

South America's Economic Pulse: Festivals, Trade, and Green Energy Shifts in 2025

South America Economy · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. What was the estimated economic impact of Carnival 2025 in Rio de Janeiro, and what percentage of Brazil's national Carnival economic output did this represent?

- A) R\$5.7 billion, representing nearly half of Brazil's total.**
- B) R\$8.8 billion, representing one-third of Brazil's total.
- C) R\$12.03 billion, representing the entirety of Brazil's total.
- D) R\$2 billion, representing 15% of Brazil's total.

2. Which South American country is projected to become the world's fifth-largest fruit exporter in 2025, overtaking Chile?

- A) Peru**
- B) Brazil
- C) Argentina
- D) Colombia

3. In 2025, international travel worldwide saw a 4% increase. Which region experienced the strongest growth at 11%?

- A) South America**
- B) Europe
- C) North America
- D) Asia

4. According to IRENA's November 2025 report, what is the projected annual economic benefit for South America from its clean energy transition by 2050, in terms of GDP growth increase?

- A) An additional 1.1% per year**
- B) An additional 2.5% per year
- C) An additional 0.5% per year
- D) An additional 5.0% per year

5. What was the primary driver for the significant increase in deforestation in the Brazilian Amazon in recent years, despite a recent drop in rates?

- A) Economic incentives from commodity demand and illegal activities like mining.**
- B) Increased global demand for ecotourism.
- C) Natural climate change phenomena causing drought.
- D) Government initiatives promoting reforestation.

6. In 2025, Argentina is projected to become the world's fifth-largest beef exporter. Approximately what percentage of global beef production is this expected to represent?

- A) 5%**
- B) 10%
- C) 2%
- D) 15%

7. Which South American country is set to record the fastest Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) for renewable energy from 2026-2031, at 17.19%?

- A) Chile**
- B) Brazil
- C) Argentina
- D) Colombia

8. Regarding international travel trends in 2025, which region, despite a slight decline, remained the country with the highest level of international travel worldwide?

- A) North America (USA)**
- B) South America
- C) Europe
- D) Asia

9. In 2025, Brazil's agribusiness sector accounted for what percentage of the country's total exports?

- A) Approximately 48.5%**
- B) Approximately 25%
- C) Approximately 75%
- D) Approximately 10%

10. Which South American destination is experiencing a surge in shopping tourism from Argentines in 2025 due to favorable exchange rates, leading to significant economic activity in its border regions?

- A) Chile**
- B) Brazil
- C) Peru
- D) Uruguay