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# Country Profile: Brazil

**Committee:** UNICEF: Childhood Hunger, Food Waste, Food Recovery and Farmland Restoration

## AT A GLANCE

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| **Capital** | Brasilia (World Bank, Last Accessed: November 2026) |
| **Population** | About 212.8 million people in 2025 (World Bank, Last Accessed: November 2026) |
| **Region** | Latin America and the Caribbean (World Bank) |
| **Hunger Map** | Off FAO's Hunger Map again in 2025 |

## WHY BRAZIL MATTERS IN UNICEF

Brazil links all three parts of our topic: it fights hunger, it has a national law against food waste, and it restores damaged farmland. It also designed a global alliance against hunger.

## WHAT THE RECORD SHOWS

- Brazil told a UN food committee that FAO's 2025 hunger report confirms Brazil is off the Hunger Map again, with less than 2.5 percent of its people undernourished. (Committee on World Food Security, Last Accessed: October 2026)
- In 2025, Brazil replaced its 2020 food donation law with a national policy against food loss and waste (Law No. 15,224). Donors must pay for harm only if they cause it on purpose. (Presidency of Brazil, September 30, 2025)
- In 2023, Brazil created a national programme to turn degraded pastures into sustainable farms and forests. (Presidency of Brazil, December 5, 2023)
- The Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, designed by Brazil while leading the G20, was launched in Rio de Janeiro on November 18, 2024. (Food and Agriculture Organization, November 18, 2024)

## OUR POSITION IN ONE SENTENCE

*Brazil left the Hunger Map again in 2025 and has national rules for donating food and turning damaged pastures into sustainable farms and forests.*

## THREE IDEAS OUR DELEGATE CAN PROPOSE

**1.** Joining the alliance: every country joins the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty and shares what works.

**2.** Protecting food donors: laws that let shops and restaurants donate safe food without fear of being blamed for accidents.

**3.** Healing the land: national plans to turn damaged farmland back into land that grows food.

## CAREFUL NOTE

Leaving the Hunger Map does not mean zero hunger: Brazil reported a severe lack of food in 3.2 percent of its households in 2024.

## QUESTIONS WE STILL ANSWER OURSELVES

**1.** How many of our children under five are stunted, and is our country on FAO's Hunger Map?

2. How much food do our homes waste, and do our laws help shops donate safe food?
3. How much of our land is damaged, and has our country set a land degradation neutrality target?

## WHERE WE LOOK

Stunting data: https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SH.STA.STNT.ZS

Food Waste Index Report 2024: https://www.unep.org/resources/publication/food-waste-index-report-2024

Land targets: https://www.unccd.int/our-work/country-profiles/voluntary-ldn-targets

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