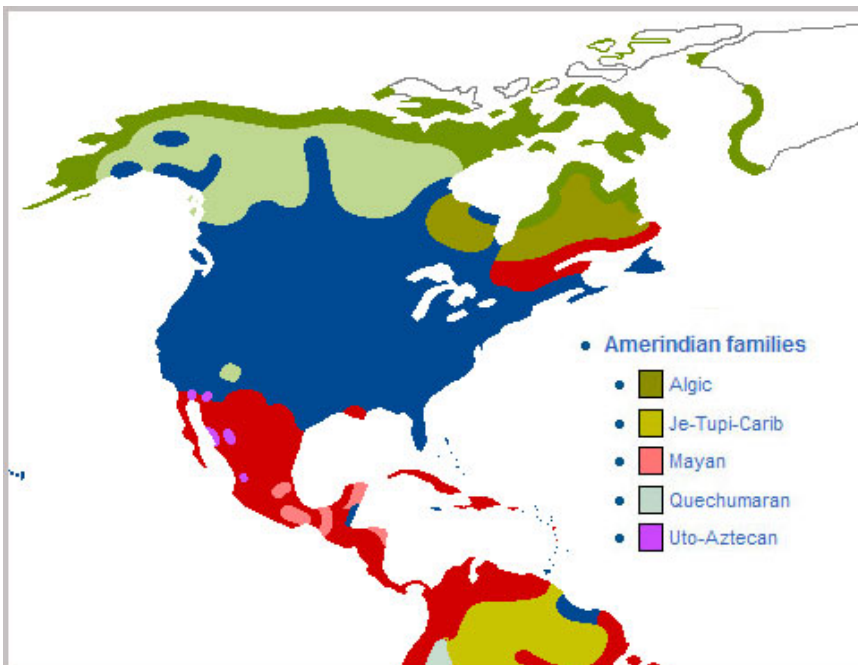


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- Languages of the population native to the Americas before the 'discovery' of Columbus.
- At least 50 separate language families.
- Most prominent:
 - Oto-Manguean family (170, in Mexico)
 - Arawakan family (75, Honduras to Argentina)
 - Tupi family (70, Paraguay to French Guyana)
 - Uto-Aztecan family (60, Western USA to El Salvador)
 - Quechuan family (47, Andean area)
 - Na-Dene family (42 from Alaska to S.W. USA)
 - Algic family (33, Canada and USA)

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