

PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY: MAJOR GLOBAL RIVER SYSTEMS

Reference Chart & Basin Distribution

RIVER SYSTEM	CONTINENT	LENGTH (KM)
Nile	Africa	6,650
Amazon	South America	6,400
Yangtze	Asia	6,300
Mississippi	North America	6,275
Yenisei	Asia	5,539

BASIN NAME	DRAINAGE AREA (KMÂ²)	OUTFLOW
Amazon Basin	7,050,000	Atlantic
Congo Basin	4,014,500	Atlantic
Mississippi	3,202,230	Gulf of Mexico
Ob River	2,990,000	Arctic Ocean
Paraná	2,582,670	Rio de la Plata

Primary Perennial River
Secondary Tributary
Major Delta / Estuary