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South America is the world's 4<sup>th</sup> largest continent. It sits below North America



and is surrounded by the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans. The population of South America is approximately 423 million and this continues to grow each year. There are 12 countries in South America. The largest country is Brazil which takes up almost half of the land area and population of the whole continent.

## Key vocabulary



continent



country



climate



biome



physical geography



human geography

# Argentina



**Mountain Ranges:** The Andes mountain range runs along the border with Chile.

**Major Rivers:** The Parana river (4880km long) and the Uruguay river (1838km long).

## Landmarks and Other Physical Features:

- Iguazu falls – These are the largest series of waterfalls in the world.
- Pampas – A huge area of flat grassland in the centre of the country.
- Perito Moreno glacier – This glacier is bigger than Buenos Aires.
- Quebrada de Humahuaca – This is a gorge in north-west Argentina. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

**Climate:** Cold, dry winters and hot, humid summers.

## Key knowledge

**Argentina** is a country situated in the **continent** of **South America**. It covers most of the southern part of the continent. It is also the world's 8<sup>th</sup> largest country.

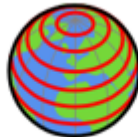
**Buenos Aires** is the capital city of Argentina. It is a multicultural city with a population of nearly 3 million people.

**The Andes Mountain** range is located in Argentina. It is the longest in the world and is home to many remarkable animals, such as tapirs, guinea pigs and bears!

## Key vocabulary



longitude



latitude



capital city



river



Buenos Aires



Spanish



time zone



location



mountain range



landmark



Andes



Iguazu falls