



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.

COUNTRY OVERVIEW



Country Name:	Brazil
Continent:	South America
Capital City:	Brasilia
Boundary Countries:	Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, French Guiana, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela
Recommended Hospitals in Capital:	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
Main Cities:	Brasília, Rio de Janeiro, São Paulo, Belo Horizonte, Belem, Manaus
Country Size:	8,511,965 sq km,
Population:	190,010,647

COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

Language:	Portuguese (official), Spanish, English, French
Currency:	Brazilian Real (BRL)
Predominant Religions:	Roman Catholic (nominal) 73.6%, Protestant 15.4%, Spiritualist 1.3%, Bantu/voodoo 0.3%, other 1.8%, unspecified 0.2%, none 7.4%
National Holidays:	Independence Day, 7 September (1822)
Economic Status:	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.
Security:	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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Major Airports:	<p>Airports: 4,276, Airports with paved runways: 714</p> <p>Rio de Janeiro-Galeao - Antonio Carlos Jobim International Airport (GIG/SBGL) Galeão, RJ, Brazil Av 20 de Janeiro S/No, Predio da Uac, 1 Andar, Ilha do Governador, CEP 21942-900 Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL Tel: +55 (0)21 398-4597, +55 (0)21 3398 4526, +55 (0)21 3398 2155 Fax: +55 (0)21 393-2288, +55 (0)21 3398 4214 Email: carlos_henrique@infraero.gov.br Website: www.infraero.gov.br</p> <p>São Paulo - Congonhas International Airport (CGH/SBSP), Congonhas, SP, Brazil, Av Washington Luiz s/n, Campo Belo, SP 04695-900 São Paulo, BRAZIL Tel: +55 (0)11 5090-9000 Fax: +55 (0)11 5531-7718 Website: www.infraero.gov.br</p> <p>São Paulo - Guarulhos International Airport (GRU/SBGR), Guarulhos, SP, Brazil INFRAERO PO Box 3061, CEP 07141-970 Guarulhos, Sao Paulo, BRAZIL Tel: +55 (0)11 6445-2375, +55 (0)11 6445-2945, (PR) +55 (0)11 6445-2256 Fax: +55 (0)11 6445-3743, +55 (0)11 6445-3173 Email: guarulhos@infraero.gov.br</p>

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