fleury Unidade- Adolfo Pinheiros, Alphaville, Braz Leme, Sumare, Villa-Lobos, Brigadeiro Luis Antonio, Chacara Klabin, Higienopolis, Ibirapuera, Jardim America, Jundiai, Oscar Americano, Paraiso, Santo Andre, Sao Bernardo do Campo, Shopping Analia Franco, Shopping Jardim Sul, Sociedade Hospital Samaritano
<b>Main Cities:</b>	Brasília, Rio de Janeiro, São Paulo, Belo Horizonte, Belem, Manaus
<b>Country Size:</b>	8,511,965 sq km,
<b>Population:</b>	190,010,647

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### COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

<b>Language:</b>	Portuguese (official), Spanish, English, French
<b>Currency:</b>	Brazilian Real (BRL)
<b>Predominant Religions:</b>	Roman Catholic (nominal) 73.6%, Protestant 15.4%, Spiritualist 1.3%, Bantu/voodoo 0.3%, other 1.8%, unspecified 0.2%, none 7.4%
<b>National Holidays:</b>	Independence Day, 7 September (1822)
<b>Economic Status:</b>	Characterized by large and well-developed agricultural, mining, manufacturing, and service sectors, Brazil's economy outweighs that of all other South American countries and is expanding its presence in world markets.
<b>Security:</b>	Brazilian Army, Brazilian Navy (Marinha do Brasil (MB), includes Naval Air and Marine Corps (Corpo de Fuzileiros Navais)), Brazilian Air Force (Forca Aerea Brasileira, FAB)

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