

DISCOVER Colombia



the flag ↷

full name is Republic of Colombia



was part of one big country called *Gran Colombia* that separated into Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela in 1830

Wild Residents:
capybaras, humpback whales, sloths, black spider monkeys



The Andean condor, one of the world's largest flying birds, is the national symbol.



The distance from Washington, D.C., to Bogotá is 2,369 miles or about 7,504,992 hyraxes!



Rock hyraxes can grow up to 20 inches in length.



drinks more fruit juice than most other countries



has a world-champion speed roller-skating team









home to more species of birds (1,900) than any other country

Favorite...

sports: tejo (players throw a puck at a target), baseball
foods: fried plantains, empanadas, arepas, arroz con leche
celebrations: Christmas, Epiphany, Carnival, Easter, All Saints' Day

Stats

	Colombia 	United States
Population 	47,698,524	326,625,791
People Living Below Poverty Line 	28%	15.1%
Languages 	Spanish	English, Spanish, other Indo-European, Asian and Pacific Island
Religions 	Roman Catholic 79% Protestant 14% other/unspecified 7%	Christian 68.2% other 25.2% Jewish 1.9% Mormon 1.6% Muslim 0.9% Jehovah's Witness 0.8% Buddhist 0.7% Hindu 0.7%
Typical Family Income 	\$14,500 per year	\$59,500 per year



Many kids, especially under age 5, are malnourished.

There is a shortage of clean water.

Public schools are crowded and don't have enough skilled teachers.



Sponsored kids eat healthy meals at their Compassion centers.

Churches give water filters to many families who need them.

Sponsored kids go to school and also learn from tutors at their centers.