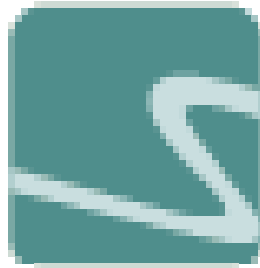


The Chichimec Route united to Ciclo America

“Mexican citizen project”



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103.5 millions inhabitants in 2005,

Important petroleum exporter

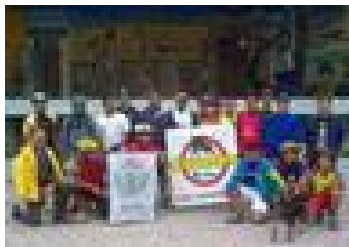
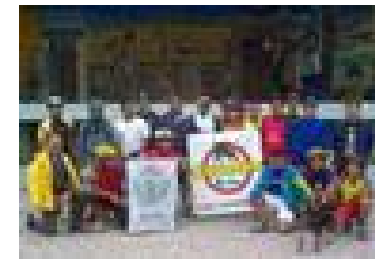
Income superior to \$ 9.000 U.S. dollars per capita

60% of poors

Chichimec Culture a little but under de Cancer Tropic and until the north frontier of Mexico until 1840

CICLO AMERICA a continental project of a Network of Bike and Pedestrian paths





We are an twenty bike groups which agree to find a safe route from Paquime to Mexico City to Acapulco and Puebla City going across it by bike relief, since 2004 (to Mexico City):
ciclotourist, bike advocacy, mountain bike, schools, ecotouristic Co.

Objetives of ChR: Design and build of Ch R the future column vertebral of bicycle path network



Mexican authorities



- The three level of government privilege the car use
- There is no Bicycle Plan in the three levels of government
- Most of the railroads of passengers disappeared at the end of 90's,
- There is Metro only in the three main cities of the country
- Metro bus only exist in two cities

Bicycle situation



- **National production about 1,063,500 bicycles in 1998**
- **We estimated less than 1000 Km bicycle path ways** have been built in the last 15 years: in México City, San Luis Potosi, San Juan del Rio, Oaxaca. Others projects in Leon, Monterrey, San Felipe, Acapulco, Cancun, Mazatlan, Ixtapa-Zihuatanejo and Chapala- Ajijic.
- **The challenge is still great: for example San Luis Potosi City** is the number one of the country: the greater number of cyclists, produces more than half of the bikes produced but unfortunately it has the greater index of fatal accidents for cyclists, more than 25 in 2005
- **The biggest Metro in México City allows the entrance of bicycles** on Sundays and Holidays.

The Ch R crosses existing ways of preference with few traffic dirt, stone, pavement



Heights from sea level to more 3500 meters

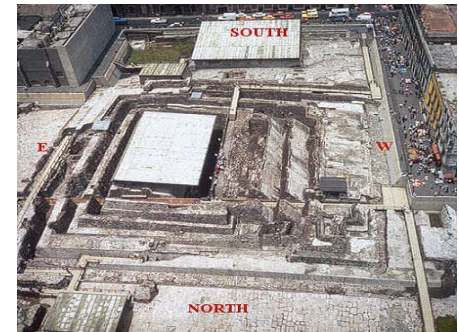
photo "Cortez pass and Popocatepetl"



The Ch R ride will cross roads that tell the History of Mexico

THE TURQUOISE ROUTE

Mesoamerican Archeological Zones: Paquime, Chalchihuites, El Cerrito, Tula, Teotihuacan, Mexico City , Cholula, Xochicalco



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The Camino Real de Tierra Adentro, 1545 - 1821



Several roads crossed by National Mexican Heroes: Cuauhtemoc, Hidalgo, Juarez, Villa, Zapata, Gerome



Eight places from the World- Heritage list UNESCO

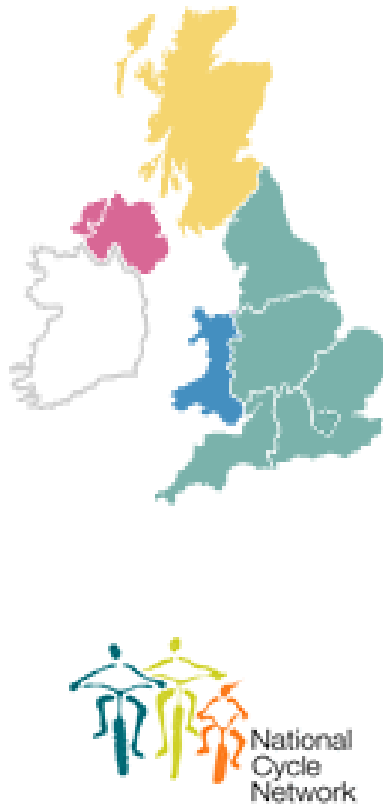
will visite by Ch R 2006

1. Historic Centre of Mexico City (1987)
2. Historic Centre of Puebla (1987)
3. Pre- Hispanic City of Teotihuacan (1987)
4. Historic Town of Guanajuato and Adjacent Mines (1988)
5. Historic Centre of Zacatecas (1993)
6. Historic Monuments Zone of Queretaro (1996)
7. Archeological Zone of Paquimé, Casas Grandes (1998)
8. Archeological Monuments Zone of Xochicalco (1999)

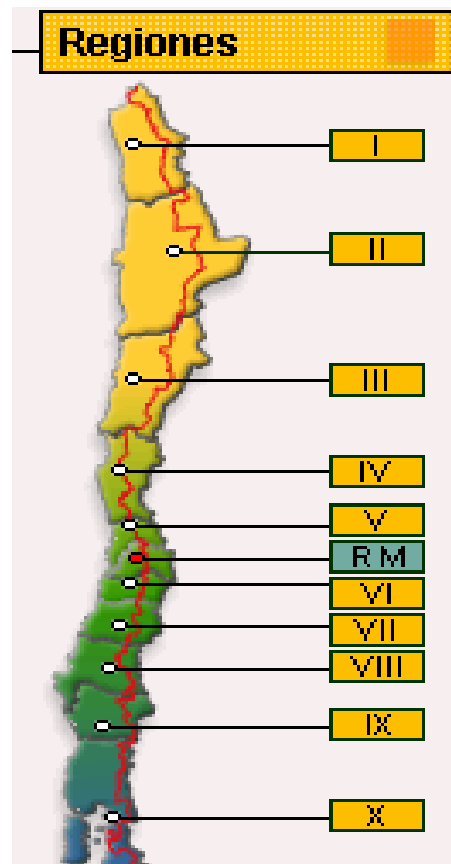


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We need

- **Better laws** are required to protect the cyclists,
- **Better budgets** must be allocated to to build cycling infrastructure.
- **Municipal, State and Federal plans** to promote a safe use of roads, the promotion of walking and cycling to schools, works, sport and leisure

It will bring enormous benefits for the population as well as to contribute to **maintain the quality of live and the environment** for the future



We believe that **the Ch R as well as Mexican Bicycle friendly cities** will be possible if we can catch the interest of the citizens, mass media and authorities. For it we needed the support of the organizations of promotion and advocacy of the bicycle in other countries.

GOALS in 2006

- To fortify the local groups that integrated the network
- To dignify the use of the bicycle
- To make a survey of the facilities to the cyclists in the states and municipalities
- To include the Ch R in the National Plan of Development 2006-2012 and in the states ones
- To propose the Ch R in the projects sustainable that the Senate of the Republic analyzes for go to propose in the next national political agenda





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and to roll with us some of but of
3000 km of
adventure, beauty, history and tradition

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Let's keep dreaming a better world,
THANK YOU

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