

Brazil: an overview

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- Borders: 16 thousand km land borders, with 10 countries
- Brazil is the 3rd country in the world with more neighbors



Population

- 204 million (World 6th)
- Multi-ethnic country: 47% white, 43% mixed, 7% black, 1% Asian; 0.4% Indigenous
- Multicultural society: 2nd largest Polish community in the world



Democracy

- Federative Republic: 26 States and 1 Federal District (Brasilia)
- Presidential system
- Legislative branch: two Chambers: Senate (81 seats), Chamber of Representatives (513 seats)



Summer Olympic Games

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- Rio de Janeiro



Economy



- GDP 3.1 trillion USD (World 9th)
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