

Essential Question: How do location, climate, and natural resources affect people in Latin America?

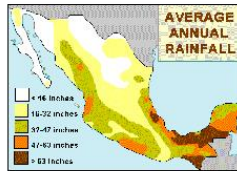
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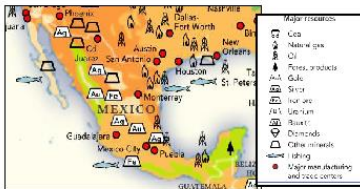
Compare the location, climate, and natural resources of Mexico & Venezuela

Mexico

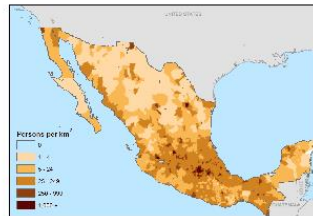
Location & Climate



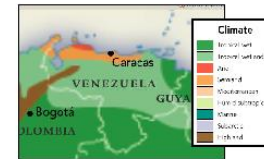
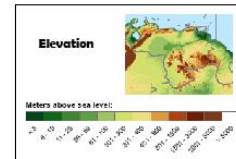
Natural Resources



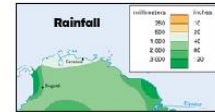
Population Density



Location & Climate



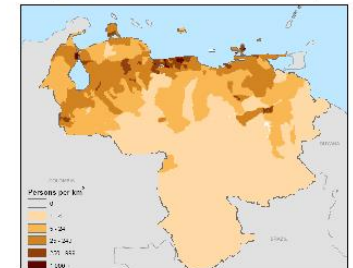
Venezuela



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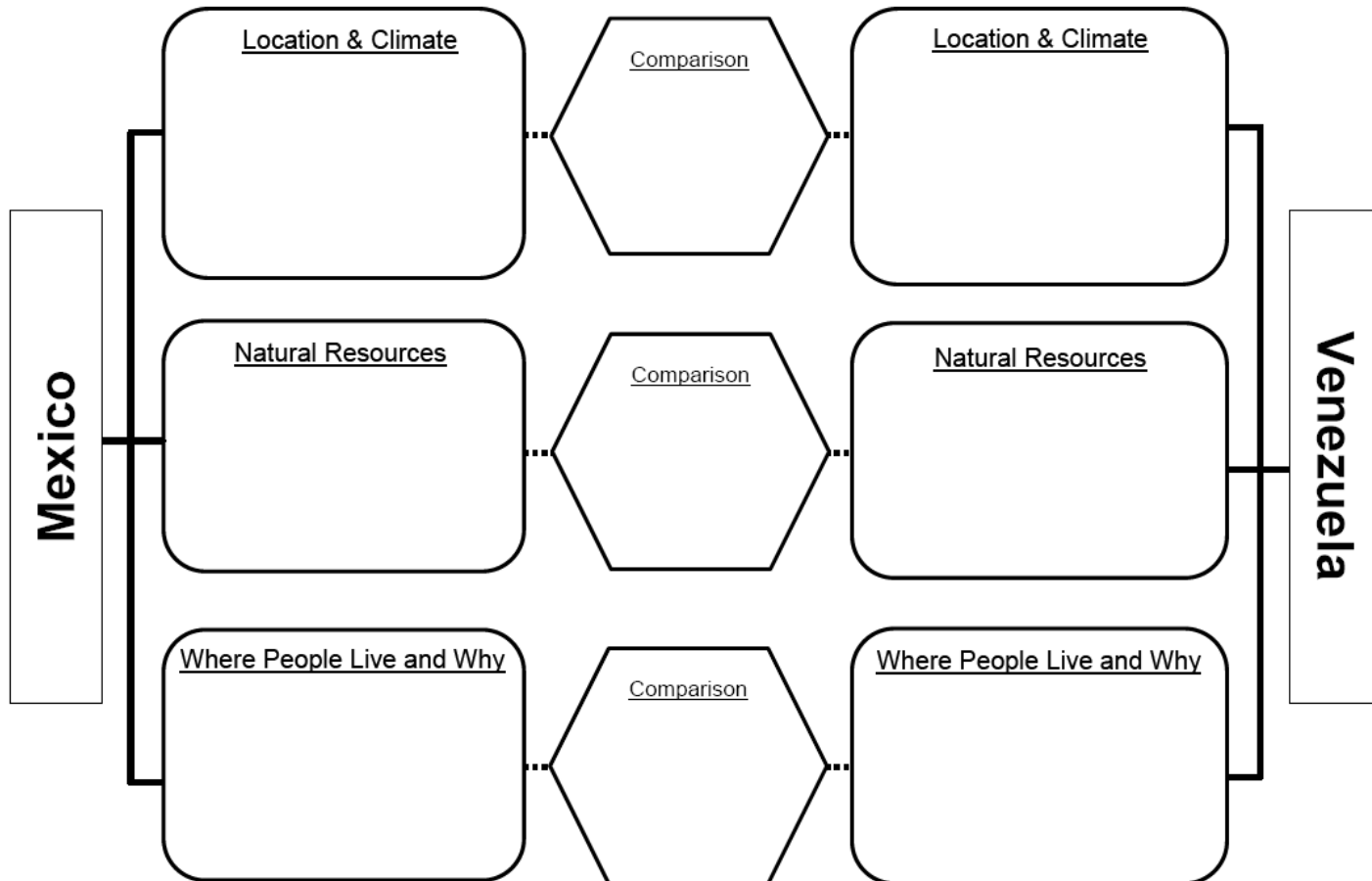
Population Density



Comparing Mexico and Venezuela



Use your graphic organizer to record your information.



In which of the two countries would you prefer to live? Use your information on location, climate, and natural resources to support your answer.

A world map with a white background and a dark green border at the top and bottom. The map shows the continents in a light gray color. Mexico is highlighted in a bright red color. The word "Mexico" is written in a bold, red, sans-serif font to the left of the highlighted area.

Mexico

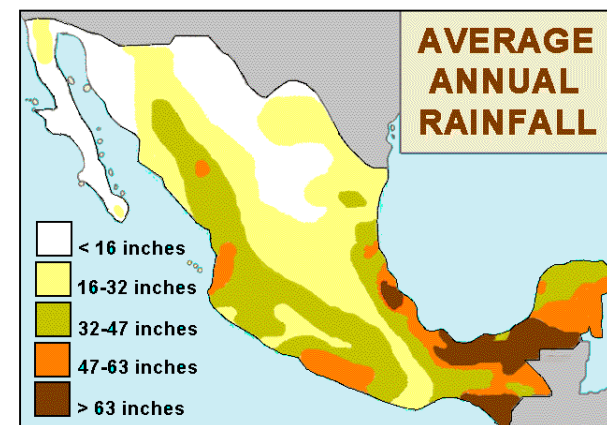
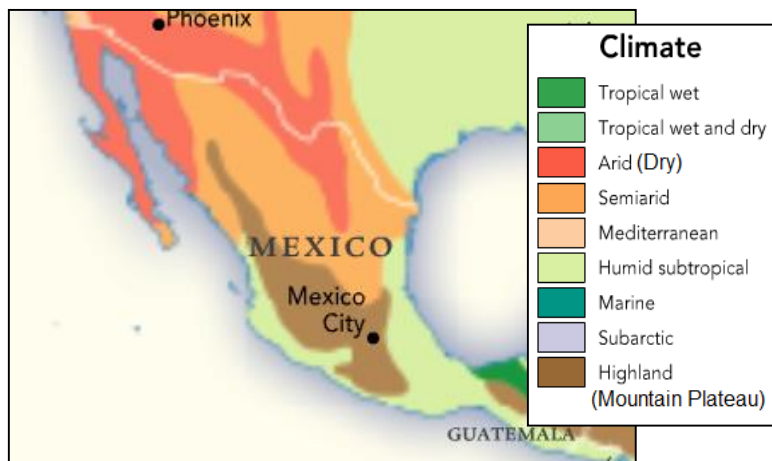
Mexico: Location & Climate

Many types of
landforms from
plateaus to
steep mountains
to dense forests



Mexico: Location & Climate

- Northern and Central Mexico have a dry climate with little rainfall
- Southern Mexico has a humid, tropical climate

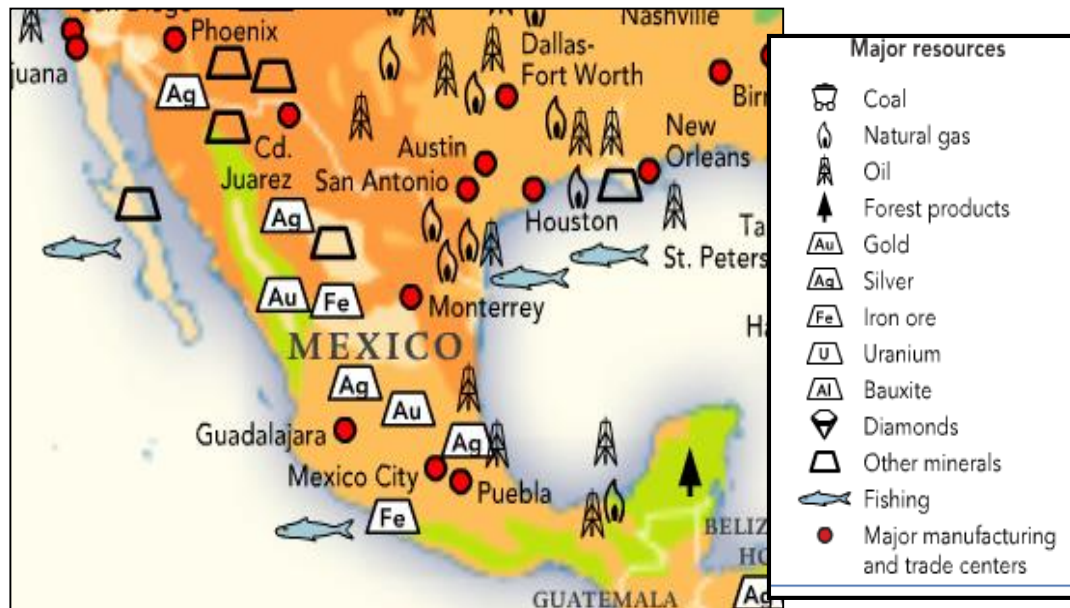


Mexico: Location & Climate

- Since most of its climate is dry with little rainfall, the majority of its land is unsuitable for farming
- Location makes it a great trading partner to the U.S.
- Mexico's oil reserves are also important for many countries

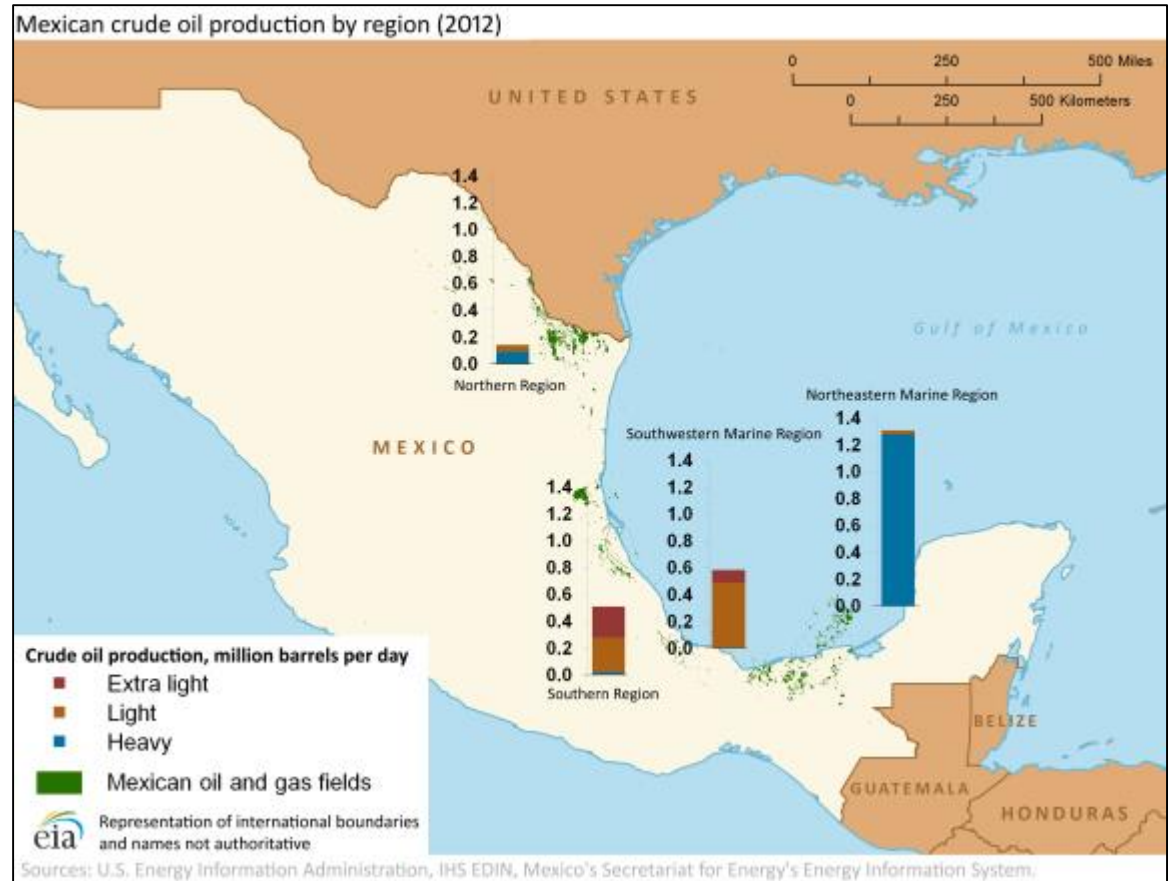
Mexico: Natural Resources

Northern Mexico is rich with minerals like silver, copper, lead, iron, and oil



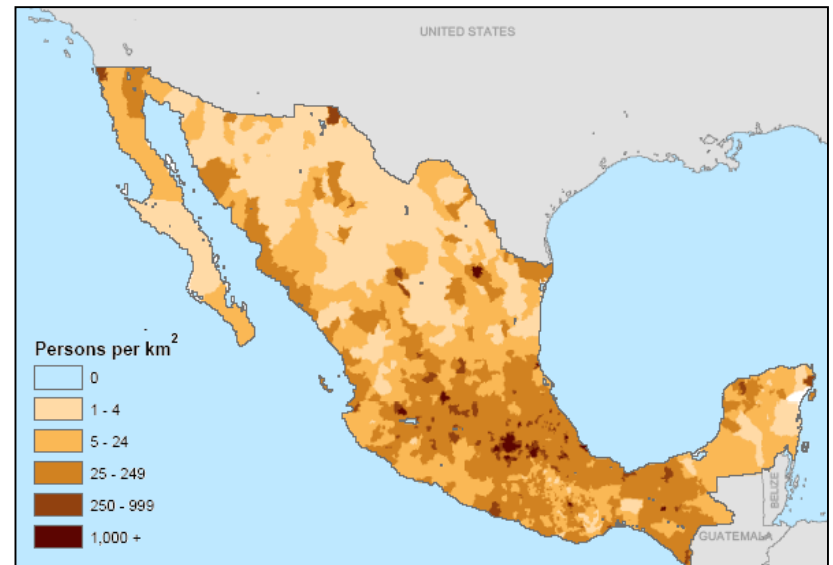
Mexico: Natural Resources

- Oil is the most valuable resource
- Most of the oil is found along the Gulf of Mexico coast



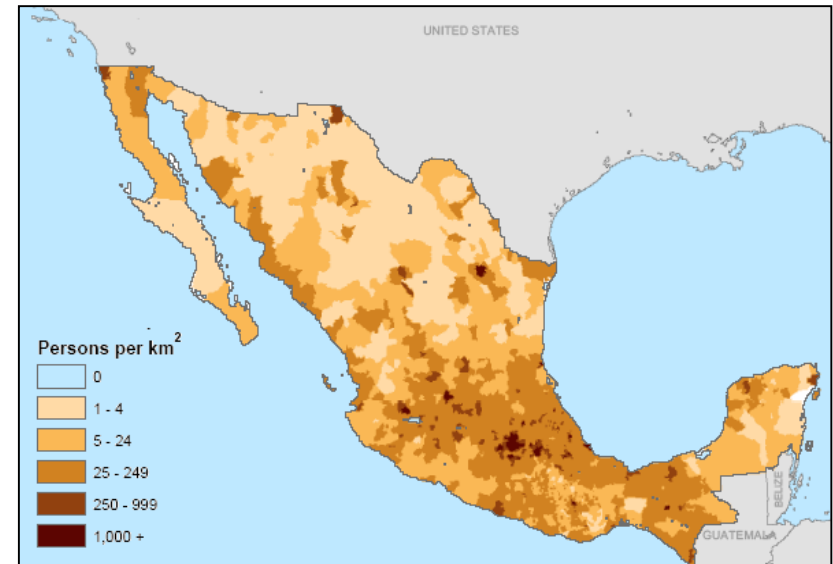
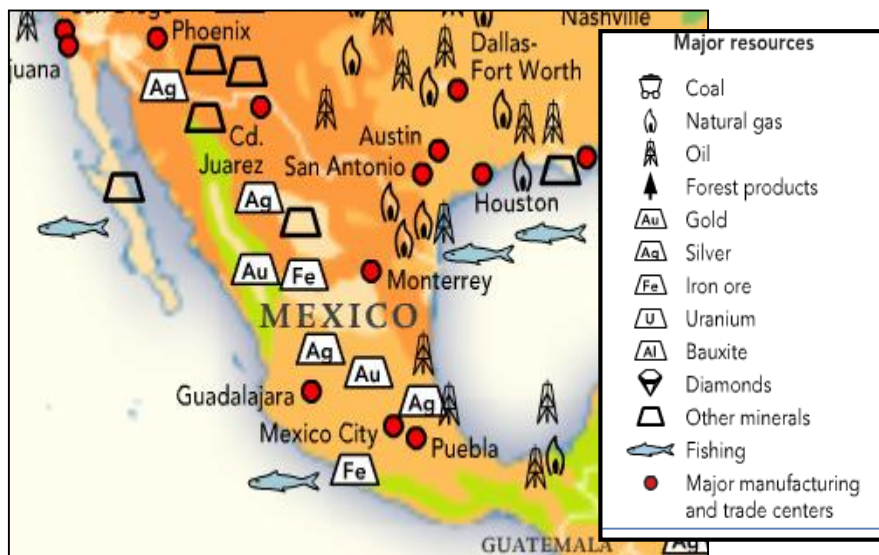
Mexico: Where People Live

Most live in cities (urban areas) in central Mexico to find jobs in factories



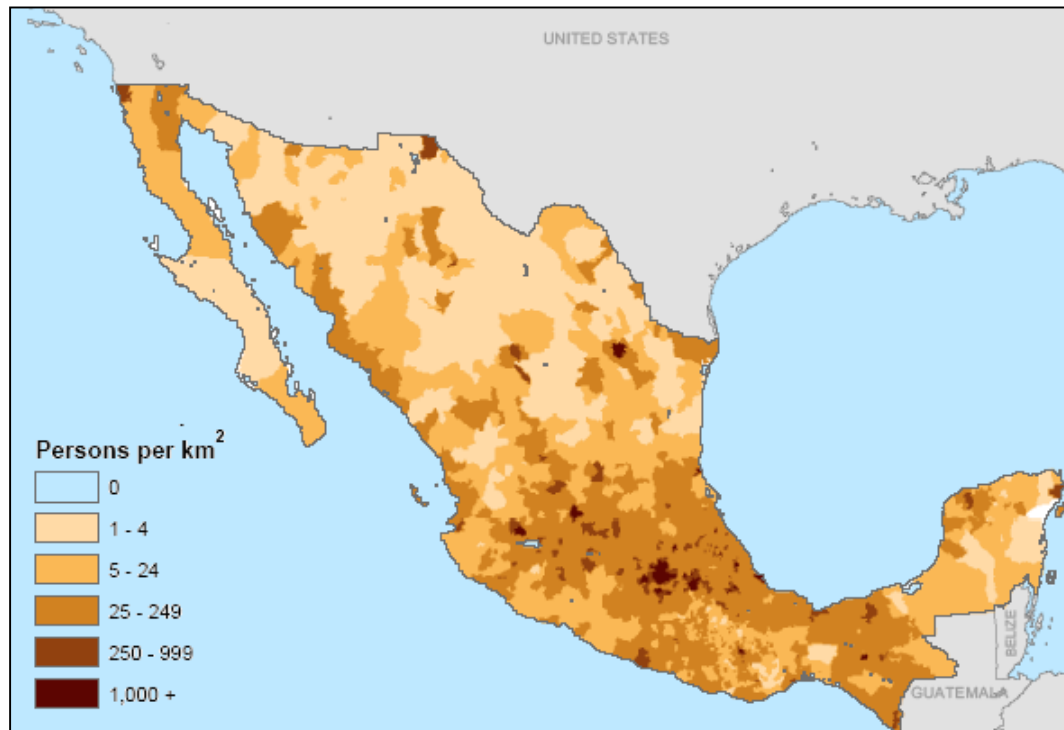
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In areas rich with natural resources,
such as Northern Mexico



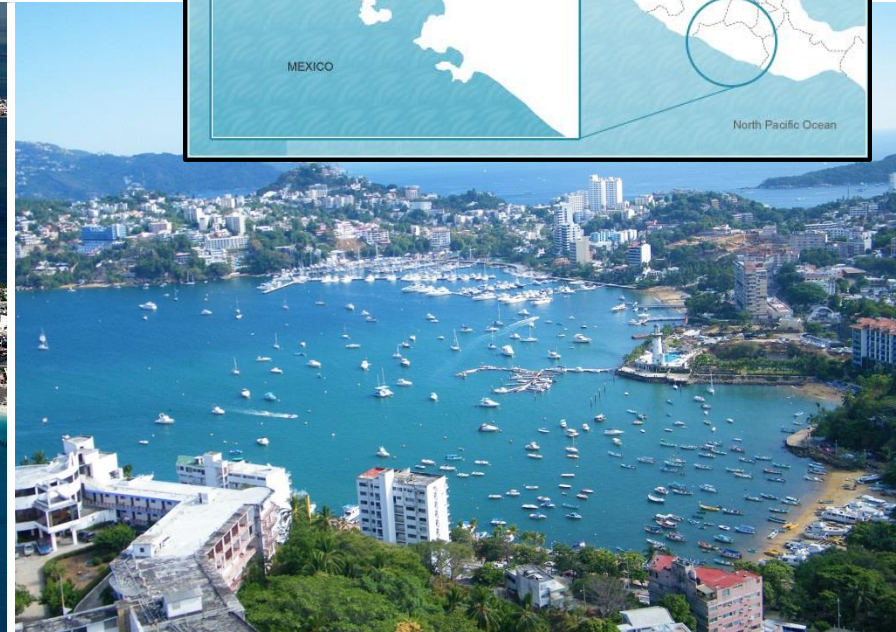
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In towns located close to the U.S. border to work in factories



Mexico: Where People Live

Tourism is very important with resort towns such as Cancun and Acapulco



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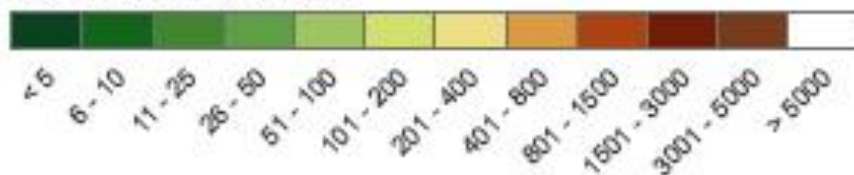
Venezuela

Venezuela: Location & Climate

Many types of landforms from mountains to grassy plains to tropical jungles

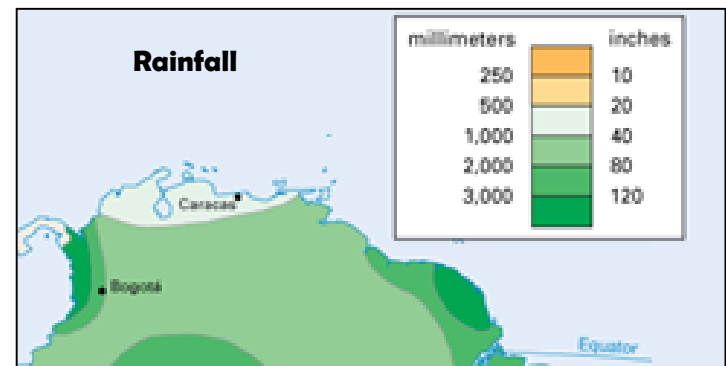
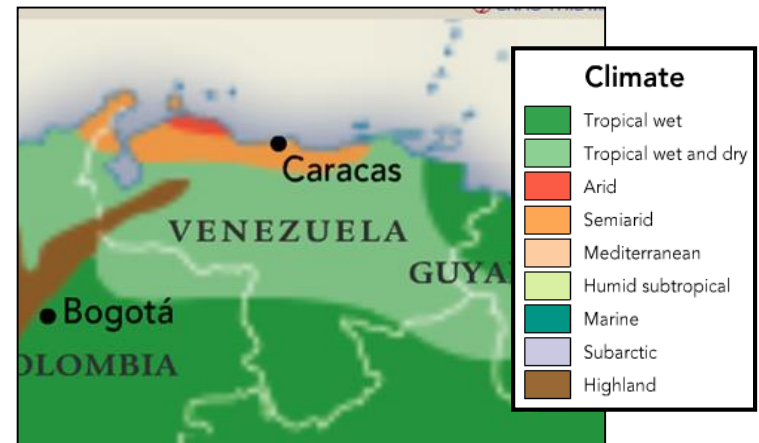


Meters above sea level:



Venezuela: Location & Climate

- Hot and humid climate
- Distinct rainy season



Venezuela: Location & Climate



- Location allows for trade with neighbors such as the U.S., Brazil, and Colombia
- U.S. provides food imports since agriculture is not strong in Venezuela

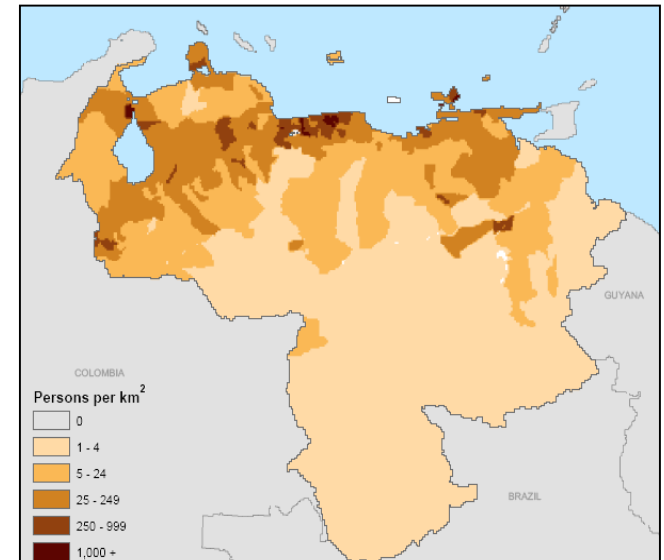
Venezuela: Natural Resources

- Oil is the most important natural resource
- Oil supports its economy and many Venezuelans work in the oil industry.

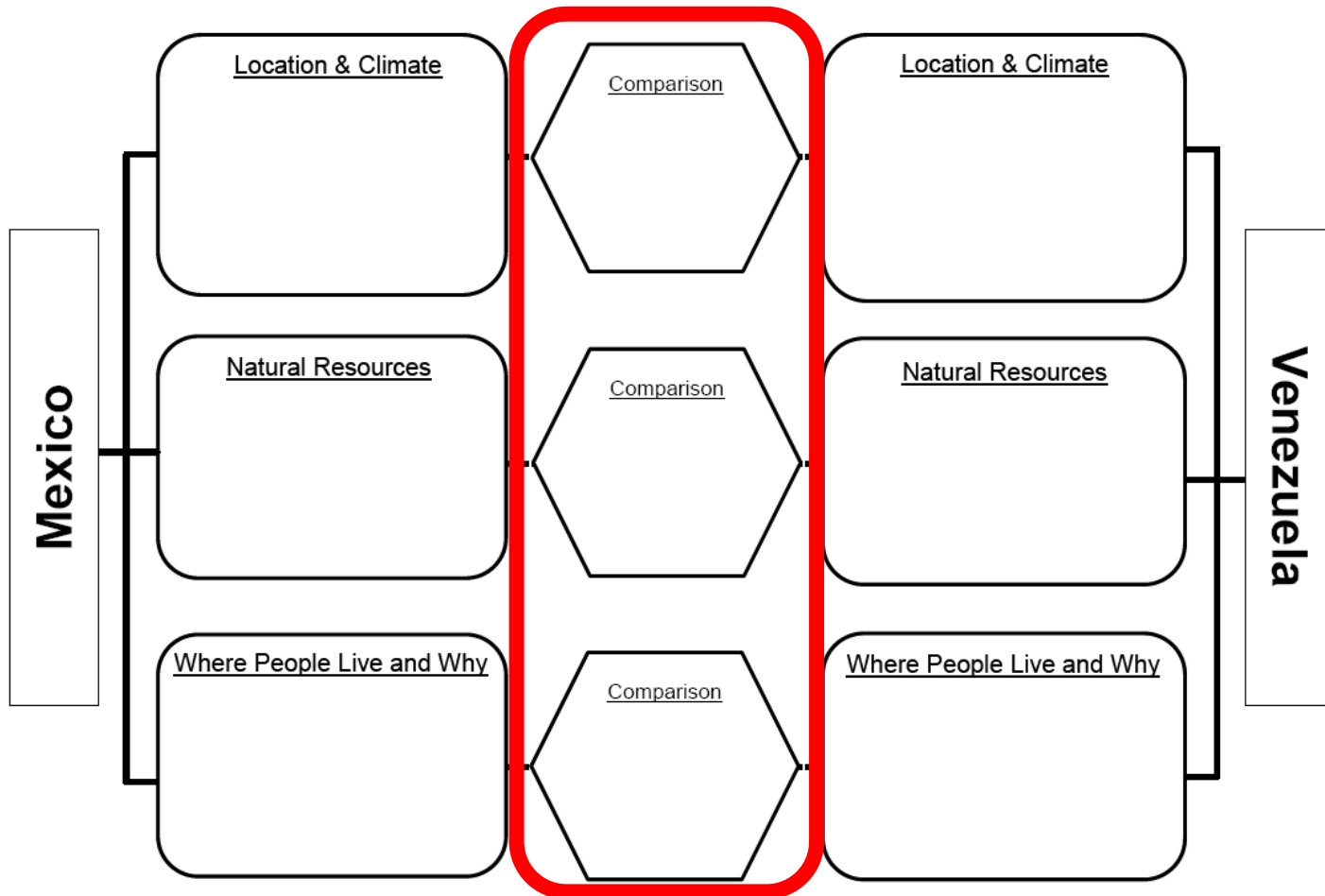


Venezuela: Where People Live

- Most live along the coast of the Caribbean Sea and in the nearby mountain valleys
- Most citizens live in cities (urban areas)



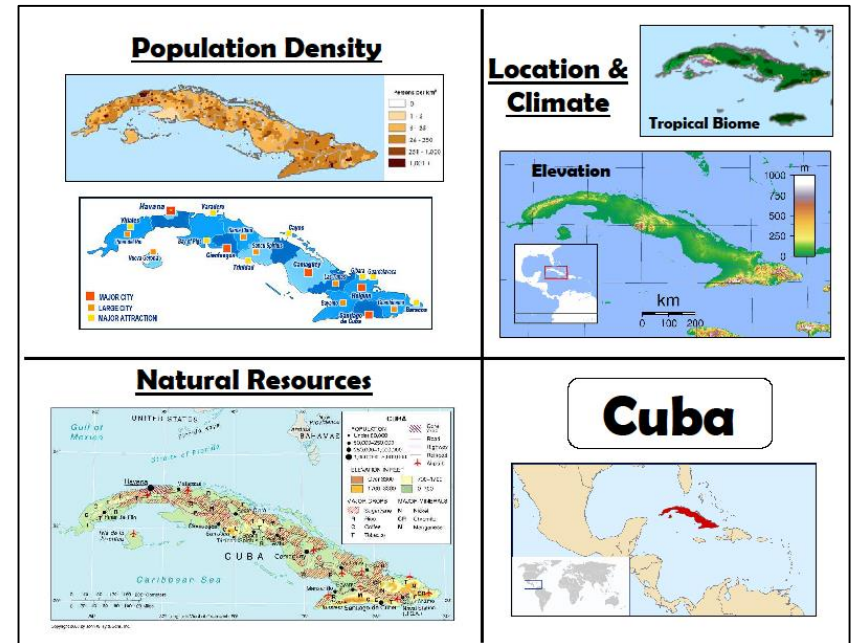
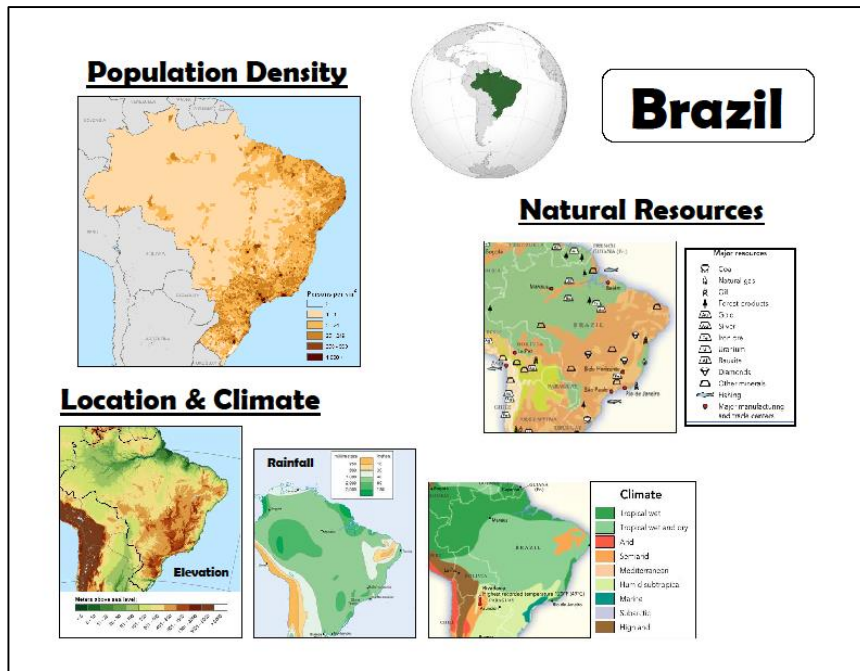
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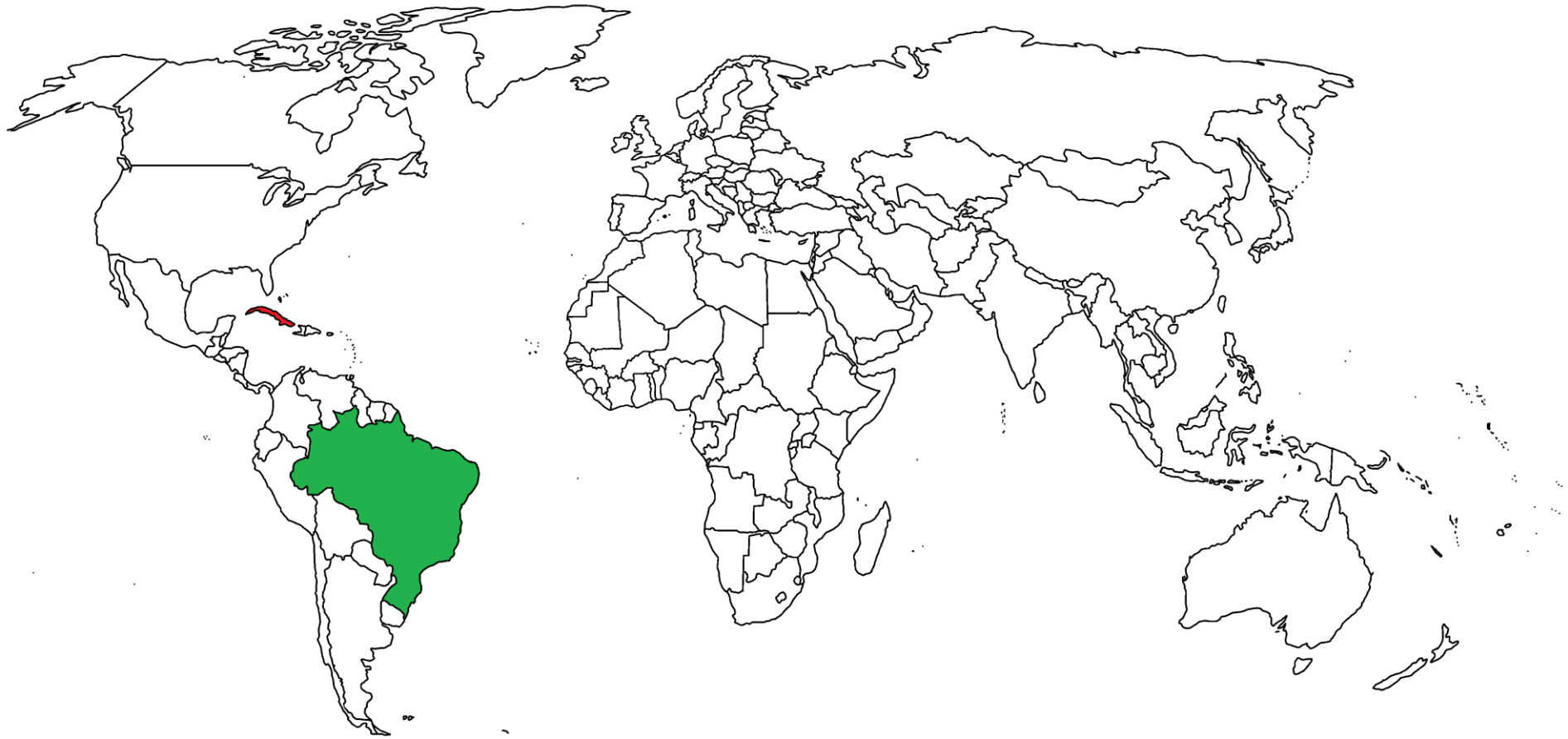
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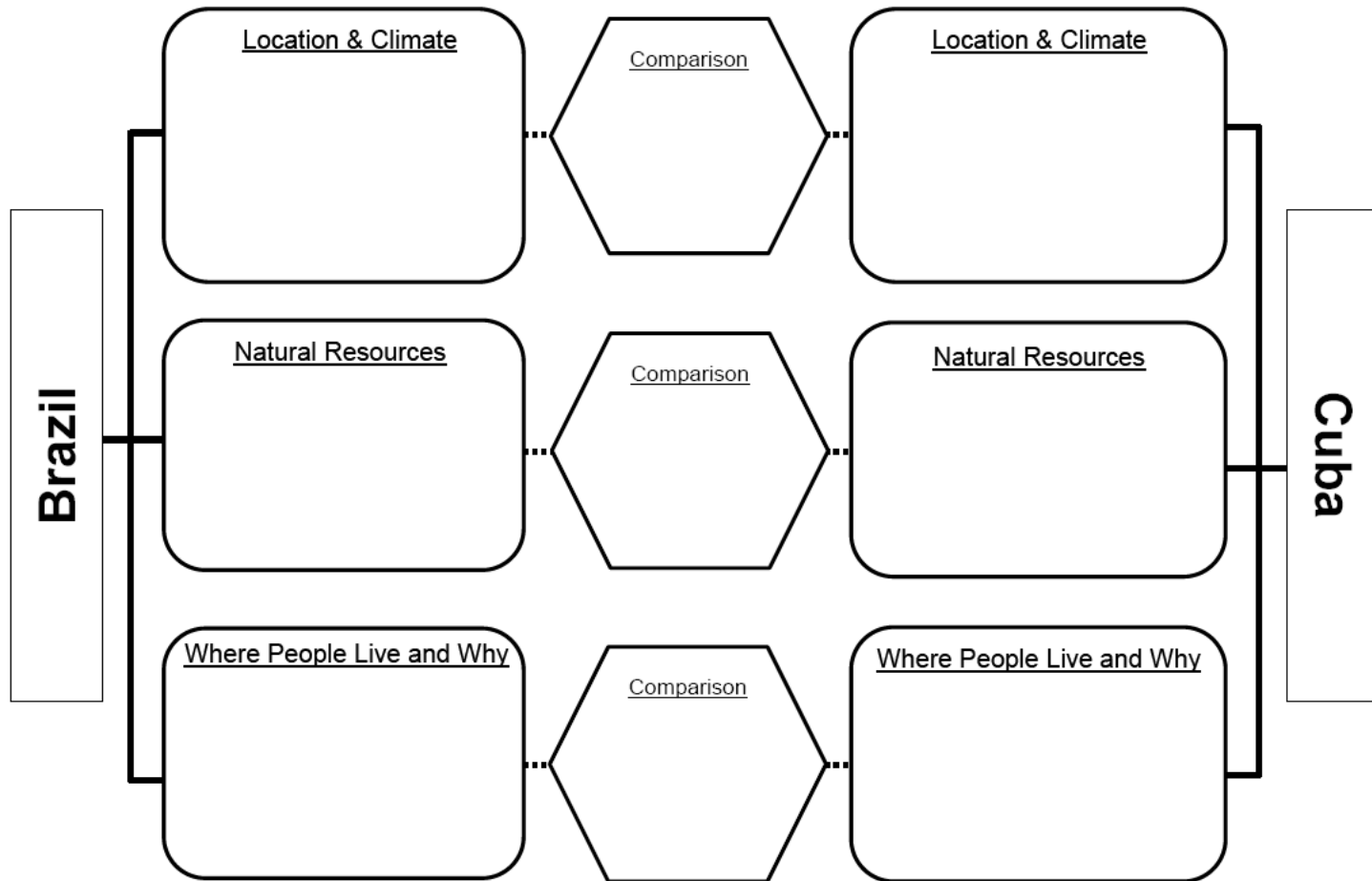
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Brazil

Brazil: Location & Climate

Most of the country has a low elevation



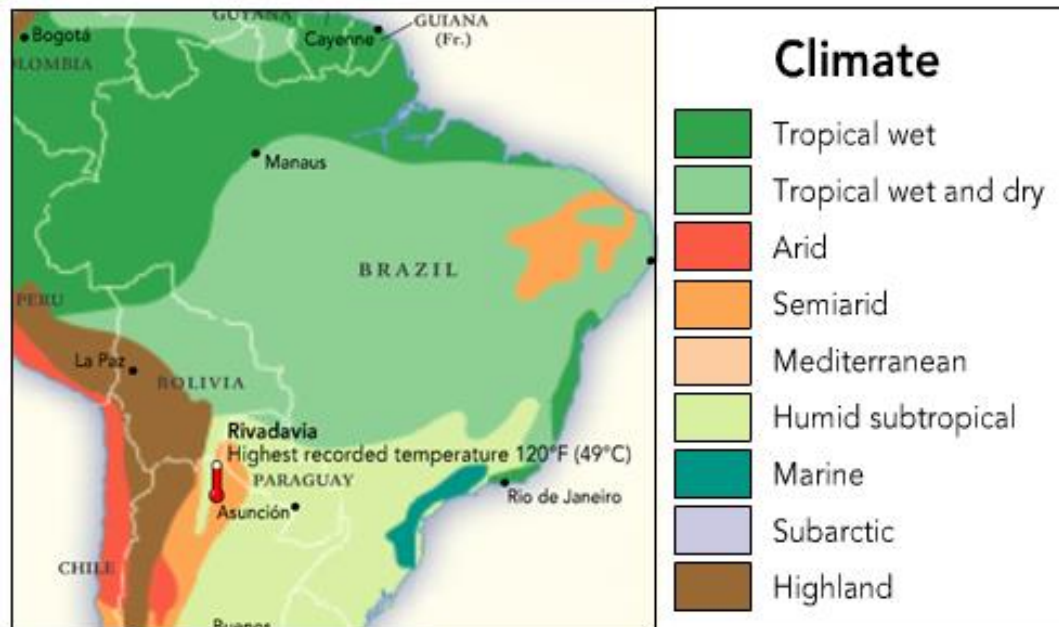
Brazil: Location & Climate

Central area has the huge Amazon rain forest, which covers two-thirds of the country



Brazil: Location & Climate

Warm, humid climate



Brazil: Location & Climate

- Location on the Atlantic Ocean allows it to ship products all over the world
- Its top trading partners are the U.S. and Argentina



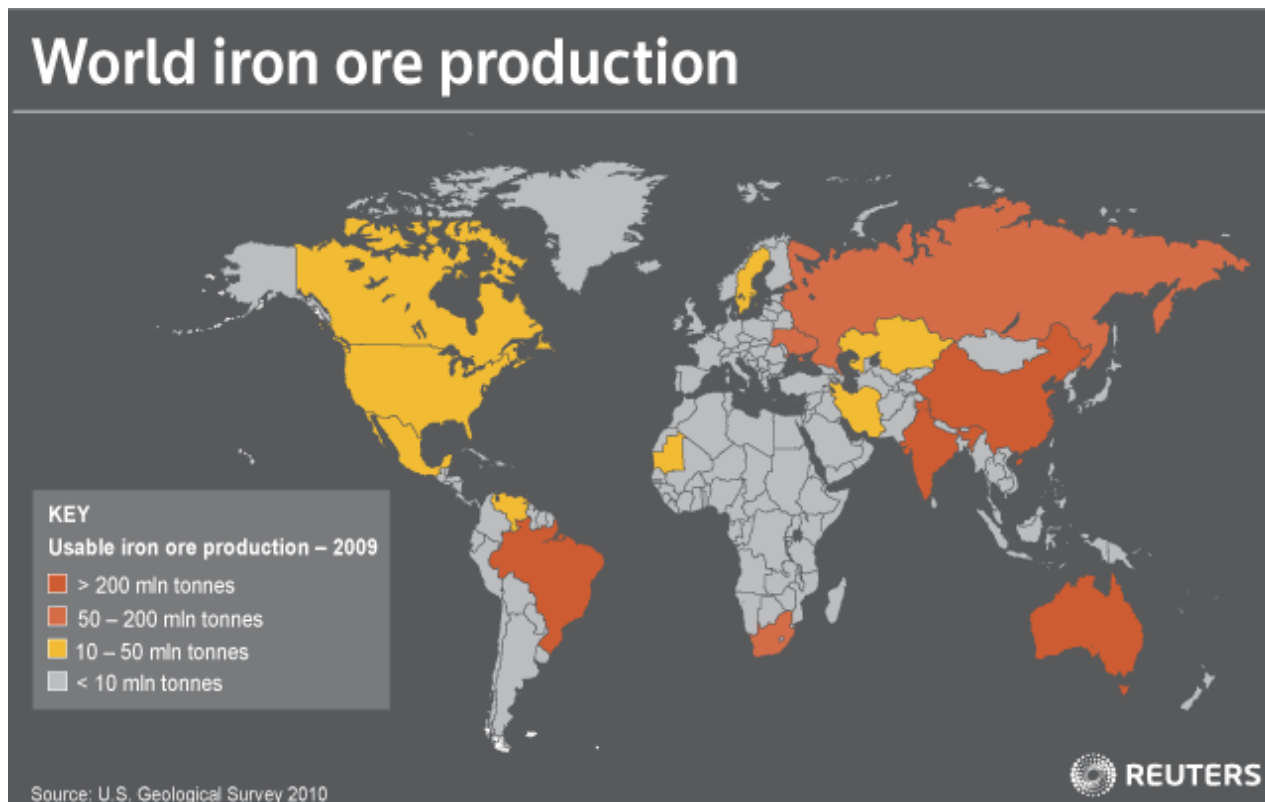
Brazil: Natural Resources

- Climate allows the growth of crops such as sugarcane, coffee beans, and oranges in Southern Brazil
- It's the number one producer of coffee



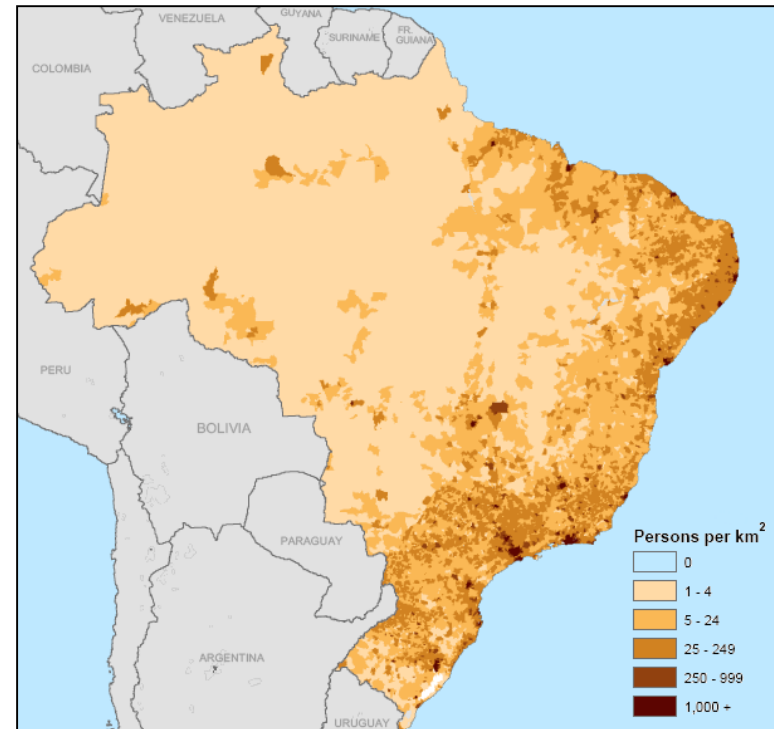
Brazil: Natural Resources

Iron ore has allowed Brazil to produce steel used to make vehicles and other goods for trade



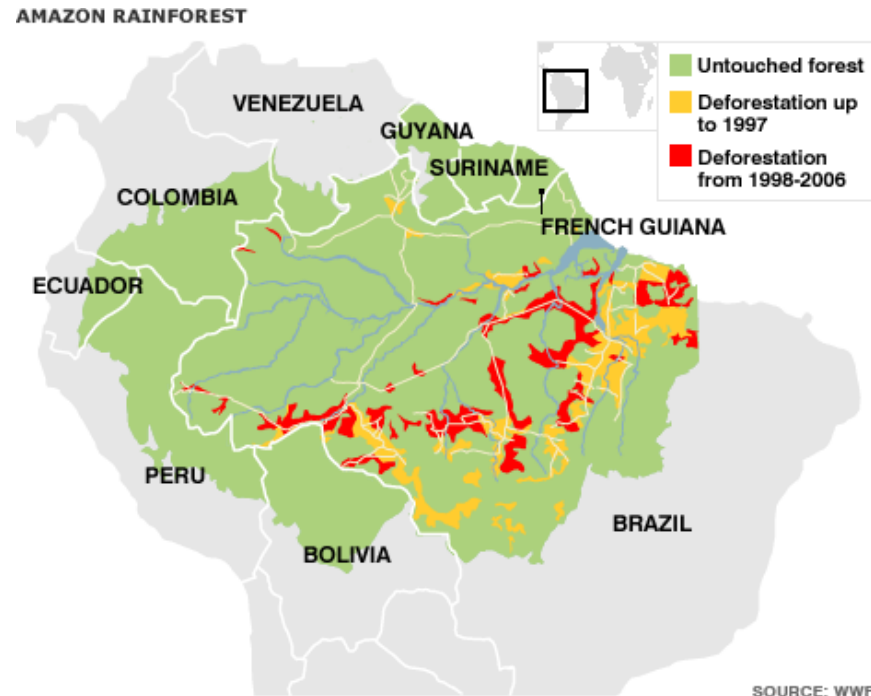
Brazil: Where People Live

- Most live near the Atlantic coast
- Most live in cities (urban areas)



Brazil: Where People Live

In the past the rain forest area was lightly populated, but in recent years the government has developed parts of the rain forest

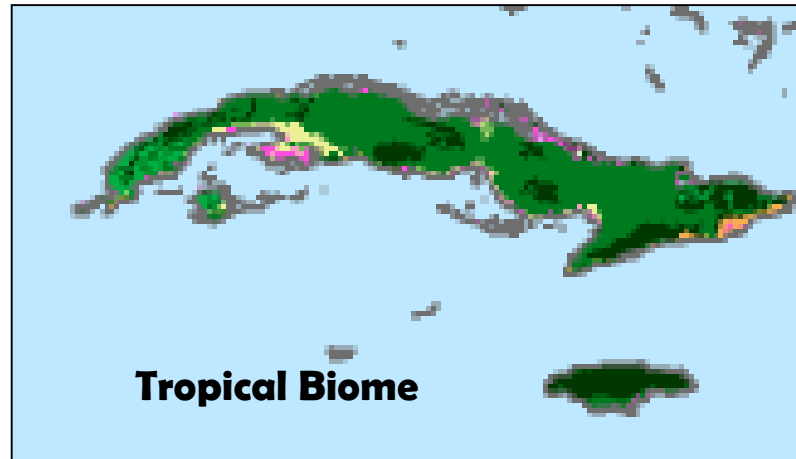




Cuba

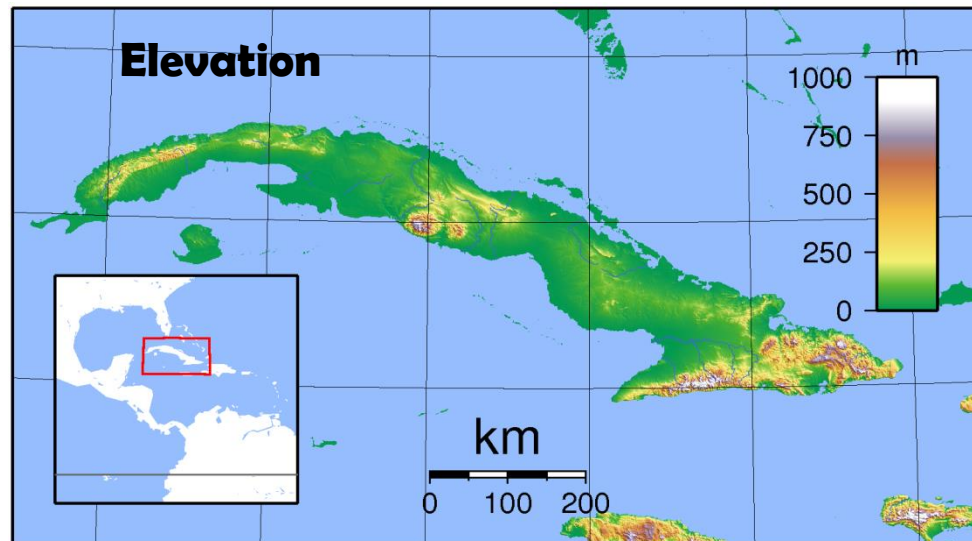
Cuba: Location & Climate

Climate is semi-tropical, with warm, moderate temperatures



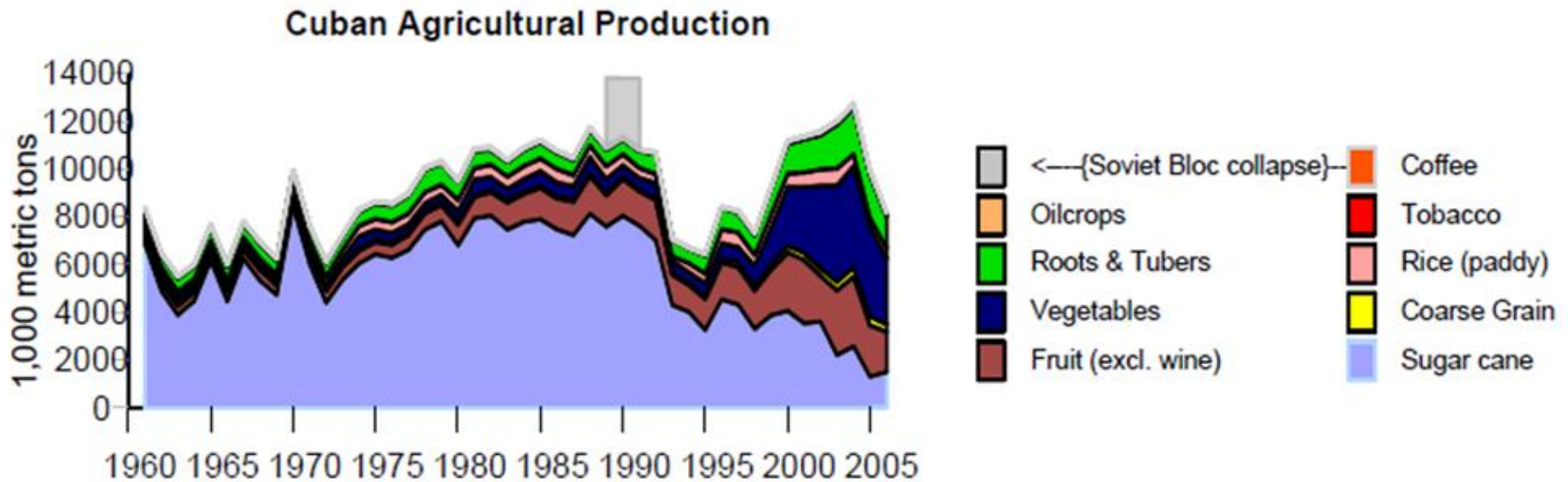
Cuba: Location & Climate

Most of the land is flat to rolling plains, with mountains covering part of the island.



Cuba: Natural Resources

Cuba has rich soil which is good for growing sugarcane, coffee beans, tobacco, and other crops.



Sugar is Cuba's most important product.

Cuba: Natural Resources



Cuba: Natural Resources

Cuba trades heavily with Venezuela and China. Some of its exports are sugar, nickel, tobacco, and fish.

We have not traded with Cuba for decades because the U.S. government put a ban on trade with Cuba because of its Communist government.

<http://www.msnbc.com/andrea-mitchell-reports/watch/us-trade--travel-restrictions-on-cuba-to-end-384776259877> -

News clip discussing change in U.S./Cuba relations

Cuba: Where People Live

Most Cubans live in cities and towns like the capital city of Havana where they might work in factories.

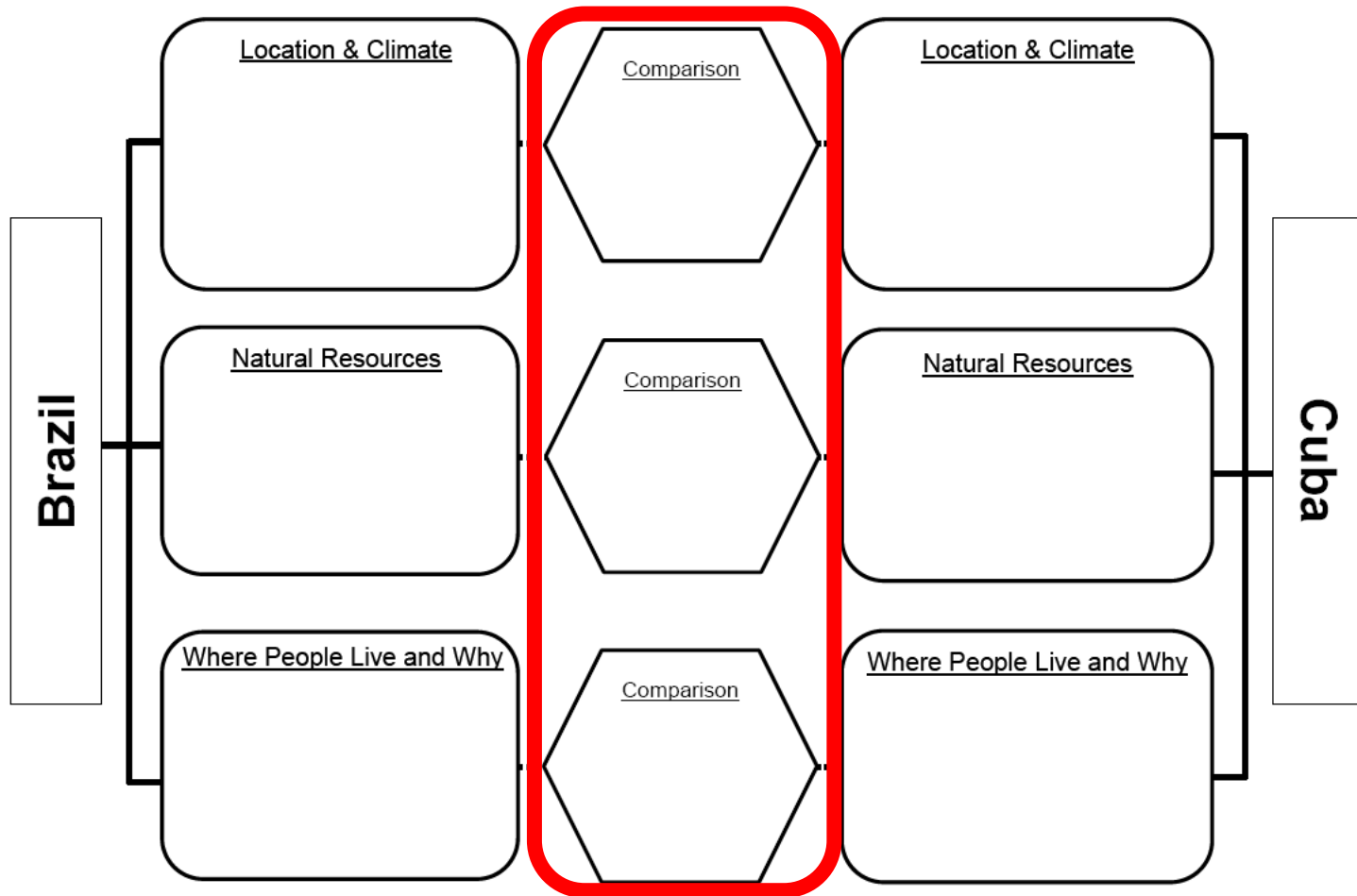


Cuba: Where People Live

Those who live in rural areas may work on farms owned by Cuba's Communist government.



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