

Chapter 13: Mexico

Internet Activity

--With a population of over 8.9 million people, Mexico City is the largest city in the Western Hemisphere and the 12th largest metropolitan area in the world. But its unique geography and lack of environmental regulations have contributed to one of the worst air pollution problems of any city in the world. In this lesson, you will investigate the causes and effects of air pollution in Mexico City.

Directions: Read the articles listed below. In the table below, take notes about the big ideas in your reading. Be sure to think about WHAT air pollution is, and the CAUSES and EFFECTS of air pollution in Mexico City.

Ducksters--What is Air Pollution? <http://bit.ly/airpoll1>

Suny Orange--Air Pollution <http://bit.ly/airpoll4>

The Economist--A Breath of Fresh Air <http://bit.ly/airpoll2>

The Guardian--Mexico City Smog Alert <http://bit.ly/airpoll5>



WHAT is Air Pollution?	CAUSES of Air Pollution	EFFECTS of Air Pollution	What Mexico's government is doing to CONTROL air pollution