Brazil by the Numbers

Rankings, Ratings, and Sundry Facts

- Brazil's dependence on energy imports is exactly zero. In 2006, Brazil achieved energy independence based on domestic oil drilling and ethanol production.
- Brazil is the most populous country in Latin America, with 188 million people. More people speak Portuguese as their first language in South America than Spanish.
- Brazil is 1.1 times the size of the continental United States.
- 2.7 Billion dollars were remitted from the United States to Brazil in 2005.
 - Sixth highest Gross Domestic Product per capita in Latin America of \$5,176.55 as of 2006.
 - Only seven percent of Brazilians view crime as the country's chief challenge—despite international media attention on crime—ranking behind unemployment (20 percent) and health (14 percent).
 - Ninth-largest economy in the world measured by Purchasing Power Parity.
- 9 6 Brazil's unemployment rate of 9.6 percent is the eighth highest in Latin America as of 2006.
- Percentage of Brazilians with a favorable opinion of President Bush, compared with 28 percent with a favorable opinion of Fidel Castro, and 17 percent with a favorable opinion of Hugo Chavez.
- 19.7 Percentage of Brazilian exports that go to the United States, Brazil's top trading partner as of 2005.
 - Percentage of Brazilians who live below the poverty line, the fifteenth-highest in Latin America.
 - Percent share of ethanol that has replaced Brazil's non-diesel gasoline consumption.
 - 54 Cent-per-gallon tariff that is levied on Brazilian ethanol imported into the United States.
 - 76 Percentage of Brazilians who have at least a "fair" opinion of President Lula de Silva.
 - Percent share of global ethanol production by Brazil and the United States together. Brazil is the world's leading ethanol exporter.
 - Percentage of vehicles sold in Brazil that are flex-fuel models using ethanol or gasoline.

600.000—1.2 M Estimated number of Brazilians in the United States.

