

Primary Source Lab
on
Latin America's Geography

SS6G2

SS6G3

SS6G4

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

Data needs to be collected on each of these countries: Mexico, Venezuela, Brazil, & Cuba. Then, the student needs to draw conclusions and comparisons on WHERE DO PEOPLE LIVE AND WORK? AND WHY?

- 1.) Complete the student packet (“Prospectus Project Ponderings”) filled with charts and questions over content for standards SS6G3 & SS6G4. (See Ms. Holcombe for the file or find it on her website unit 5.) (*If you use this option- you will ONLY complete #1, 2, 3, and from this activity list.)
- 2.) Create a double-bubble thinking map comparing Venezuela & Mexico. (At a minimum, you must include the location, climate, and natural resources of both countries and how these are alike or different.)
- 3.) Create a double-bubble thinking map comparing Cuba & Brazil. (At a minimum, you must include the location, climate, and natural resources of both countries and how these are alike or different.)
- 4.) Make a 3-column/ 5-row chart and list the push and pull factors for the 4 given countries within Latin America. Then write a REGS as to which one is the better choice to live in and why?
- 5.) Describe the importance of education in 4 different countries of your choice. Be sure to back up your findings with evidence from the data.
- 6.) Complete the given 2 page handout chart titled “SS6G3” where 2 countries are compared at a time and conclusions are drawn based on it.
- 7.) Analyze political cartoons and primary source photos over the 3 main environmental concerns discussed in SS6G2– then discuss and write about.
- 8.) teacher- guided mini lessons on skills in reading a map/ charts and coming to conclusions based on content. (**VITAL ACTIVITIES**)
- 9.) Mini- quizzes over map/ chart skills and content in standards.

Textbook Pages to Use Also:

Page #	Description of map/ chart/ content
5	South Am. Economic Activity
142-3	Latin Am. Elevation, physical geog, population, & statistics
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188	Mexico's exports
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Latin America



Physical Features of Latin America



Climate Zones of Latin America



Vegetation Zones of Latin America



Economic Activity of Latin America



Population Density of Latin America





1. The ethnic composition of the Americas is the result of a long and complex process of migration and intermingling. The map shows the ethnic composition of the population in each country, based on the 2000 census data. The colors represent the different ethnic groups, and the size of the pie chart indicates the percentage of the population belonging to that group.

2. The map shows that the Americas are highly diverse, with a wide range of ethnic groups represented. The largest group in most countries is the Mestizo population, which is a mix of Native American and European ancestry. Other significant groups include Native Americans, Whites and Arabs, and Mulattos.

3. The map also shows that there are significant differences in ethnic composition between countries. For example, Brazil has a high percentage of Whites and Arabs, while Mexico has a high percentage of Mestizos. Chile and Argentina have a high percentage of Whites and Arabs, while Peru has a high percentage of Mestizos and Native Americans.

4. The map is based on the 2000 census data, and it is important to note that the ethnic composition of the Americas is constantly changing. Migration and intermingling continue to shape the ethnic landscape of the continent.

5. The map is a simplified representation of the complex ethnic composition of the Americas. It does not show the distribution of ethnic groups within each country, nor does it account for the influence of other factors such as language and culture.

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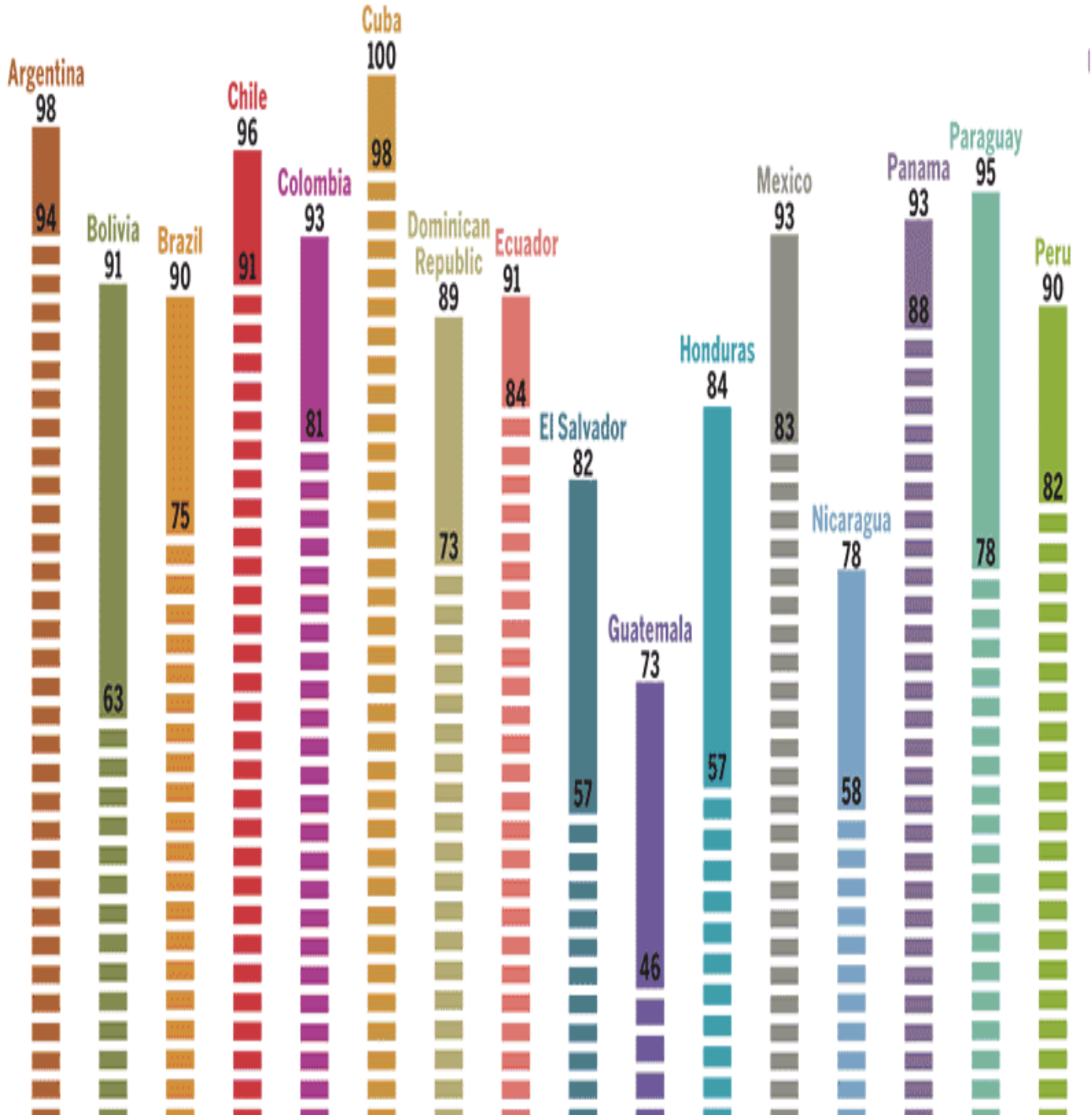
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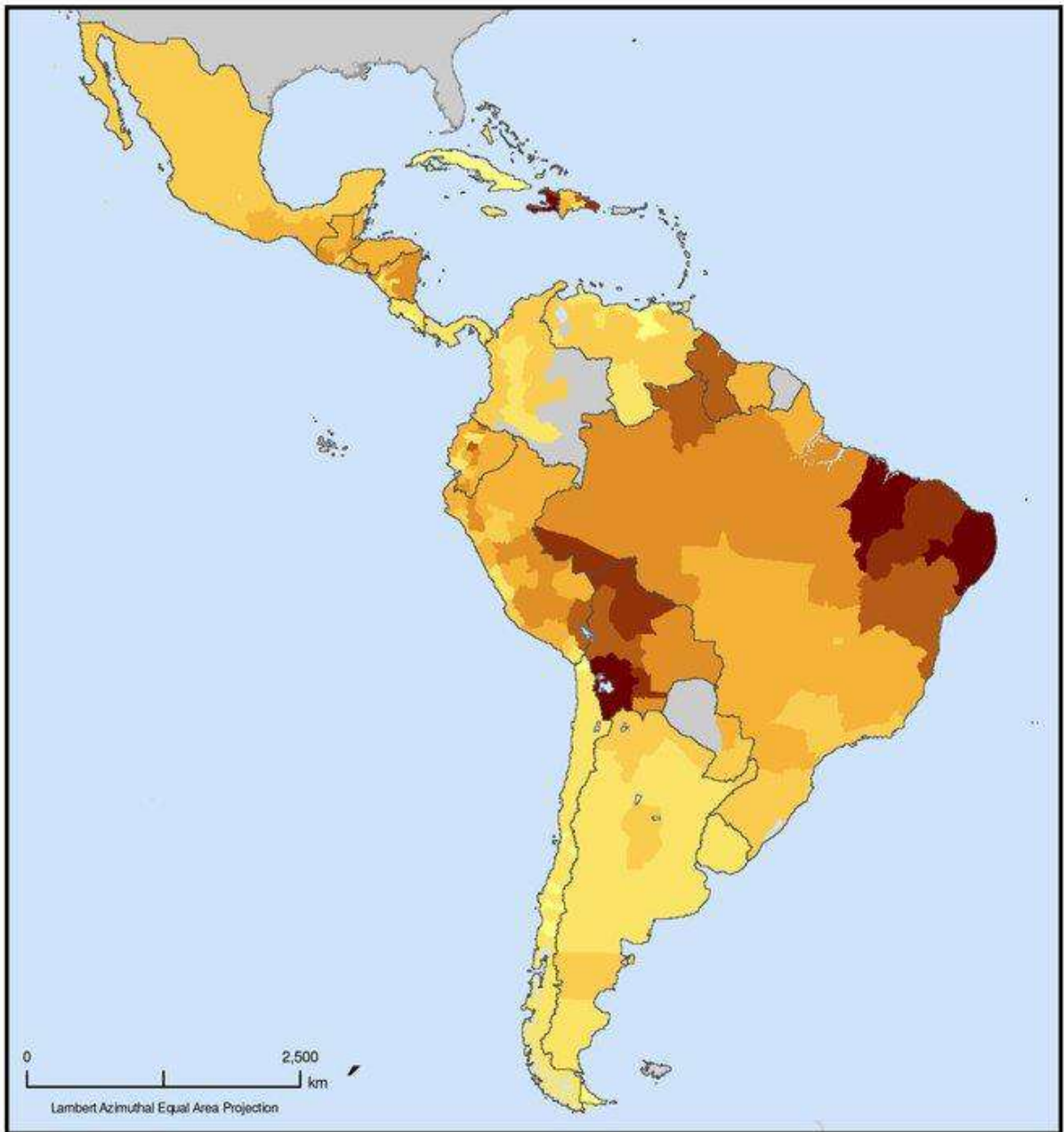
Literacy

Since 1985, literacy rates have climbed across Latin America, although unevenly. Those countries that had the greatest ground to cover did improve, but many still lag behind the rest of the region.

ADULT LITERACY RATE (% AGED 15 AND ABOVE)

1985 2007





Latin America

By Subnational Administrative Level

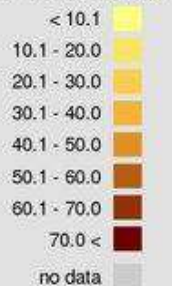
Measures of Poverty

Infant Mortality Rates [IMR]

Subnational mortality rates are adjusted to 2000 using national trend data.

Original data for 96% of countries are from 1995 or later. All data are from 1990 or later.

Infant mortality rate, 2000.
(deaths per 1000 live births)



National Boundary

Subnational boundaries have been removed from countries for clarity.

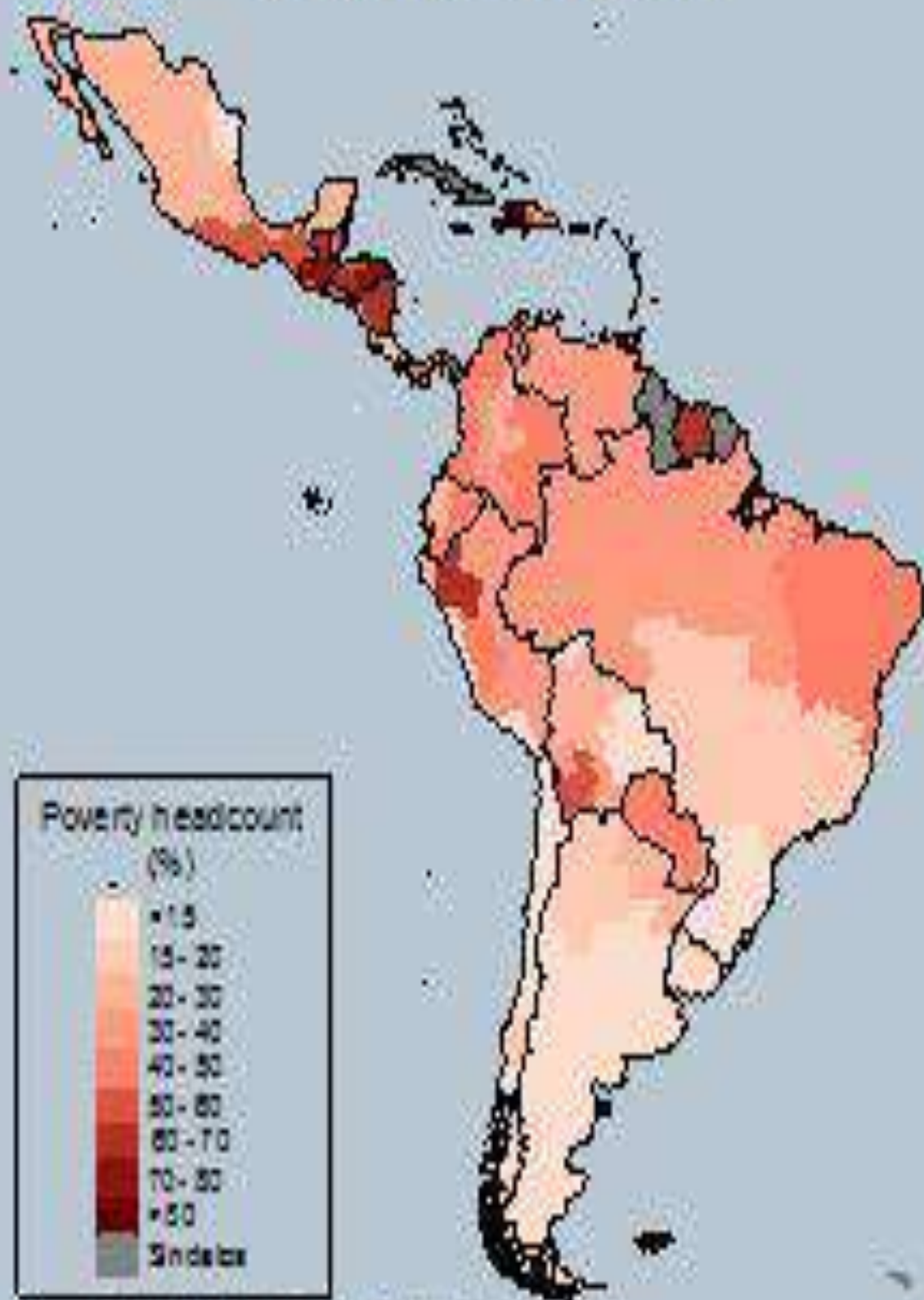


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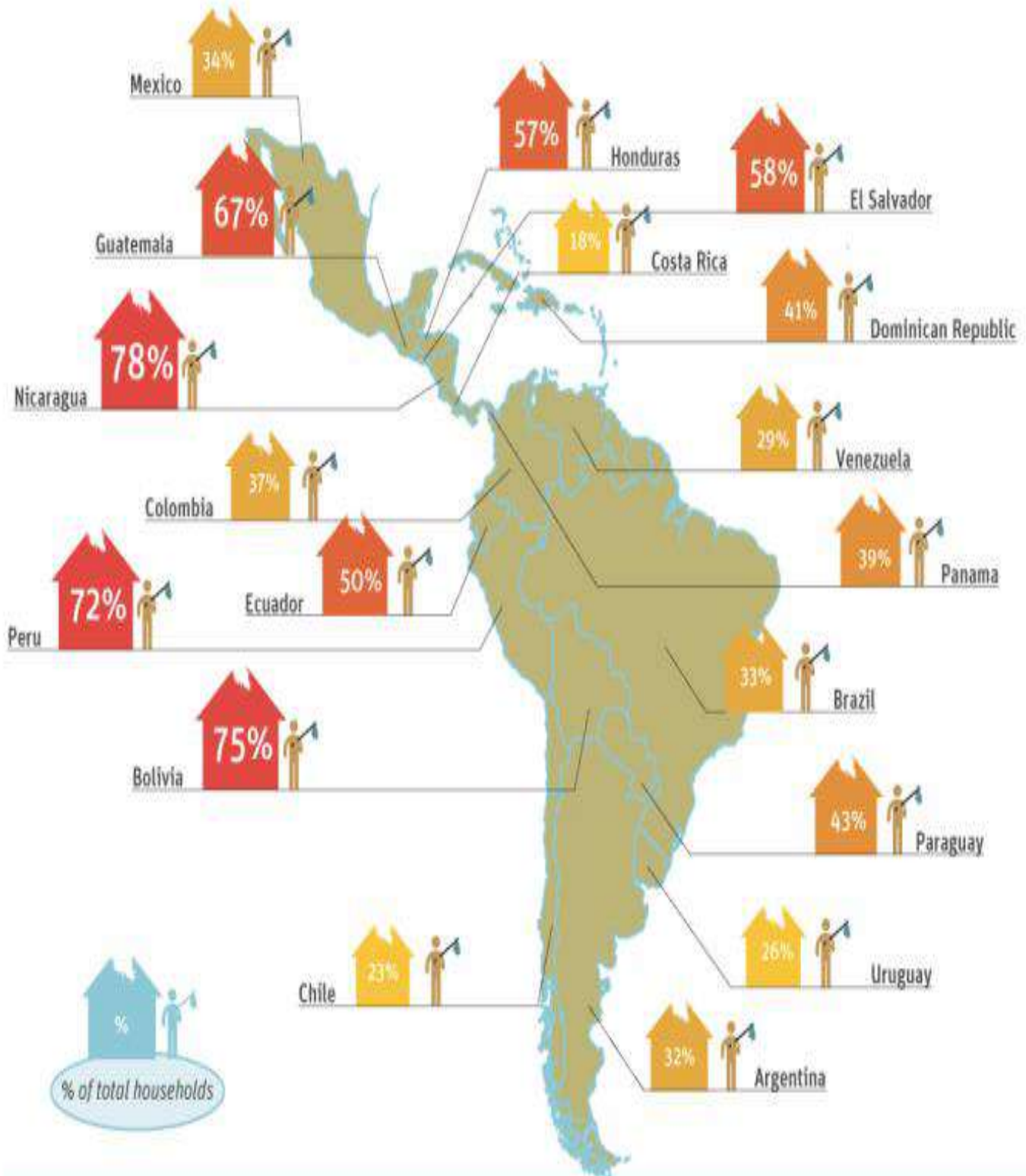
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Poverty in Latin America and the Caribbean



Source: SEDLAC (CEOLAS and The World Bank)

How many families are homeless or live in poor quality houses?





Caribbean Sea

Martinique (FR.)

Fort-de-France

SAINT LUCIA
Castries

SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
Kingstown

BARBADOS
Bridgetown

Saint George's
GRENADA

Aruba (NETH.)
Netherlands Antilles (NETH.)
Oranjestad
Curacao
Bonaire
Willemstad

Caracas area States
1. Yaracuy
2. Carabobo
3. Aragua
4. Miranda

Puerto Bolivar
Riohacha

Maracaibo

Coro

DISTRITO FEDERAL

NUEVA ESPARTA
La Asuncion

Port-of-Spain

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN
DELTA AMACURO

Valledupar

FALCON

LARA

Valencia

Los Teques

Barcelona

Cumana

SUCRE

Maturin

Cabimas

Barquisimeto

San Juan de los Morros

San Carlos

GUARICO

ANZOATEGUI

MONAGAS

Tucupita

Valera

GUAYANA

Barinas

San Fernando

San Juan de los Morros

ANZOATEGUI

CIUDAD GUAYANA

Curiapo

Merida

PORTUGUESA

Barinas

San Fernando

San Fernando

ANZOATEGUI

CIUDAD GUAYANA

Bochinche

Cucurta

TACHIRA

San Cristobal

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CIUDAD GUAYANA

Guasipat

Bucaramanga

APURE

San Fernando

San Fernando

San Fernando

ANZOATEGUI

CIUDAD GUAYANA

Bochinche

Paz de Rio

APURE

San Fernando

San Fernando

San Fernando

ANZOATEGUI

CIUDAD GUAYANA

Bochinche

Turija

APURE

San Fernando

San Fernando

San Fernando

ANZOATEGUI

CIUDAD GUAYANA

Bochinche

El Amparo

APURE

San Fernando

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CIUDAD GUAYANA

Bochinche

San Jose del Guaviare

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- Railway
- ★ National Capital
- Airport
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AZIL d Map



Trinidad and Tobago

VENEZUELA GUYANA FRENCH GUIANA SURINAME

NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN

Manaus

Fortaleza

Teresina

João Pessoa

Recife

Aracaju

Feira de Santana

Salvador

BRASÍLIA

Cuiabá

Goiânia

BOLIVIA

Uberlândia

Campo Grande

Belo Horizonte

Ribeirão Preto

Juiz de Fora

Campinas

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SOUTH ATLANTIC OCEAN

CHILE

ARGENTINA

Porto Alegre

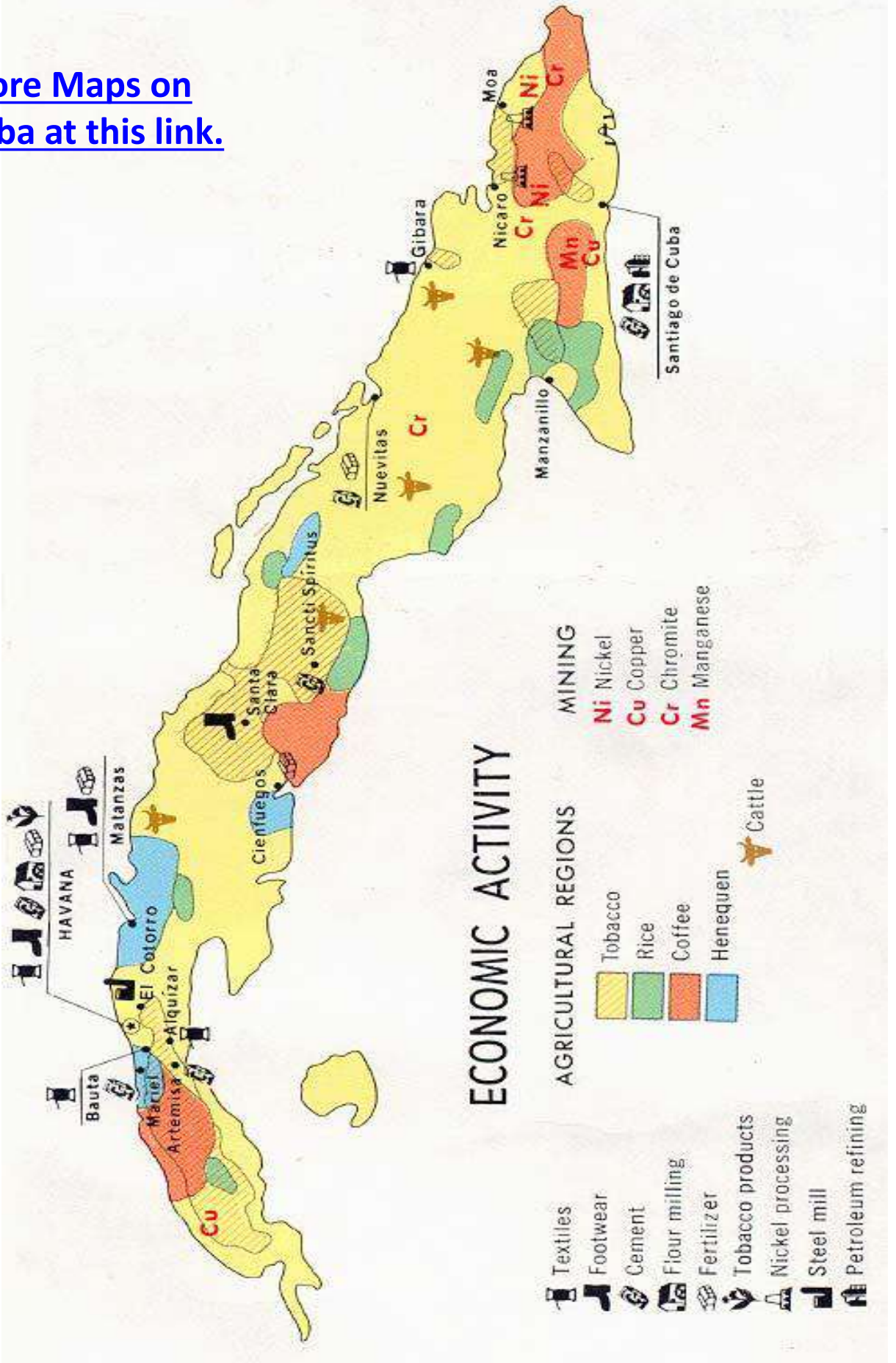
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250 500 KM
500 Miles

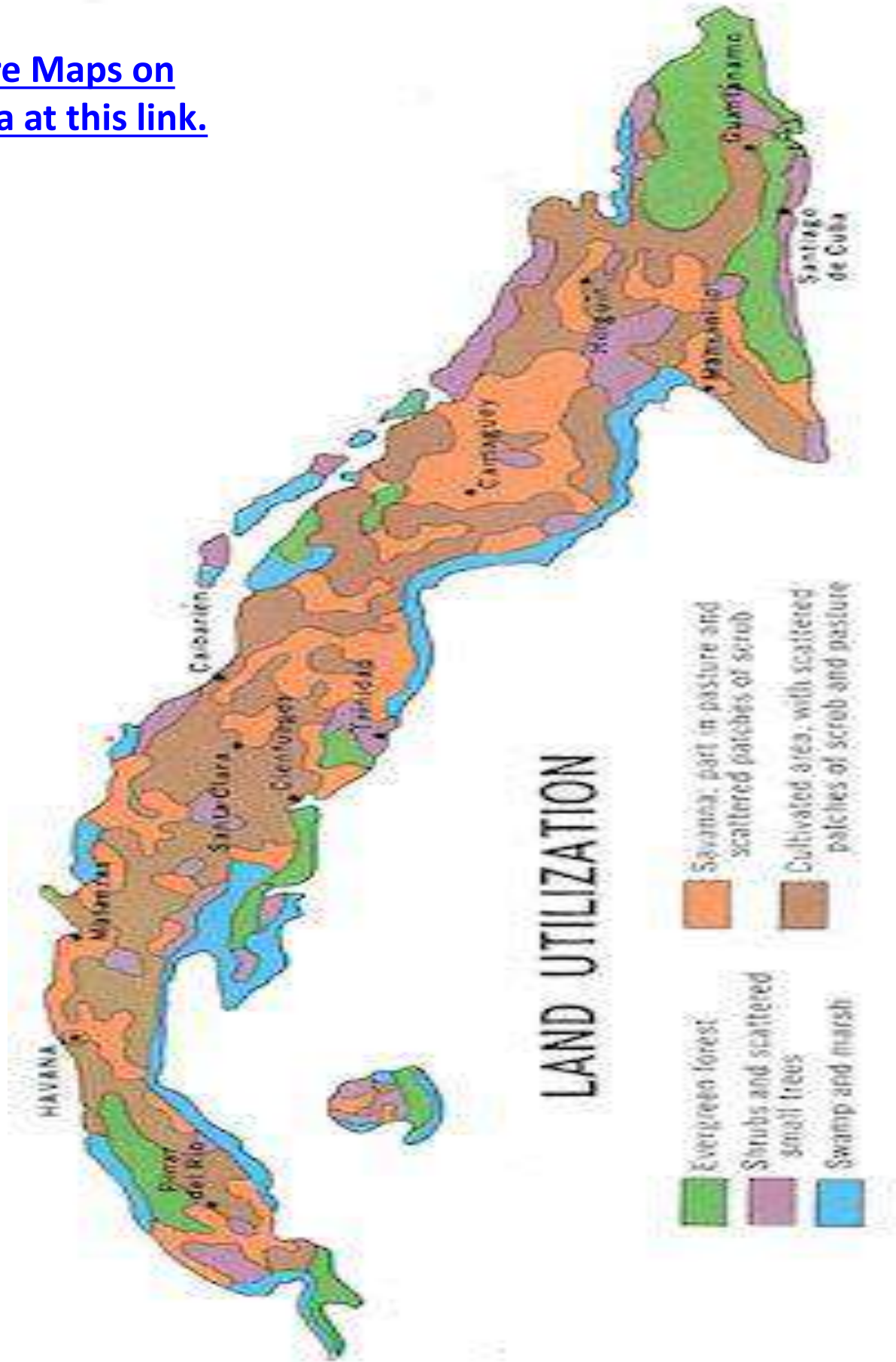
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————	Major Road
————	Other Road
■	Country
●	Major City
○	Other City



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Topography (elevation) Map

CUBA

ATLANTIC OCEAN



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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



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