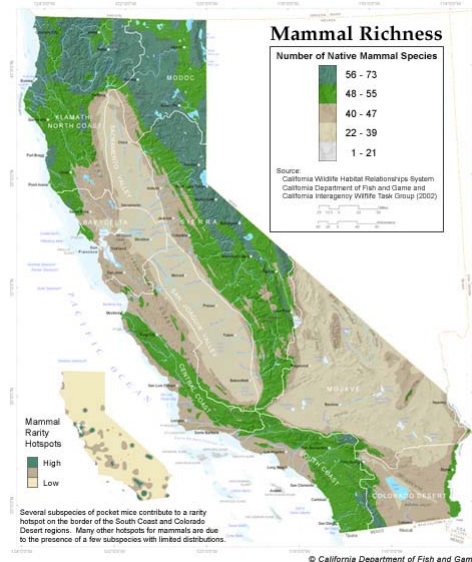
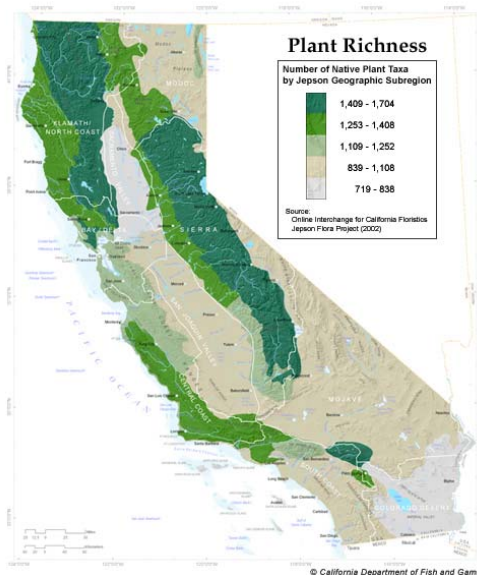


California the “Golden State”

The economic wealth of California is an expression of its natural diversity...and California has the sixth largest economy in the world!



Insert scans from ‘Atlas of the Biodiversity of CA’

Within its 160,000 square miles, California harbors more unique plants and animals than any other state!

Approximately half of California’s native plant species are found nowhere else in the world!

There are more than 5,000 native plant species in California. This is more than you will find in the northeastern United States and Canada combined, an area 10 times larger than California! At least one-third of these 5,000 plants are found nowhere else in the world (endemic).

World Record Breakers

The California redwoods: the Coast Redwood (*Sequoia sempervirens*) and the Giant Sequoia (*Sequoiadendron giganteum*) are the tallest and largest living organisms in the world!

Insert images of each species

Coast Redwood can be as tall as 370 feet!

Giant Sequoia - Record trees have been reported to be 307 feet in height and 29 feet in diameter!

