

ESA image: Mexico City subsidence

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Five Sentinel-1A radar scans acquired between 3 October and 2 December 2014 were combined to create this image of ground deformation in Mexico City.



The deformation is caused by ground water extraction, with some areas of the city subsiding at up to 2.5 cm/month (red).

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