

## Call for Data/Collaboration (colonial demography)

Within our project *HGIS de las Indias* ([www.hgis-indias.net](http://www.hgis-indias.net)) a “historical geographic information system for Spanish America, 1701-1808), we maintain among other data a large demographic dataset, that can be visualized in our [interactive, multi-layered online “map”](#) (You find the layers under ‘Datos agregados’ > ‘Demografía’>‘Demografía lugares’ and ‘Datos agregados’ > ‘Demografía’>‘Demografía territorios’).

The information is basically compiled along when using demographic sources for other purposes, so it is far from being systematic or exhaustive.

**Therefore, we seek to collaborate with others in order to add data and fill gaps. There must be Excel sheets out there with more data which can be transformed to fit our schema.**

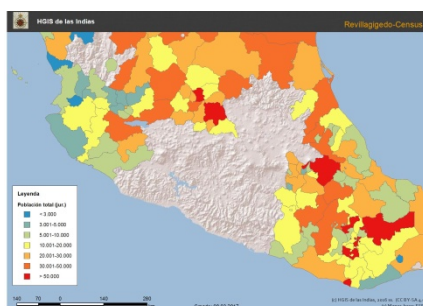
**Your benefits would be:**

- a contextualization and interoperability of your data.
- a freely accessible online visualization of your data in the interactive map.
- a spatial dataset you or your map division may then use to make maps for publications.

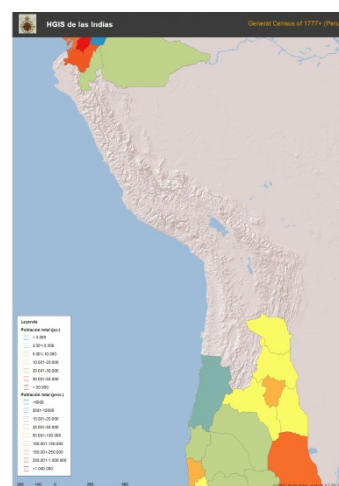
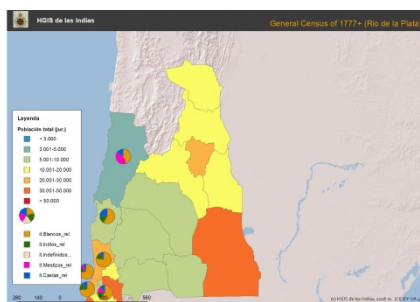
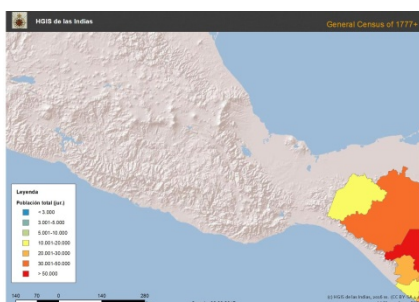
Please keep in mind: All data within HGIS de las Indias and connected to HGIS de las Indias by cooperation has to be shared under creative commons license [CC Attribution-Share Alike 4.0 International](#). **Data sharing matters, don't sit on it!**

*The following screenshots of our online map highlight some of the more important gaps:*

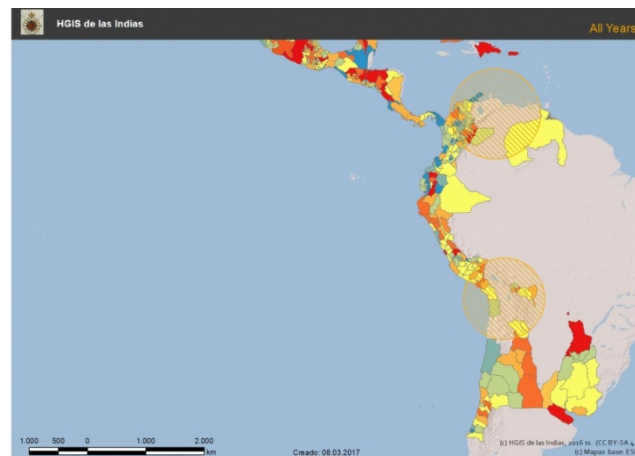
**The Revillagigedo Census.** We totally lack data for jurisdictions in the intendencies of Mexico and Michoacán. Also, data in [Castro Aranda's monography](#) is problematic.



**The General Census of 1777+.** We could find no summary statistics on the General Census decreed in 1776 for New Spain. Data we have for Rio de la Plata is also lacking or not detailed (only population totals in Tucumán and Cuyo). And we couldn't find ANYTHING on Peru and Charcas (was it even carried out?)



**Venezuela and Charcas:** Not only for the 1777+ census it was hard to find any original census documents beyond the parish (like a padrón general) for territories in Venezuela and Charcas. This screen shows all areas for which we have at least one entry between 1701-1808. Venezuela and Charcas are largely empty!



**Population data on places:** At parish level and below, data is visualized in a point layer. Density and completeness of data depends on circumstantial factors. These screens show all points with at least one entry. You see, some areas are more dense, others are empty. The parish data on Peru from the Gil de Taboada census (1791) is being edited by us at the moment though, and eventually will be added rather soon.

