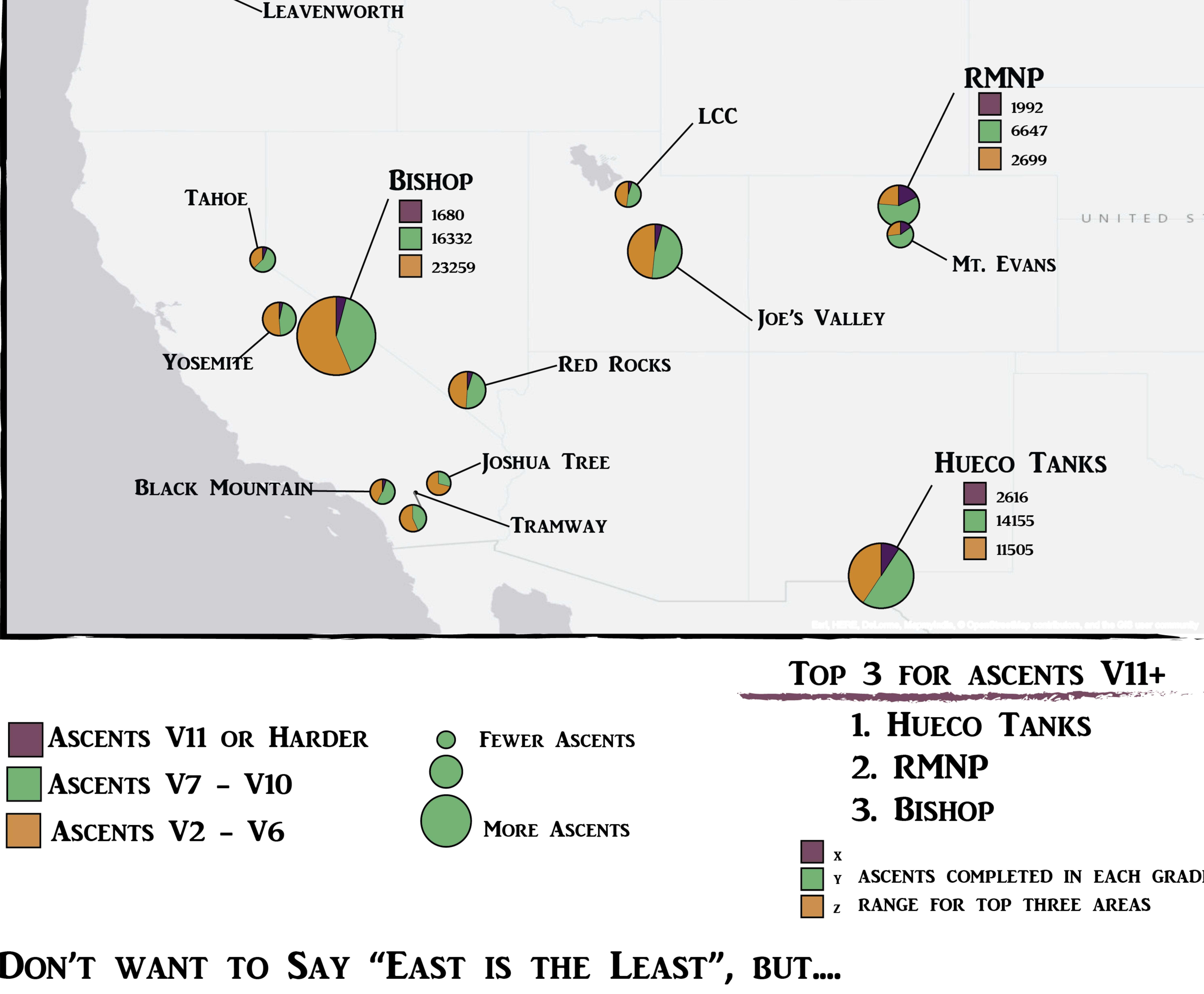


THE WEST IS THE BEST:

THE FOLLOWING MAPS AND FIGURES ARE CREATED FROM 8A.NU DATA FROM OVER 36,000 ASCENTS LOGGED IN THE U.S. SINCE 1999 FROM THE 20 MOST POPULAR BOULDERING AREAS IN THE U.S.

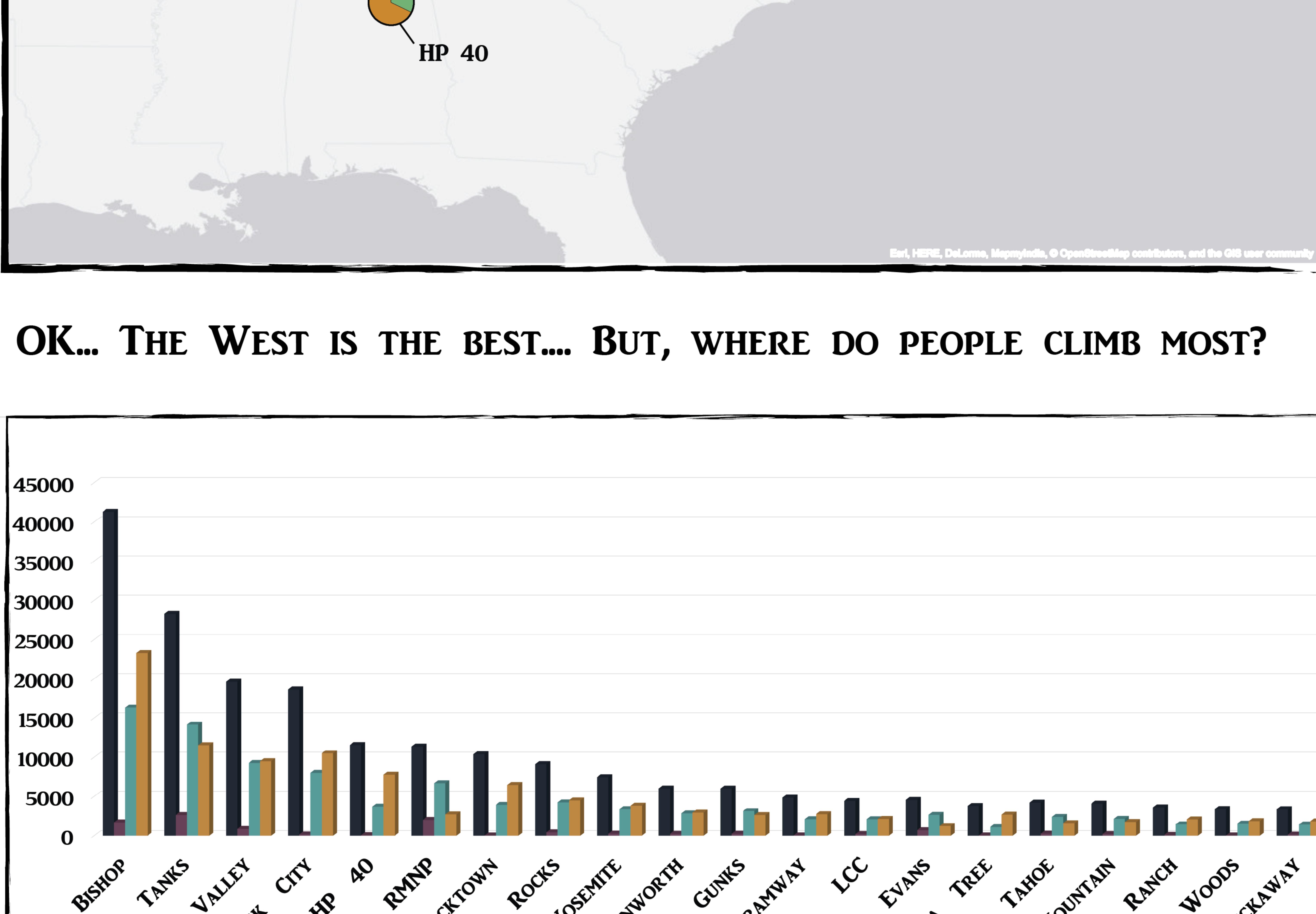


TOP 3 FOR ASCENTS V11+

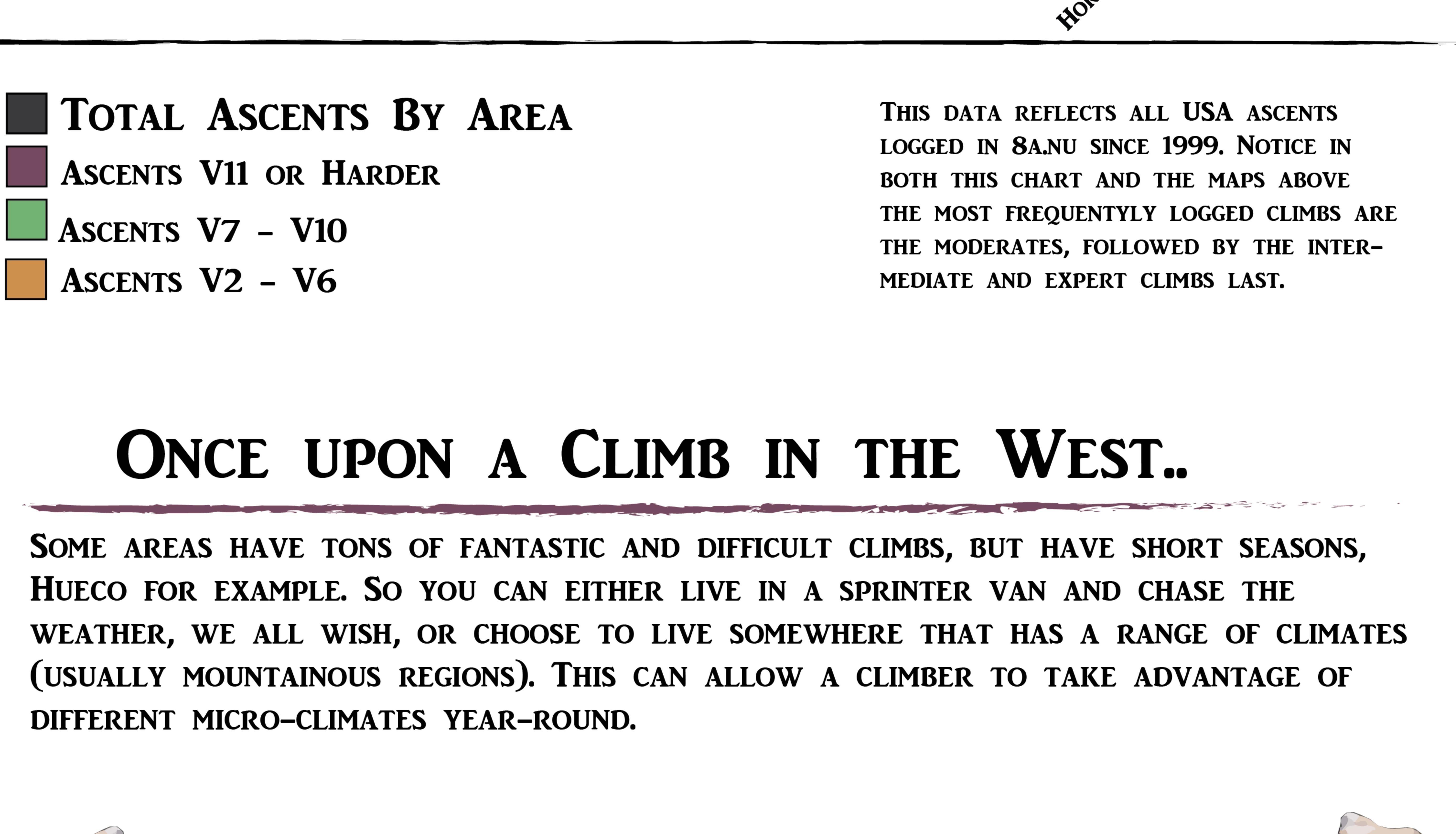
1. HUECO TANKS
2. RMNP
3. BISHOP

x ASCENTS COMPLETED IN EACH GRADE
y RANGE FOR TOP THREE AREAS

DON'T WANT TO SAY "EAST IS THE LEAST", BUT....



OK... THE WEST IS THE BEST.... BUT, WHERE DO PEOPLE CLIMB MOST?



TOTAL ASCENTS BY AREA

- ASCENTS V11 OR HARDER
- ASCENTS V7 - V10
- ASCENTS V2 - V6

THIS DATA REFLECTS ALL USA ASCENTS LOGGED IN 8A.NU SINCE 1999. NOTICE IN BOTH THIS CHART AND THE MAPS ABOVE THE MOST FREQUENTLY LOGGED CLIMBS ARE THE MODERATES, FOLLOWED BY THE INTERMEDIATE AND EXPERT CLIMBS LAST.

ONCE UPON A CLIMB IN THE WEST..

SOME AREAS HAVE TONS OF FANTASTIC AND DIFFICULT CLIMBS, BUT HAVE SHORT SEASONS, HUECO FOR EXAMPLE. SO YOU CAN EITHER LIVE IN A SPRINTER VAN AND CHASE THE WEATHER, WE ALL WISH, OR CHOOSE TO LIVE SOMEWHERE THAT HAS A RANGE OF CLIMATES (USUALLY MOUNTAINOUS REGIONS). THIS CAN ALLOW A CLIMBER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF DIFFERENT MICRO-CLIMATES YEAR-ROUND.

FACTURING IN A GOOD CENTRAL LOCATION, AND PROXIMITY TO THE BETTER SEASONAL AREAS, WE COME TO THE FOLLOWING CONCLUSION:

IF YOU WANT TO CLIMB HARD IN THE U.S., THE BEST PLACES TO PARK IT ARE:

CALIFORNIA



COLORADO



UTAH

