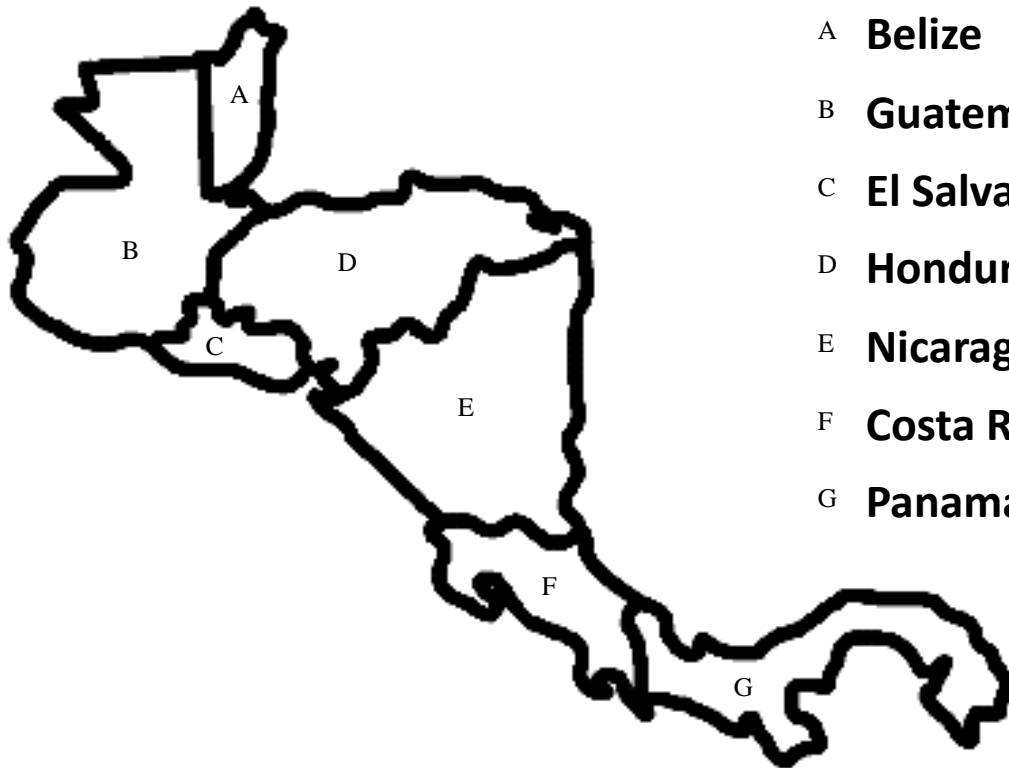


Central American Countries

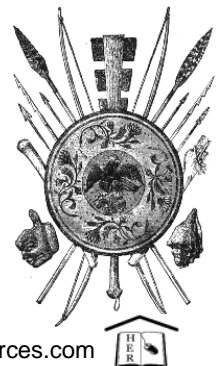
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- G **Panama**

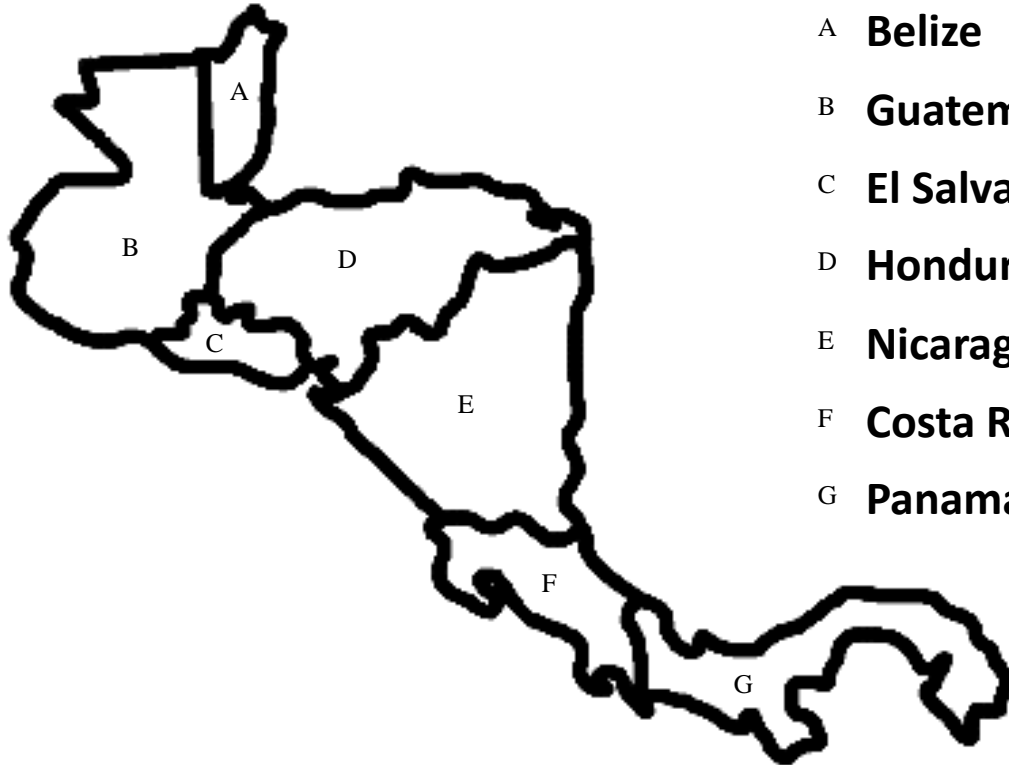
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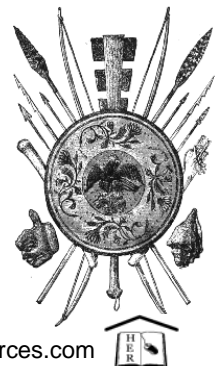
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Answer the following questions. Use an atlas if necessary.

1. What country borders Guatemala to the west?
Mexico
2. What country borders Panama to the east?
Colombia
3. What body of water is to the southwest of Central America?
Pacific Ocean
4. What body of water is to the northeast of Central America?
Caribbean Sea
5. What ancient civilization once lived in Central America?
Aztecs



Central America

Match each item on the left to its description on the right, then find the items in the puzzle below.

- Tikal _____
- Nicaragua _____
- quetzal _____
- cordilleras _____
- Caribbean _____
- Pacific _____
- Gatun _____
- platanos _____
- soccer _____
- Fort George _____
- Costa Rica _____

- A. Ocean to the west of Central America
- B. Fried bananas
- C. British outpost built in Belize in 1803
- D. Lake forming part of the Panama Canal
- E. Mayan ruins in northern Guatemala
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- J. National bird of Guatemala
- K. Large lake in southern Nicaragua



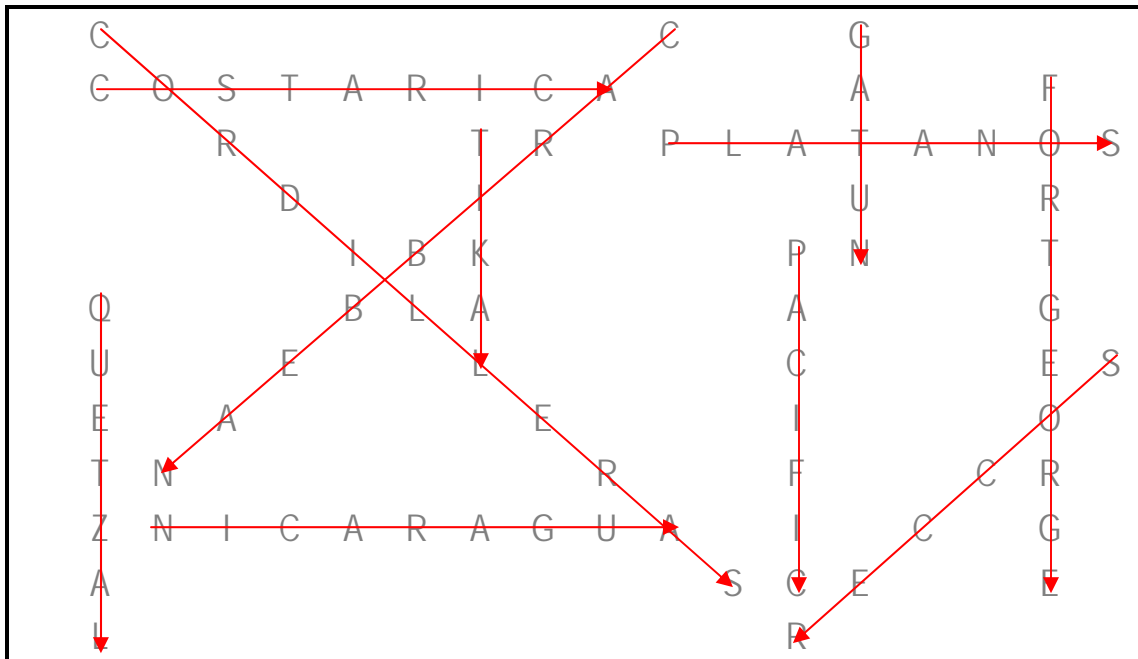
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After finding all eleven words in the puzzle, the letters that are left will spell out one dozen items that Central America exports to other parts of the world. What are they?



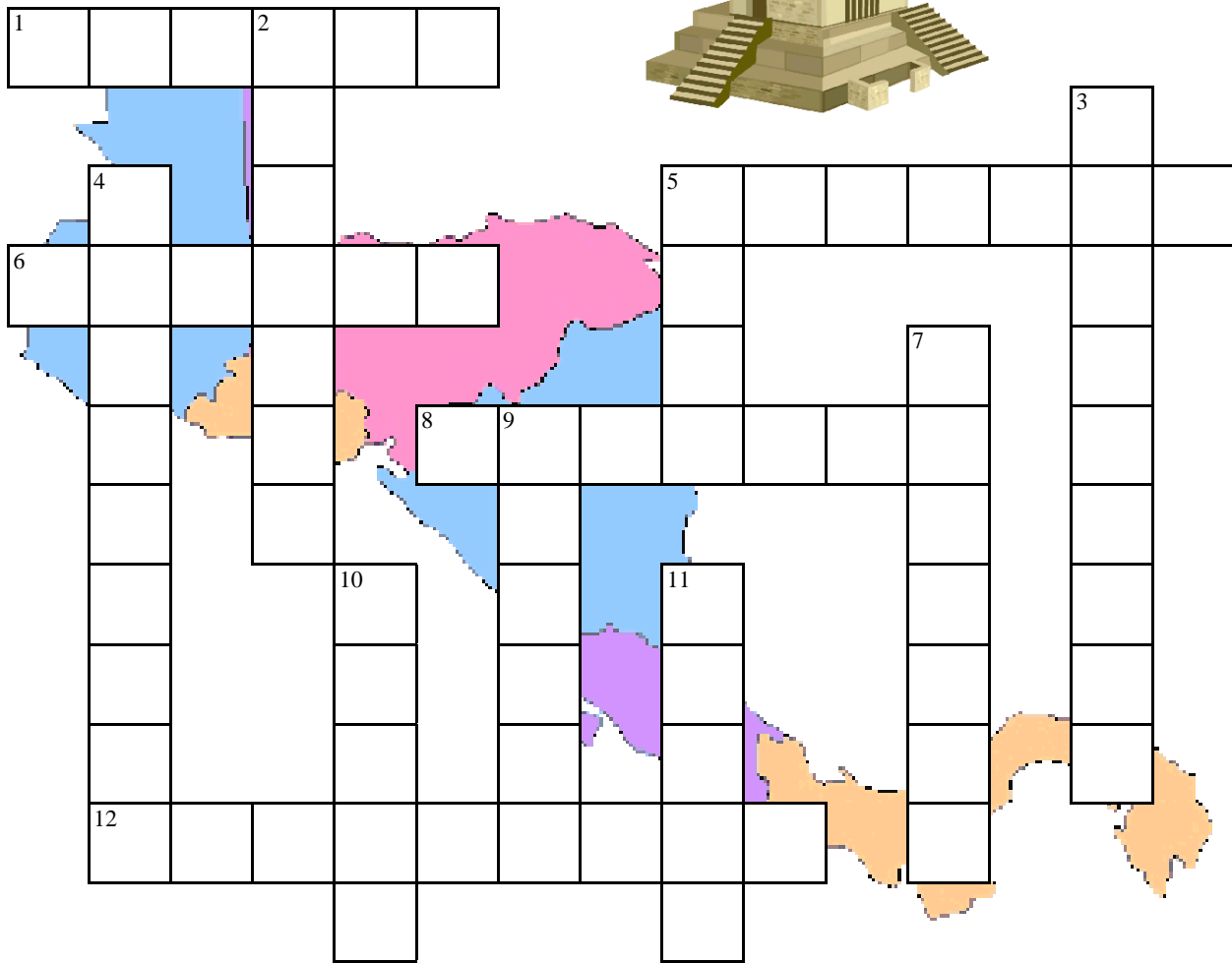
Central America

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Dozen items exported from Central America (using leftover letters, from top of puzzle):
 Sugar Cane, Molasses, Clothing, Coffee, Beef, Bananas, Cotton, Textiles, Cardamon, Shrimp,
 Timber, Rice





Central America

ACROSS

1. Large lake in Guatemala, just south of Belize
5. Longest river in Guatemala
6. Central American country closest to South America
8. Panama includes about 800 of these
12. Large lake in southern Guatemala

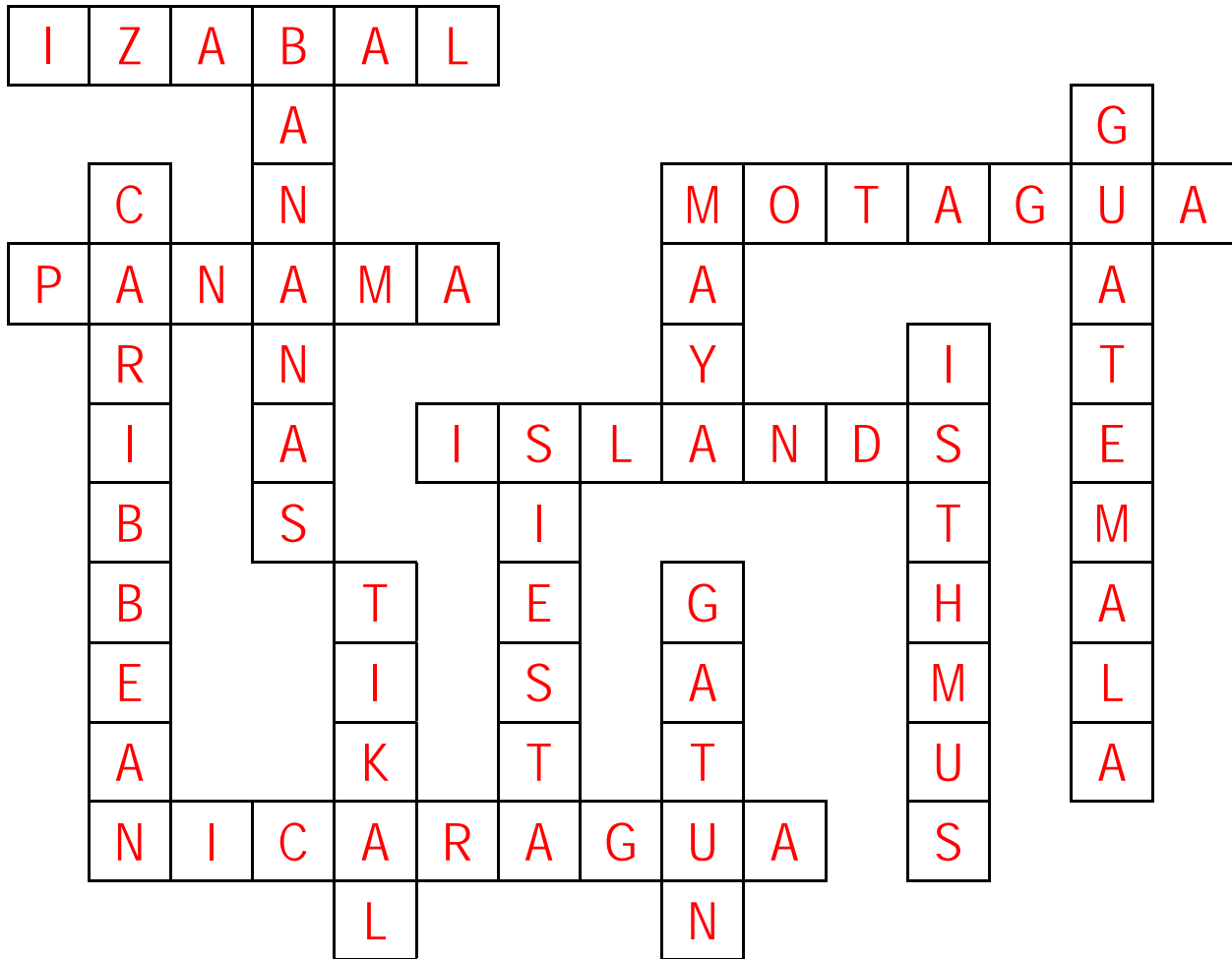


DOWN

2. A major export from Central America
3. Central American country with the longest Mexican border
4. Sea to the northeast of Central America
5. Native Americans of Belize and Guatemala
7. Type of landmass that makes up the country of Panama
9. An afternoon nap in parts of Central America
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Searching Costa Rica

Find each word in the puzzle, then write the leftover letters in order, top to bottom and left to right, to complete the message.



Costa Rica is known for its

_____.

its _____, and

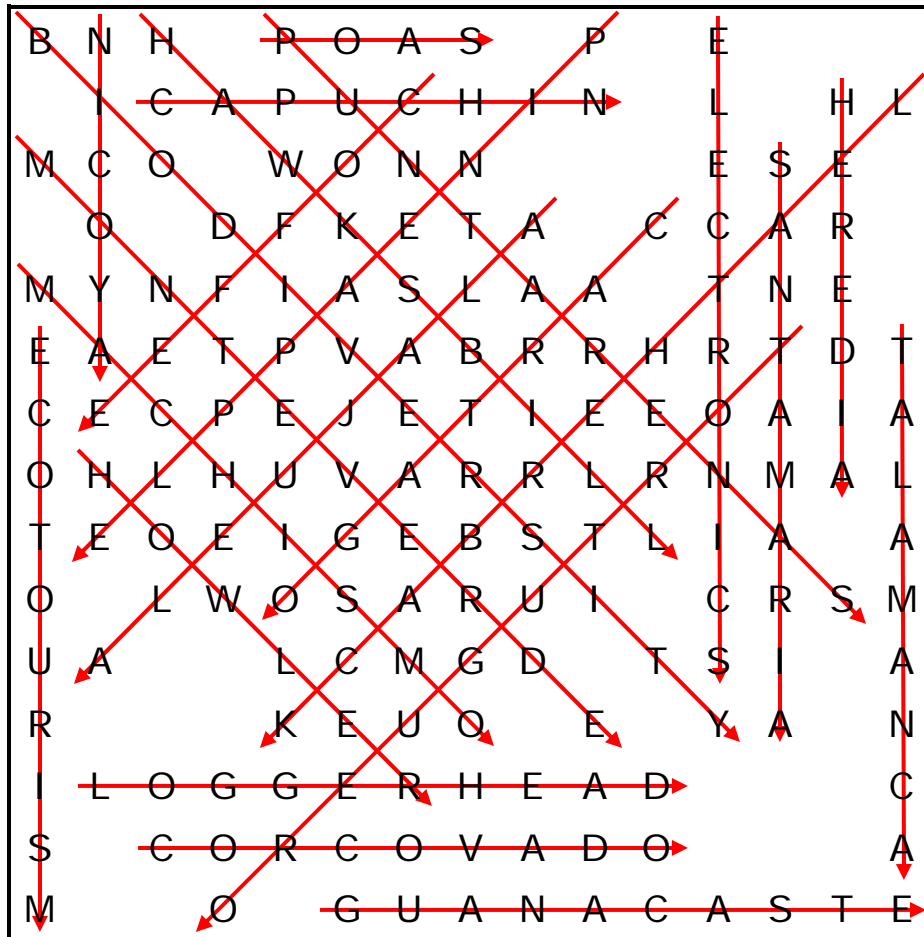
its _____, of which

the Corcovado and the Tortuguero are the most famous.



Searching Costa Rica KEY

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- ALAJUELA
- ARIAS
- BIODIVERSITY
- CAPUCHIN
- CARTAGO
- COFFEE
- CORCOVADO
- ECOTOURISM
- ELECTRONICS
- GUANACASTE
- HAWKSBILL
- HEREDIA
- HOWLER
- LEATHERBACK
- LOGGERHEAD
- MACHISMO
- MONTEVERDE
- NICOYA
- PINEAPPLE
- POAS
- PUNTARENAS
- SANTAMARIA
- TALAMANCA
- TORTUGUERO

Costa Rica is known for its

DIVERSE WILDLIFE,

its **FRIENDLY PEOPLE,** and

its **NATIONAL PARKS,** of which

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Countries of the world

Central America, p. 1

Belize

capital: Belmopan

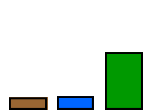
location:
Central America



area: 22,965 km²

pop: 318,000

GDP: \$8,300 /person



currency:
Belizean dollar



government:
parliamentary
democracy



religions:
Catholic,
Protestant



languages:
Spanish, English

Costa Rica

capital: San José

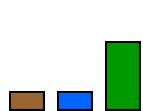
location:
Central America



area: 51,100 km²

pop: 4,727,000

GDP: \$11,500 /person



currency:
colón



government:
democratic
republic



religions:
Catholic,
Evangelical



languages:
Spanish, English

El Salvador

capital: San Salvador

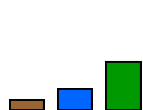
location:
Central America



area: 21,041 km²

pop: 6,227,000

GDP: \$7,600 /person



currency:
U.S. dollar



government:
republic



religions:
Catholic



languages:
Spanish, Nahua

Guatemala

capital: Guatemala City

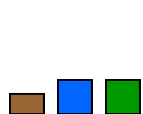
location:
Central America



area: 108,889 km²

pop: 14,740,000

GDP: \$5,000 /person



currency:
quetzal



government:
republic



religions:
Catholic,
Protestant





languages:
Spanish,
Amerindian



Countries of the world

Central America, p. 2

Honduras
 capital: Tegucigalpa
 location: Central America


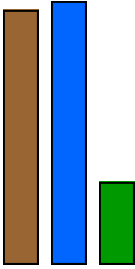



area: 112,492 km²
 pop: 7,755,000
 GDP: \$4,300 /person

currency: **lempira**

government: **republic**
 religions: **Catholic**
 languages: **Spanish, Amerindian**

Mexico
 capital: Mexico City
 location: Southern North America






area: 1,964,375 km²
 pop: 114,793,000
 GDP: \$13,500 /person

currency: **peso**

government: **republic**
 religions: **Catholic, Protestant**
 languages: **Spanish, Indian**

Nicaragua
 capital: Managua
 location: Central America


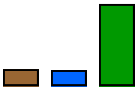



area: 130,000 km²
 pop: 5,870,000
 GDP: \$2,800 /person

currency: **gold cordoba**

government: **republic**
 religions: **Catholic, Evangelical**
 languages: **Spanish**

Panama
 capital: Panama City
 location: Central America

area: 75,517 km²
 pop: 3,571,000
 GDP: \$13,600 /person

currency: **balboa, U.S. dollar**

government: **constitutional democracy**
 religions: **Catholic, Protestant**
 languages: **Spanish, English**




Countries of the world

World, USA, Canada, Australia

World Mid-Points

per country - NOT including the top 10



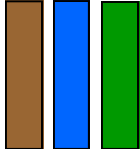
area: 1,100,000 km²

pop: 64,000,000

GDP: \$25,000 /person

NOTE:

Full bars (area, population, GDP) represent **at least twice the world mid-point or "average"** - NOT the highest amount




World shows half-bars, representing "averages"; USA shows full bars: 2+ times the "average".

United States

capital: Washington, D.C.

location: North America



area: 9,826,630 km²

pop: 311,695,000

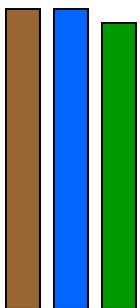
GDP: \$48,100 /person

currency: U.S. dollar

government: republic

religions: Protestant, Catholic


languages: English, Spanish



Canada

capital: Ottawa

location: North America



area: 9,984,670 km²

pop: 34,468,000

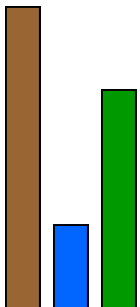
GDP: \$40,300 /person

currency: Canadian dollar

government: parliamentary democracy

religions: Catholic, Protestant


languages: English, French



Australia

capital: Canberra

location: Oceania



area: 7,692,024 km²

pop: 22,670,000

GDP: \$40,800 /person

currency: Australian dollar

government: democracy

religions: Catholic, Anglican

languages: English

