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A young boy sits on a stone stair next to a market stall full of clothing. A major industry in large Mexican cities is the selling of overstocked or slightly damaged U.S. clothing. Many Mexicans travel to border towns in the United States and purchase clothing for resale in Mexico. Guanajuato is a large city in the central highlands of Mexico. It was an important colonial city because of the area's large silver deposits. Silver continues to be a major export, while tourism and industry round out the balance of the economy. Because it was an important colonial site, the city boasts of lavish colonial architecture and a historic city center that is recognized by UNESCO for its cultural heritage.



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