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Great Smoky Mountains is the most biodiverse park in the National Park system. Biological diversity, or 'biodiversity', means the number and variety of different types of animals, plants, fungi, and other organisms in a location or habitat. When tectonic plates smash into each other, they push the Earth's crust higher and higher, forming mountains. Some mountain ranges, like the Himalayas, are still growing. The Wicklow Mountains (Irish: Sléibhte Chill Mhantáin, archaic: Cuala) form the largest continuous upland area in the Republic of Ireland. They occupy the whole centre of County Wicklow and stretch outside its borders into the counties of Dublin, Wexford and Carlow. Biodiversity is not evenly distributed, rather it varies greatly across the globe as well as within regions. Among other factors, the diversity of all living things depends on temperature, precipitation, altitude, soils, geography and the presence of other species. - Mountains, Climate And Biodiversity