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Christo Rey, or "Christ the King," is a stone statue situated on the hills above Guanajuato. It sits on top of the 7,800 foot high mountain of Cubilete. The statue itself is 60 feet high and commands a view of the surrounding countryside. The statue is a popular site for tourists and pilgrims alike. 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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