

Data Sovereignty and Artificial Intelligence in the Americas

Regulatory fragmentation, cybersecurity, and cross-border data governance for corporate data

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Central thesis

The Americas operate under fragmented regimes governing data protection, cybersecurity, and artificial intelligence. Physical server location is only one factor: the controller, processor, access jurisdiction, subcontractors, foreign law, and the possibility of government access also shape corporate exposure.

Five conclusions for decision-makers

- Compliance requires documented governance, legal bases, security, incident response, international-transfer controls, and third-party oversight — not only a privacy policy.
- The LGPD, Marco Civil da Internet, GDPR, and U.S. state laws create distinct layers; an immediate single regime for the Americas is not projected.
- Cloud and AI providers should be assessed for jurisdiction, subcontractors, key management, audit rights, portability, deletion, and migration capability.
- AI applications require risk classification, impact assessments, human oversight, and controls over training data, prompts, and confidential information.

The scenarios below are qualitative analytical assessments, not deterministic forecasts.

Scenarios, indicators, and complete report

Scenario	What happens	Signals to monitor
A — Continuity	Companies adopt layered compliance architectures, classify data by nature and jurisdiction, regionalize higher-risk operations, and contract for audit, notification, portability, and deletion.	New ANPD guidance; impact assessments; international-transfer agreements; AI policies; provider audits and incidents.
B — Disruption or risk escalation	Countries require strategic-data localization, local provider certification, mandatory human oversight, and restrictions on transfers; multinationals operate separate environments.	Residency requirements; undisclosed subcontractors; loss of key control; serious incidents without notice; single-vendor dependence.

Indicators to monitor

- new ANPD guidance and judicial decisions on AI
- international-transfer rules and data-residency requirements
- cloud-provider incidents and notification standards
- technology export controls and changes in U.S. state laws

Want the complete analysis?

The full report develops the evidence, risk matrix, scenarios, monitoring indicators, and decision framework.

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