

Mexico



Human and Physical Geography & Place Knowledge

Quick Facts



- Mexico covers an area of 1.97million km² , the third largest country in North America
- The country has 4 different time zones
- Mexico is situated on the 'Ring of Fire', the world's most prominent volcano and earthquake region.
- Most people speak Spanish and Mexico is the country with the most Spanish speakers in the world.

Vocabulary



Climate	 long-term average of weather	Mexico is located on the North American continent, sharing borders with the USA in the north and Belize and Guatemala in the south. The border between Mexico and USA is the second longest border in the world and is about 3,155km/2,000 miles long. It has long coastlines on the Caribbean Sea, Pacific Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico.
Continents		
Deserts		
Equator		
Mountains		
Gulf of Mexico		
Coast		
Temperate	Experience average Summer temperatures and cooler winter months	Much of Mexico is covered by mountains, and the highest peaks are over 5,000 metres. The Sierra Madre Occidental mountain range runs down most of the length of the country, from northwest to southeast. Pico de Orizaba at, is an inactive volcano, the highest mountain (5,636m) in Mexico and the third highest in North America.
Tropical	Experience a constant temperature between 24 and 28 degrees all year round.	

The north of the country most deserts and these regions receive so little rain that only a few specially adapted plants and animals can survive. In the centre lies its sprawling capital Mexico City. The south of Mexico is close to the equator, so it has a tropical climate. This area is covered by vast rainforests with a huge variety of plants and animals.

There are two climate areas in Mexico- Temperate (There are 4 seasons) and Tropical (There are only 2 seasons: Wet and Dry).

Diagrams

This is where Mexico is in the continent of North America



The Pacific Ocean, the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea border Mexico.