



BRAZIL

Total area: 8,514,877 km²

Population: 203,429,773 (July 2011 est.)

Currency: Reals (BRL)

Official USA languages: Portuguese (official and most widely spoken language).

Federative Republic of Brazil continues to pursue industrial and agricultural growth and development of its interior. Exploiting vast natural resources and a large labor pool, it is today South America's leading economic power and a regional leader, one of the first in the area to begin an economic recovery.

Climate: mostly tropical, but temperate in south

Economy: Characterized by large and well-developed agricultural, mining, manufacturing, and service sectors, Brazil's economy outweighs that of all other South American countries, and Brazil is expanding its presence in world markets. Its GDP per capita was usd 10800 (2010 est.), ranking 102 worldwide. It is distributed as such: **Agriculture:** 5.8%; **industry:** 26.8%; **services:** 67.4% (2010 est.)

Exports: Transport equipment, iron ore, soybeans, footwear, coffee, autos. Value: usd 202 billion (2010est).

Imports: Machinery, electrical and transport equipment, chemical products, oil, automotive parts, electronics. Value: usd 182 billion (2010est).

Brazil is a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and therefore has made commitments to subscribe to the Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Agreement and to Codex Alimentarius (CODEX) principles.

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