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NORTH AMERICA POPULATION DENSITY MAP

SOILS and NATURAL VEGETATION



VEGETATION- Major units:
Forest
 Deciduous, Coniferous
Grassland
 Tall grass, Short grass
Scrubland
 Semi-arid (steppe), Desert

Tundra: Arctic, Alpine
SOILS
Most productive:
Mollisols (mid-latitude grasslands)
Alfisols (mid-latitude forests)
Ultisols (ample precipitation, long frost-free period)

SOILS
Least productive:
Aridisols (arid)
Spodosols (cool, moist climates; acidic)
Tundra soils (cold, moist climate)
Highland soils (high, rugged terrain)

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Physiographic Diagram of North America



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