# Colombia





Bogota

1,109,500 sq km



Spanish



Colombian peso



51.2 million



25,9 million



Gustavo Petro



344 USD Billion

## **Economic indicators:**



GDP (in billion current US\$)





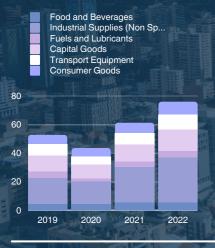
GDP per capita, PPP (in thousand current US\$)



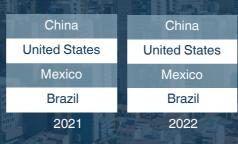
Trade balance (in billion current US\$)

## Imports:

#### Imports by sector (in billion US\$)



#### Top import origins

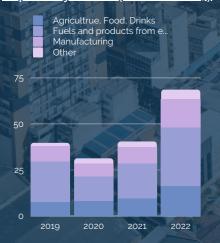


#### Most imported goods in 2022



## Exports:

#### Exports by sector (in billion US\$)



#### Top export destinations

United states
China
Panama
India
2022

#### Most exported goods in 2022



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## Opportunties:



- Air travel in Colombia is in high demand, but high fares and limited low-cost carrier options are holding back the market.
- The LCC model holds immense potential for further expanding air travel in Latin America.



- The construction market's growth potential is driven by increasing demand for both residential and non-residential projects. This industry plays a significant role, accounting for 7%-10% of Colombia's GDP.
- Set up factories to produce wood and glass products for construction.



- Bogota, Medellin, and Cali in Colombia are burgeoning tech hubs, offering high-tech infrastructure for networking and mentorship, fostering a growing technology community.
- Hotspot for qualified engineering talent, with competitive costs for hiring.



By 2050, renewable energy is expected to account for 25% of the country's energy.
Colombia's growing renewable energy sector creates a demand for specialized equipment, components, and materials.

### Economic Outlook:



#### Why Colombia?

- Colombia's strategic location makes it wellpositioned for efficient regional exports, with major shipping ports within a three-day reach.
- The country has become a leading provider of technology-based services in Latin America.
- Colombia features competitive labor costs and a skilled workforce, providing an advantage over other developed countries in Latin America.



#### **Future Trends**

- In 2024, Colombia aims to prioritize sustainability, addressing climate change concerns with new policies on renewable energy, sustainable agriculture, and deforestation
- Infrastructure investments, especially in roads, transportation, and energy, will be a focus of 2024, aimed at boosting Colombia's competitiveness and economic growth.
- Colombia's digital economy is poised to drive substantial economic growth, fueled by rising internet penetration, smartphone adoption, and e-commerce.



## Startups and VCs

- In the 2023 Global Startup Ecosystem Index, Bogota ranked 3rd, Medellin 9th, and Cali 17th in Latin America's top startup ecosystems.
- The venture capital investment in Colombia for the first half of 2023 amounted to US\$2.458 million.
- Colombia has been a hub for the emergence of renowned startups, including Rappi, Habi, Udemy, and others.
- The government supports startup development through three entities: Fondo Emprender, INNpulsa Colombia, and SENA Emprende Rural.



#### Global Performance

- #1 Coal producer in the region
- # 1 Coal briquettes exports
- #1 US importer of processed food from the region
- #3 Global exporter of coffee
- #5 Global exporter of cut flowers
- #7 Global exporter of bananas
- #13 Global exporter of oil
- 17 Trade Agreements some of them: FTA with the US and UE, CCFTA with Canada.