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Presentation of Ecuador

Ecuador is a South American country located on the equator, known for its great biodiversity and geographical diversity, divided into four natural regions: the **Coast**, the **Sierra** (Andes), the **Amazon**, and the **Galapagos Islands**.

Its culture is a blend of indigenous, colonial, and modern heritage, and its economy depends on exports such as oil, bananas, and cocoa, although it also seeks growth based on tourism and other sectors.

Brief description

"ECUADOR 4 WORLDS"

<https://youtu.be/RDbE-4Z5bvQ?si=q4-C7OSmPRT86bae>

Geography and environment

Natural Regions: Ecuador is divided into four distinct geographical regions:

1. **Coast:** Pacific coastal area with a warm and humid climate.
2. **Sierra:** the Andes mountain range, with high altitudes, cooler temperatures, and a wide variety of climates depending on the altitude.
3. **Amazonia:** the eastern region, with tropical forest and a warm, rainy climate.
4. **Insular Region or Galapagos:** the Galapagos Islands, with a dry and temperate climate.

Biodiversity

It is one of the Countries with the greatest diversity of flora and fauna in the world, with 11 national parks protecting this wealth.

Location: Its territory is located in both the northern and southern hemispheres, as it crosses the equatorial line.

Culture and society

Population: The ethnic composition includes a significant mixed-race population, along with European descendants and indigenous peoples.

Capital: Quito.

Sport: Soccer is the national sport.

Economy

Principal areas: The economy depends largely on exports of oil, bananas (it is the world's leading exporter), flowers, shrimp, and cocoa.

Tourism: It has great potential for tourism development thanks to its geographical and natural diversity.

Politics and administration

System of government: It is a presidential republic. The President is the head of State and government, democratically elected for a four-year term.

Powers of the State: The government is structured into five powers: Executive, Legislative, Judicial, Electoral and Transparency, and Social Control.

Constitution: The current Constitution was approved in 2008.