

South America

Old South American Hunting-Collecting *Years BP:* 13000 - 9000

Location: Andean region.

Description: Nomadic hunters with a focus on cervids, camelids, and ground-dwelling birds.

OAT code: 2005 *OWC code:* S025

Old Amazonian Collecting-Hunting *Years BP:* 11000 - 7000

Location: Amazon basin.

Description: Nomadic food collectors and hunters of lowland South America.

OAT code: 2010 *OWC code:* SL60

Late Andean Hunting-Collecting *Years BP:* 9000 - 7000

Location: Andes region, highland Colombia and Venezuela, western Argentina.

Description: Hunter / gatherers showing marked seasonal migration between highland and coastal sites. Restricted to western Argentina by 7000 BP.

OAT code: 2015 *OWC code:* S035

Early Northwest South American Littoral *Years BP:* 9000 - 5500

Location: Coastal regions of Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela, and Panama.

Description: Nomadic or semi-nomadic peoples with an economy focused on fish and shellfish. Lack chipped stone projectile points.

OAT code: 2030 *OWC code:* S060

Late Northwest South American Littoral *Years BP:* 5500 - 3000

Location: Coastal regions of Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela. Islands of the West Indies.

Description: Nomadic or semi-nomadic populations with an economy focused on fish and shellfish, but including the use of diverse plant resources.

OAT code: 2035 *OWC code:* S065

Early Amazonian *Years BP:* 7000 - 2000

Location: Amazon basin.

Description: Hunter / gatherers living in small, egalitarian communities.

OAT code: 2050 *OWC code:* SL62

Late Amazonian *Years BP:* 2000 - 50

Location: Amazon basin.

Description: Sedentary horticulturalists living in large communal structures. Rapidly expands across the Amazon basin from west to east.

OAT code: 2055 *OWC code:* SL65

Early Paraná-Pampean *Years BP:* 7000 - 1500

Location: Paraná-Pampas region.

Description: Nomadic hunter / fisher / gatherers of the Pampas and Patagonia,

OAT code: 2060 *OWC code:* SI50

Late Paraná-Pampean *Years BP:* 1500 - 500

Location: Paraná-Pampas region.

Description: Hunting-fishing-gathering of localized resources is important for all these peoples. Some practice horticulture as well (Lower Paraná River region). Sedentism increases and pottery manufacturing spreads north to south across the region.

OAT code: 2065 *OWC code:* SI60

Magellan-Fuegan *Years BP:* 6300 - 50

Location: Tierra del Fuego.

Description: Nomadic, extended-family microbands subsisting off sea resources, particularly mammals and shellfish.

OAT code: 2070 *OWC code:* SH50

Early East Brazilian Uplands *Years BP:* 11000 - 5000

Location: Brazilian uplands.

Description: Nomadic hunter / gatherers subsisting on diverse upland resources. Lasts until the historic period in remote areas, but not on the coast or major rivers.

OAT code: 2075 *OWC code:* SN50

Late East Brazilian Uplands *Years BP:* 5000 - 50

Location: Brazilian uplands.

Description: Semi-nomadic peoples intensively using localized resources.

OAT code: 2080 *OWC code:* SN60

Sambaquí *Years BP:* 7000 - 500

Location: Coastal areas of northeastern South America.

Description: Semi-sedentary hunter / fisher / gatherers subsisting primarily on shellfish.

OAT code: 2085 *OWC code:* SO50

Tupi *Years BP:* 1500 - 150

Location: Southeastern Brazil lowlands, but spreads rapidly northward.

Description: Sedentary or semi-sedentary lowland horticulturalists.

OAT code: 2100 *OWC code:* SL72

Early Chibcha*Years BP:* 3500 - 1200*Location:* Southern Central America and western Colombia.*Description:* Sedentary horticulturalists living in small villages. Political centralization and status differences present in some areas. Ceremonial centers present in some areas.*OAT code:* 2105*OWC code:* SC60**Late Chibcha***Years BP:* 1200 - 500*Location:* Southern Central America, western Colombia.*Description:* Sedentary village horticulturalists living in complex, "regionalized" polities. Stratification present in some areas. Fishing important in some areas. Sophisticated polychrome pottery and figurines, and metalworking present.*OAT code:* 2110*OWC code:* SC70**Ecuadorian Coast Regional Development***Years BP:* 2300 - 1200*Location:* Central coast of Ecuador from La Plata Island north to the Manabí Coast.*Description:* Centralized polities with large villages containing platform mounds and ceremonial buildings. Manufactured unique pottery and figurines.*OAT code:* 2115*OWC code:* SD45**Manteño***Years BP:* 1500 - 500*Location:* Coastal Ecuador.*Description:* Complex, centralized polities with large towns and large populations. Inter-polity interaction continuous. Stone architecture present including ceremonial buildings and palaces. Complex metallurgy is present.*OAT code:* 2120*OWC code:* SD50**Ecuadorian Highlands***Years BP:* 3500 - 500*Location:* Guayas River basin and surrounding highland regions of Ecuador.*Description:* Complex horticulturalists living in large communities with house platforms and burial mounds. Ranking and perhaps stratification present. Manufactured coarse pottery but highly sophisticated metal objects.*OAT code:* 2125*OWC code:* SD60**Coastal Andean Archaic***Years BP:* 7000 - 4100*Location:* Pacific coast of South America from Ecuador to northern Chile.*Description:* Nomadic or semi-nomadic hunter / gatherers with some domesticated crops. Heavy reliance on fish and shellfish, but highly seasonal in their exploitation.*OAT code:* 2200*OWC code:* SE40

- Highland Andean Early Archaic** *Years BP:* 7000 - 4500
Location: High Andes from Ecuador to northern Chile.
Description: Nomadic or semi-nomadic hunter / gatherers, but with domesticated llamas, alpacas, and guinea pigs and some domesticated plants.
OAT code: 2205 *OWC code:* SE45
- Highland Andean Late Archaic** *Years BP:* 4500 - 3500
Location: High Andes from Ecuador to northern Chile.
Description: Sedentary village dwellers, relying in part on domesticated plants and animals supplemented by seasonal exploitation of wild resources.
OAT code: 2215 *OWC code:* SE46
- Highland Andean Archaic** *Years BP:* 7000 - 3500
Location: High Andes from Ecuador to northern Chile.
Description: [eHRAF Archaeology combines the Highland Andean Early and Late Archaic traditions.]
OAT code: 2216 *OWC code:* SE47
- Coastal Andean Early Formative** *Years BP:* 4100 - 3000
Location: Pacific coast of South America from Ecuador to northern Chile.
Description: Sedentary agriculturalists with domesticated animals, living in large villages and ceremonial centers on rivers near the Pacific coast. Ranking or stratification is present, as is pottery manufacture.
OAT code: 2220 *OWC code:* SE41
- Coastal Andean Late Formative** *Years BP:* 3000 - 2200
Location: Pacific coast of South America from Ecuador to northern Chile.
Description: Sedentary agriculturalists with domesticated animals and a stratified sociopolitical system, living in large communities with ceremonial centers.
OAT code: 2222 *OWC code:* SE43
- Highland Andean Formative** *Years BP:* 3500 - 2200
Location: High Andes from Ecuador to northern Chile.
Description: Sedentary agriculturalists with a reliance on maize and domesticated animals, living in large villages and ceremonial centers. Ranking or stratification is present, as is pottery manufacture and metallurgy.
OAT code: 2225 *OWC code:* SE48

- Chavín** *Years BP:* 2800 - 2200
Location: Coast and highlands of central and northern Peru.
Description: Sedentary maize agriculturalists with a complex symbol system and ideology. Large, highly decorated and complex ceremonial centers are present. Stone architecture and pyramidal construction. Ranking or stratification is present. Distinct differences between coastal and highland regions.
OAT code: 2230 *OWC code:* SE49
- Andean Regional Development** *Years BP:* 2200 - 1300
Location: Andes region from Ecuador to northern Chile.
Description: Localized but interacting states with complex ideologies, symbol systems, and social forms. Highly developed ceramics, metallurgy, and weaving.
OAT code: 2235 *OWC code:* S050
- Moche** *Years BP:* 1950 - 1200
Location: Coastal regions of northern Peru.
Description: A sedentary agricultural kingdom.
OAT code: 2240 *OWC code:* SE55
- Nazca** *Years BP:* 2200 - 1200
Location: Coastal regions of southern Peru.
Description: A sedentary agricultural kingdom.
OAT code: 2245 *OWC code:* SE51
- Tiahuanaco** *Years BP:* 1600 - 900
Location: Lake Titicaca region of highland Peru. Expands into western Bolivia and northern Chile by 1400 BP.
Description: A sedentary agricultural empire of the highland Andes.
OAT code: 2250 *OWC code:* SF45
- Huari** *Years BP:* 1200 - 900
Location: Andes from southern Ecuador to northern Chile.
Description: A sedentary agricultural empire which expanded to encompass virtually all of the central and northern Andes.
OAT code: 2255 *OWC code:* SE65
- Andean Regional States** *Years BP:* 900 - 530
Location: Andes from Ecuador to northern Chile.
Description: Localized but interacting states with complex ideologies, symbol systems, and social forms. Highly developed ceramics, metallurgy, and weaving.
OAT code: 2260 *OWC code:* SE70

Chimu *Years BP:* 1050 - 480

Location: Northern coastal regions of Peru.

Description: A sedentary agricultural kingdom.

OAT code: 2265 *OWC code:* SE75

Aymara Kingdoms *Years BP:* 900 - 530

Location: Andes in southern Peru, Bolivia and northern Chile.

Description: Related and interacting sedentary agricultural kingdoms of the high Andes.

OAT code: 2270 *OWC code:* SF50

Inka *Years BP:* 800 - 468

Location: Andes region from Ecuador to northern Chile and Argentina.

Description: The historic empire of Tiwantsuyu.

OAT code: 2275 *OWC code:* SE80

South Andean Ceramic *Years BP:* 2500 - 500

Location: Southern Andes from southern Bolivia through central Chile.

Description: Sedentary agricultural and fishing communities on the coast, agricultural in the highlands. Politically centralized but with great regional variation. Heavily influenced by the central Andean civilizations. Inka influence becomes marked by 500 B.P.

OAT code: 2280 *OWC code:* SG70