Essential Question: Where are the major physical features and nations of Latin America located?



Standards:

SS6G1 Locate selected features of Latin America.

a. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map: Amazon River, Amazon Rainforest, Caribbean Sea, Gulf of Mexico, Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean, Panama Canal, Andes Mountains, Sierra Madre Mountains, and Atacama Desert.

b. Locate on a world and regional political-physical map the countries of Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Mexico, and Panama.

Latin America

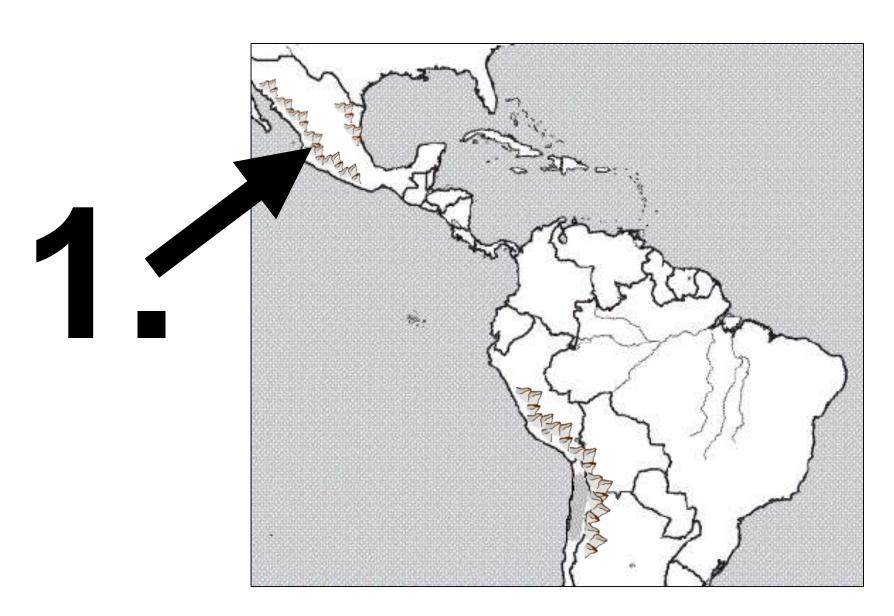




Use the Latin America Physical Features Map

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Sierra Madre Mountains





Sierra Madre Mountains: Main mountain range in Mexico with three major chains

Gulf of Mexico





Gulf of Mexico.

Arm of Atlantic Ocean; Mississippi River and Rio Grande are two major rivers that flow into the Gulf of Mexico

Caribbean Sea

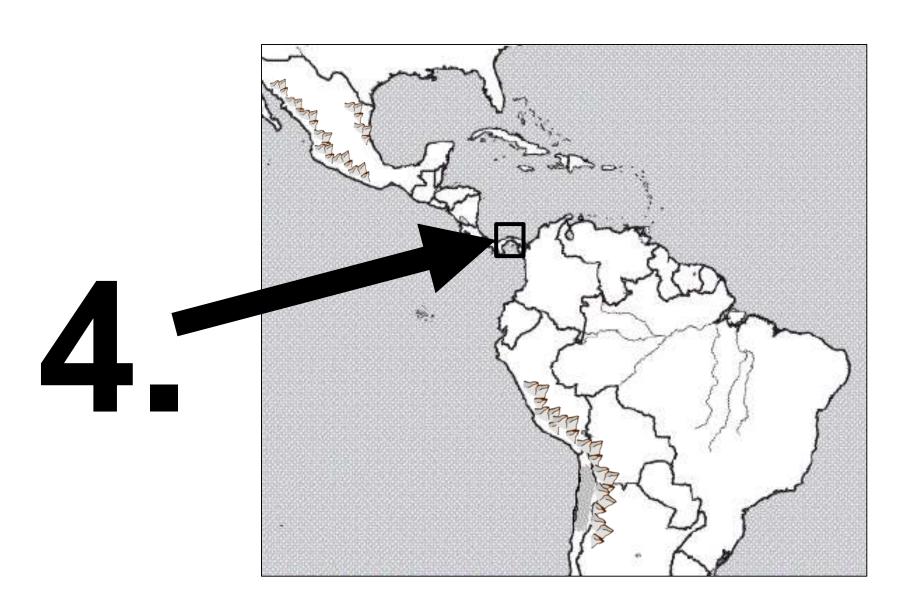


Caribbean Sea.

Arm of the Atlantic Ocean; popular tourist attraction due to beautiful beaches and mild tropical climate



Panama Canal

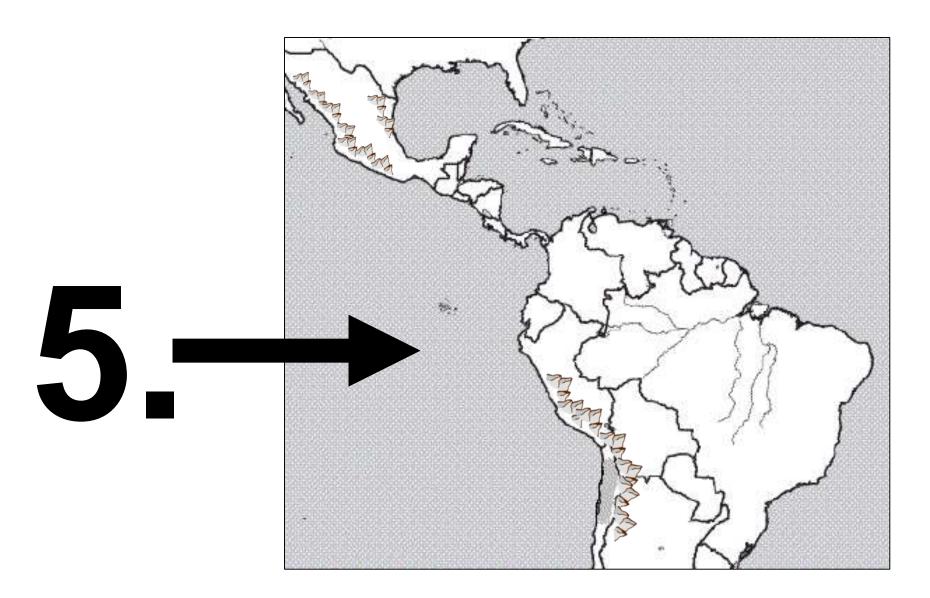


Panama Canal:

Canal built to allow ships to travel easily between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.



Pacific Ocean

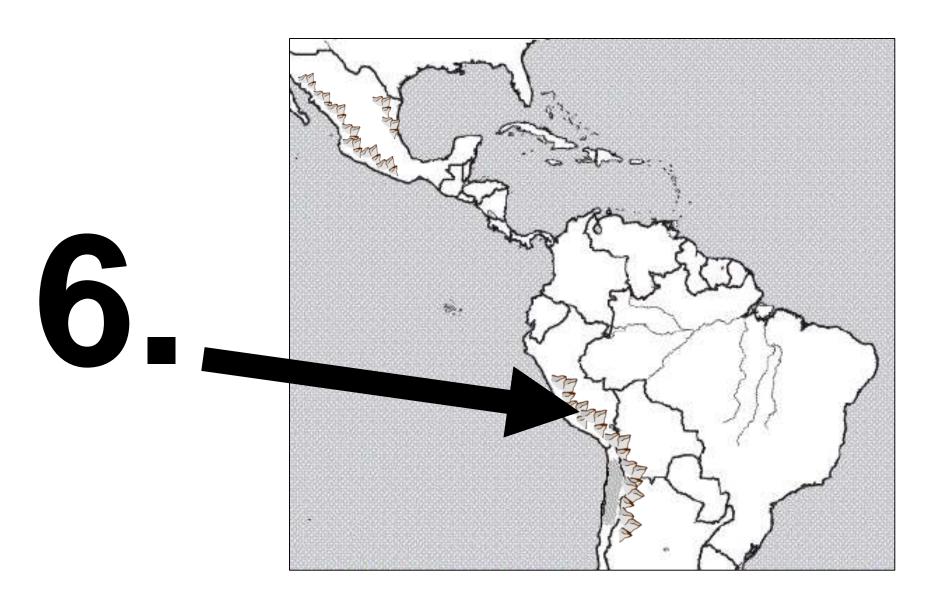


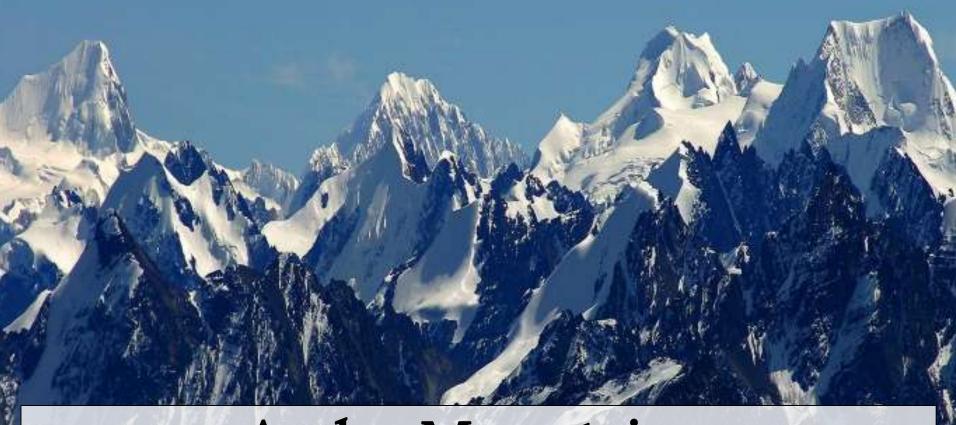
Pacific Ocean:

Largest and deepest ocean; larger than the total land area of the world



Andes Mountains

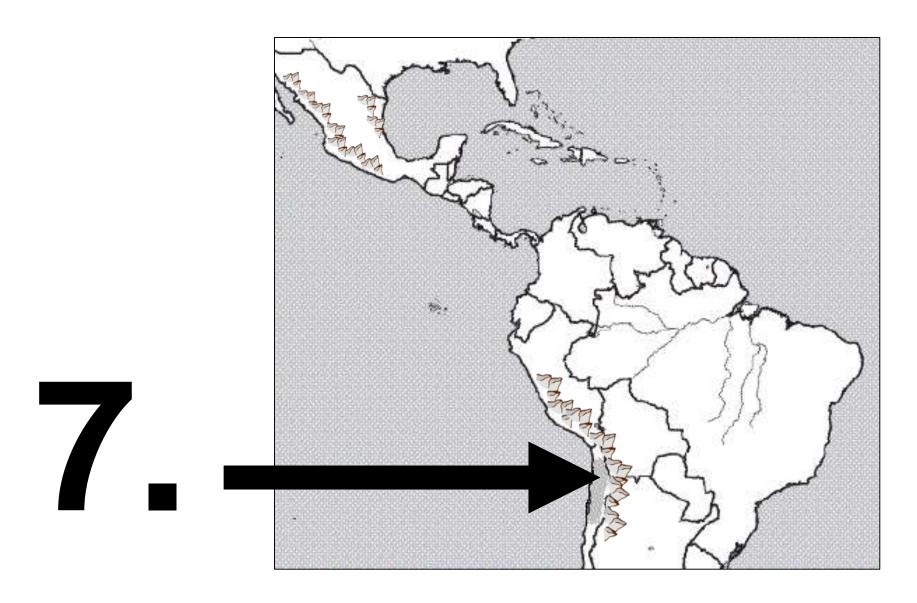


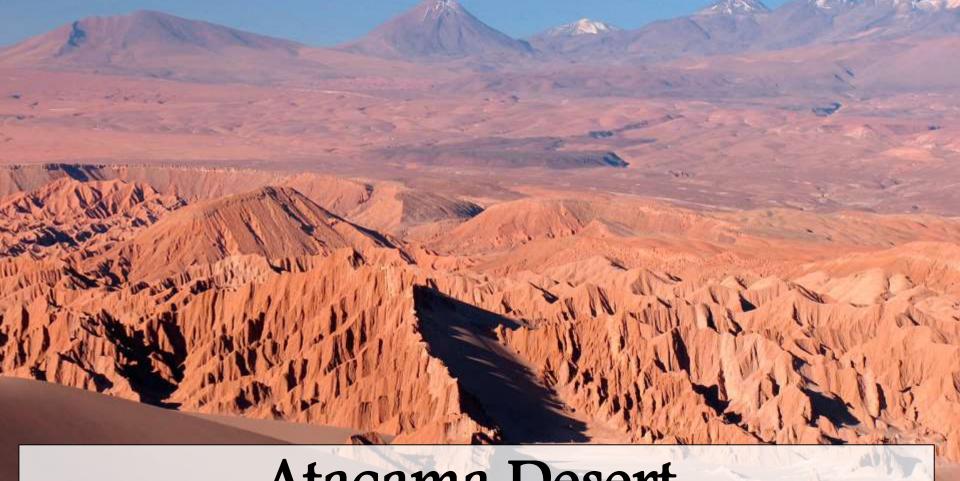


Andes Mountains:

Chain along the western edge of South America that is the longest continuous mountain range in the world

Atacama Desert





Atacama Desert:

Driest place on earth; high elevation along coast of Chile; average temperature is actually chilly; parts have never had rain

Amazon River



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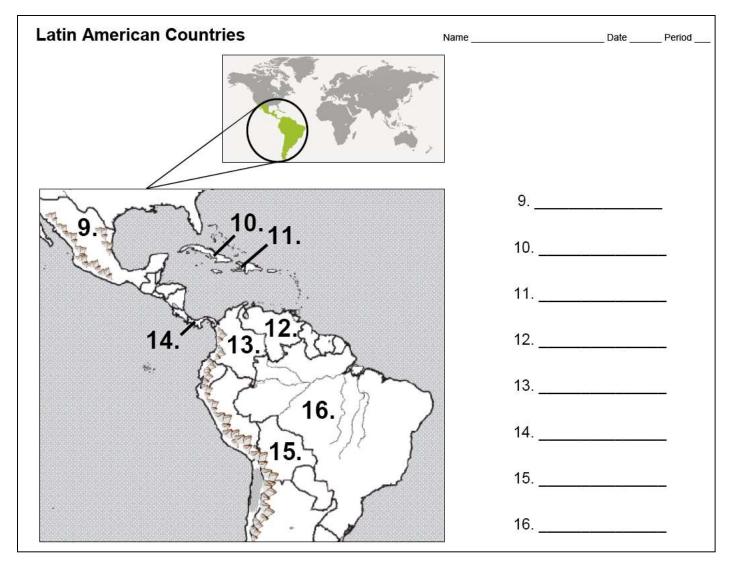
Second longest river in the world; flows mostly through Brazil; carries the greatest volume of water of any river



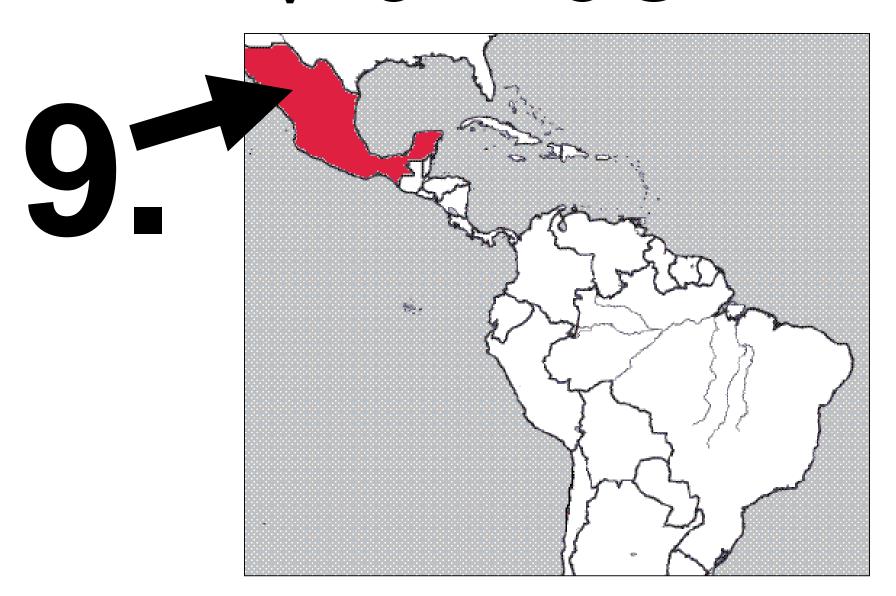
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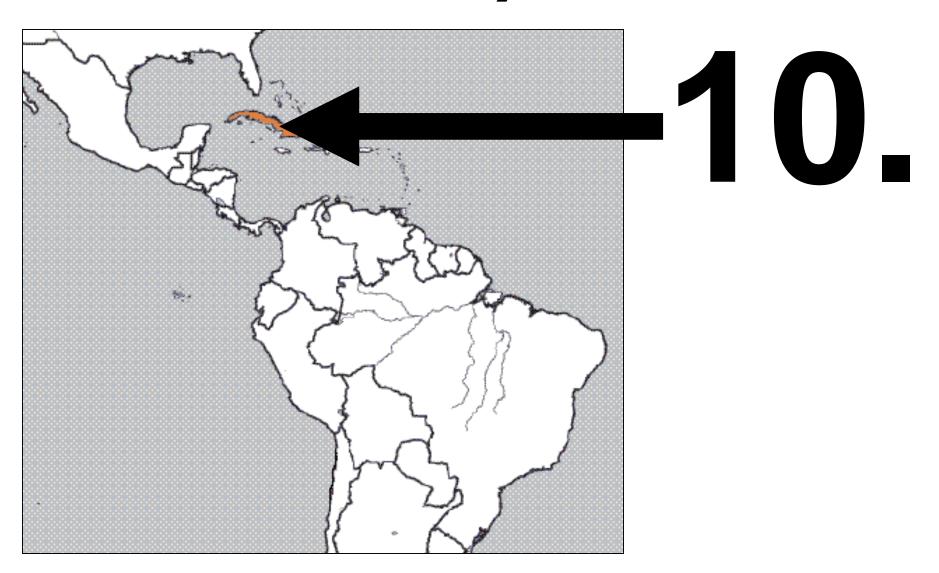
Use the Latin American Countries Map



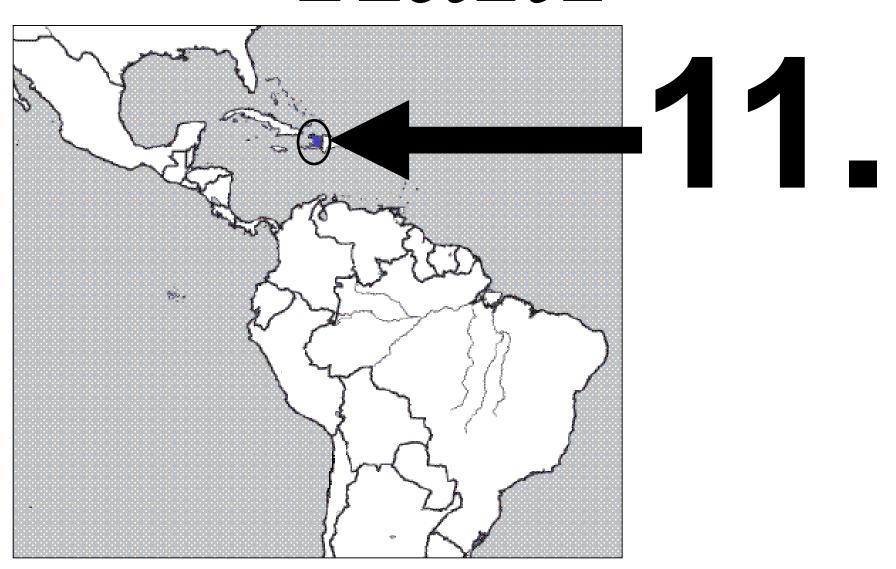
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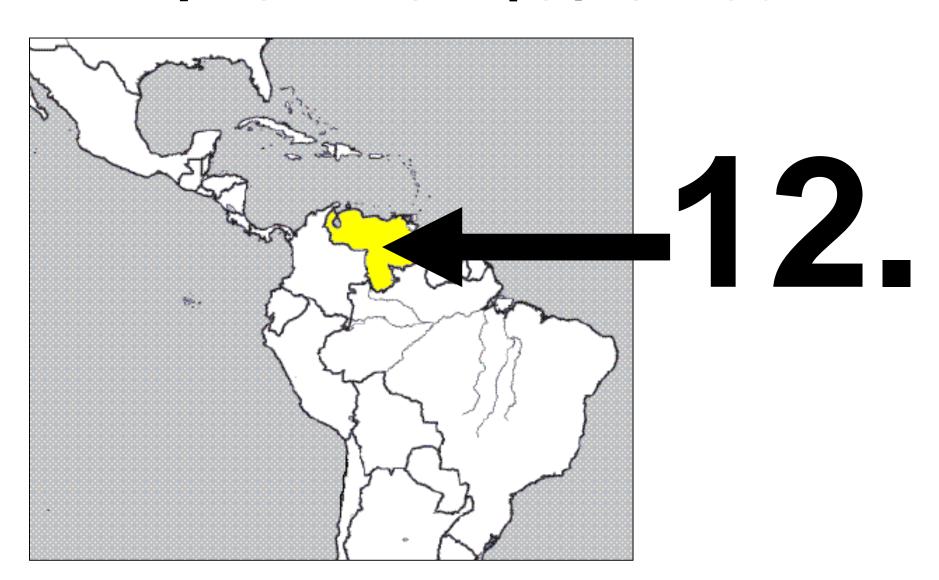
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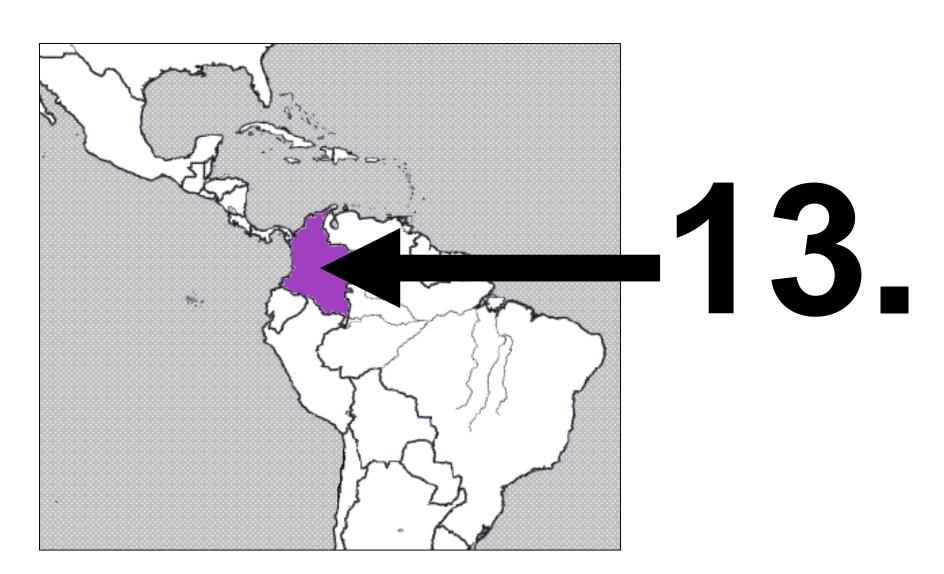
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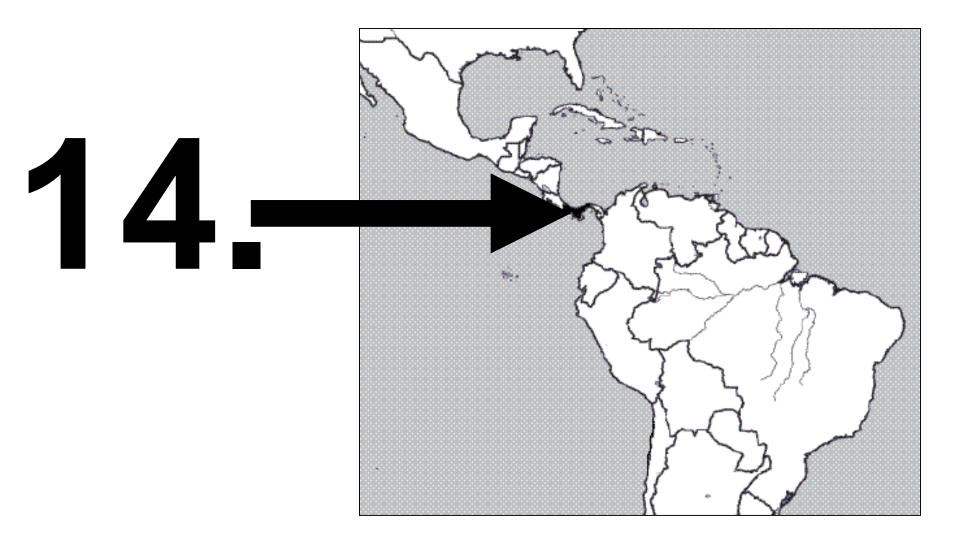
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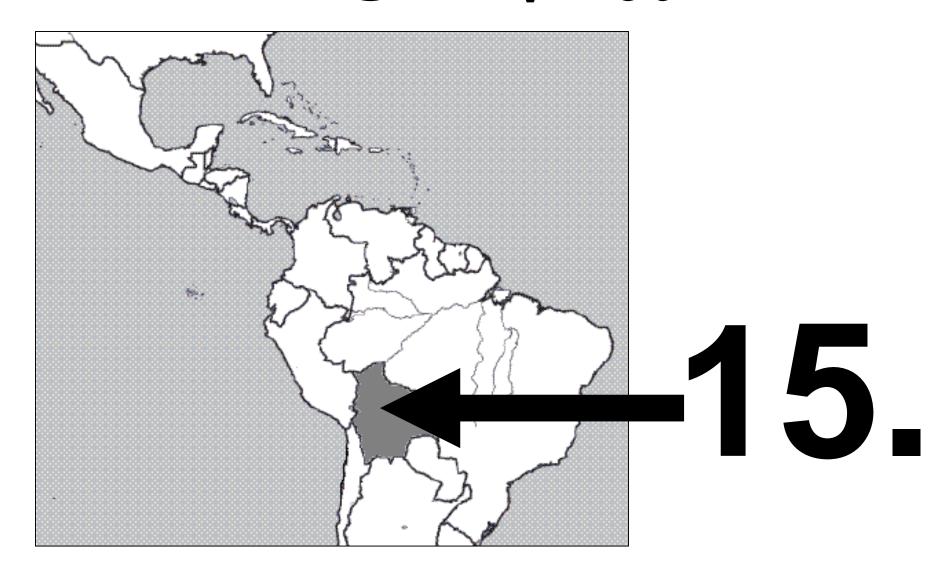
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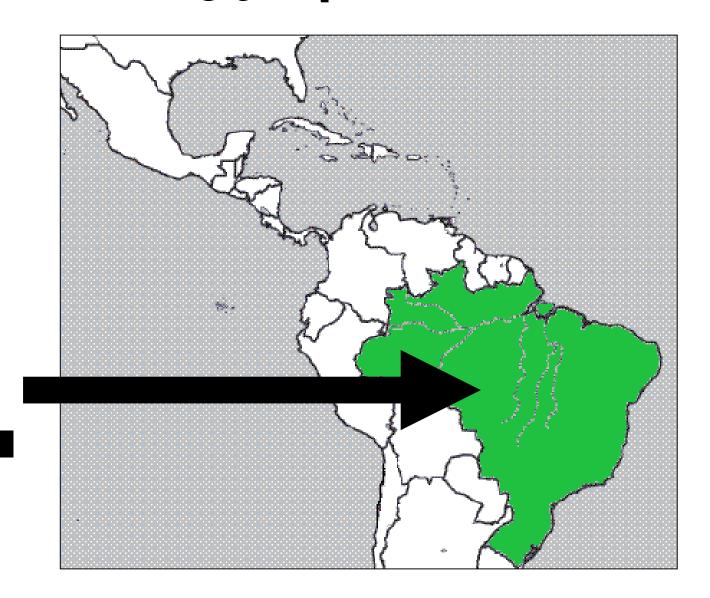
Panama



Bolivia



Brazil



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