

# FUN MEXICO FACTS FOR KIDS

The Mexico facts for kids presented below, incorporates a bit of unheard yet, interesting information and details.

- It is interesting to know that Mexico has the highest number of Spanish speaking population in the entire world.
- A rare kind of rabbit known as the volcano rabbit is found in Mexico. Since, the rabbit inhabits areas near Mexican volcanoes it is referred to by this name.
- The Chihuahua breed of dog is named after a Mexican state.
- The monarch butterflies migrate to Mexico from Canada and US every year.
- Southern jungles of Mexico are home to the [jaguar](#). The jaguar is largest among all the wildcats found in North America.
- The world's second largest border lies between the two countries i.e. Mexico and USA. This border is second in terms of length, only to the border shared by Canada and USA.
- Mexico is responsible for introducing chocolate to the world! It was considered the drink of the gods by the early [Aztec culture](#) inhabitants.
- Mexico introduced chillies and corn to the world as well.
- The popular Caesar salad is named after Caesar Cardini, an Italian Mexican chef, restaurant and hotel owner
- Mexico is where the tortilla and burrito were born among other famous [Mexican foods](#).
- Tequila is the national drink of the country.
- Mexico is the largest manufacturer of salt in the world.
- The poinsettia plant is named after Ambassador Poinsett.
- The name tomato comes from the Aztec language.
- The currency of Mexico is the Peso.
- The country experiences frequent volcanoes because it is situated in the 'Ring of Fire', which has the most violent earthquakes and volcanic zones.
- The smallest volcano in the world, the Cuexcomate, is situated in Mexico in the city of Puebla, and is only 43 feet tall.
- The City of Mexico was built on a water reservoir and it sinks about 6-10 inches every year!
- The Chichen Itza pyramid is considered one of the wonders of the world and it is said that if you stand by the pyramid, you can hear a bird singing.
- The oldest living tree in the world (Arbol de Tule) is 40 feet tall and is situated in Mexico.
- The largest bullfighting ring of the world, Plaza de Toros is in Mexico.
- In the whole of North America, it was Mexico City where the use of printing press first started; the printing press started in this country in the year, 1539.
- Hundreds of dinosaur bones have been found in Northern Mexico.
- Mexican children take the name of both their parents (father's last and mother's maiden) to preserve the heritage.
- The first astronomers convention was held in Mexico in 700 A.D.
- Actor Anthony Quinn was the first Mexican to win an Academy Award for his role in the 1952 movie Viva Zapata.
- Mexico receives over 20 million tourists every year.
- The literacy rate in Mexico is almost 98%.
- Swine flu (also called the H1N1 virus) originated in Mexico

## List of Famous People From Mexico

[Famous Mexican actors and actresses](#) - Salma Hayek, George Lopez, Anthony Quinn, Jessica Alba, Eva Longoria

Famous Mexican Singers – Gloria Estefan, Antonio Aguilar