OPEN DOORS FACT SHEET: BRAZIL

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Educational Exchange Data from *Open Doors 2010*

In the 2009/10 academic year, **8,786** students from Brazil were studying in the United States (up 0.2% from the previous year). Brazil is the fourteenth leading place of origin for students coming to the United States.

Academic Level: The majority of Brazilian students study at the undergraduate level. In 2009/10, their academic breakdown was as follows:

46.5%	undergraduate
35.5%	graduate students
10.0%	other
8.0%	OPT (Optional Practical Training)

Historical trends: The number of Brazilian students in the U.S. increased steadily in the 1990s, peaking at 8,972 students in 2001/02. After several years of decline, Brazilian students began to rebound in 2006/07, increased by 15.7% in 2008/09 and now 0.2% in 2009/10.

Year	# of Students from Brazil in the U.S.	% Change from Previous Year	# of U.S. Study Abroad Students Going to Brazil
2009/10	8,786	0.2%	n/a
2008/09	8,767	15.7%	2,777 (up 2.0%)
2007/08	7,578	6.3%	2,702
2006/07	7,126	1.7%	2,524
2005/06	7,009	-3.2%	2,328
2004/05	7,244	-7.1%	1,994
2003/04	7,799	-7.0%	1,554
2002/03	8,388	-6.5%	1,345
2001/02	8,972	1.4%	1,064
2000/01	8,846	-0.2%	760
1999/00	8,860	10.0%	717
1998/99	8,052	15.3%	594
1997/98	6,982	13.2%	555
1996/97	6,168	12.2%	424
1995/96	5,497	-	386

Note: Study abroad figures from *Open Doors* reflect credit given by U.S. campuses during the survey year to their students who studied abroad in the academic year just completed, including the summer term. Study abroad in 2009/10 will be reported in *Open Doors 2011*, once credit is awarded by the home campus.

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