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- chabarco** *nm* [León, Sp] pond, lake
chabasia *nf* chabazite
chabasita *nf* chabazite
chabisque *nm* [Aragón, Sp] mud
chacal *nm* [Pe] graphite
chaco *nm* [Bol, Par] plain
chacuaco *nm* [LAm] furnace for reducing Ag ores
chacurruscar *vtr* [Pe] to mix different types of ore
chadacristal *nm* chadacryst, xenocryst
chadroniano,-na *adj* Chadronian
chaemolito *nm* humic coal
chafalonía *nf* wrought silver | scrap gold or silver
chafariz *nm* pool, pond
chagüite *nm* [Hon] swamp | pool, pond
chahuar *vtr* [Bol] to frisk or search a miner for stolen ore
chalchihuitl *nm* [Méx] Aztec word used for any useful green stone, such as jadeite and turquoise
chalchuite *nm* blue or green variety of turquoise | [Méx] jade
chalmersita *nf* cubanite
chalybita *nf* siderite
challantita *nf* ferricopiapite
chamarcal *nm* seasonal swamp
chamba *nf* [Col] pit, ditch or trench | [Ec] sod, turf
chambear *vtr* [Col] to dig a trench, pit or ditch
chameolito *nm* humic coal
chami *nm* [Bol] low grade ore
chamorro,-ra *adj* said of a hill with a summit devoid of vegetation
chamosítico,-ca *adj* chamositic
champa *nf* [Pe] peat | *ch. lavadora* [Bol] sluice box
champlainiano,-na *adj* Champlainian | *nm* Champlanian
chamuscar *vtr* [Pe] roasting of ore
chanca *nf* crushing | [Ch, Pe] sorting of ore
chancaca *nf* [Sayapullo, Pe] oxidized ore | [Hualgáyoc, Pe] mixture of oxidized and unoxidized silver ores
chancado *nm* crushed stone | *ch. sin cribar* crusher-run aggregate
chancadora *nf* crusher | *ch. de cono* cone crusher | *ch. de mandíbulas* jaw crusher | *ch. de quijadas* jaw crusher | *ch. giratoria* gyratory crusher
chancal *nm* glacial moraine
chancar *vtr* [Ch] to crush (minerals) | to grind
chango *nm* [Méx] derrickman, roughneck
chanta *nf* flagstone | slate
chanto *nm* [Galicia, Sp] flagstone
chañarcillita *nf* huntelite | [Ch] Pb-As-Sb minerals such as atacamite, domeykite, huantajayite
chapa *nf* plate, sheet (of metal)
chapapote *nm* [Méx] asphalt, tar, bitumen
chapatal *nm* swamp | muddy ground
chapopote *nm* [Méx] asphalt, tar, bitumen
chapuro *nm* [Arg,Cu] asphalt, tar
charca *nf* pool, pond, small lake
charcal *nm* [Arg,Cu] pond
charco *nm* pool, pond | water hole | puddle in a playa | gulf
charmouthiano,-na *adj* Charmouthian
charmouthense *adj* Charmouthian | *nm* Charmouthian
Charmoutiense *nm* Charmouthian
charnela *nf* hinge (of a fold, etc) | bend, bow | *ch. anticlinal* anticlinal apex or bend | *ch. sinclinal* synclinal bend, trough line
charniano,-na *adj* Charnian | *nm* Charnian
charnockítico,-ca *adj* charnockitic
charque *nm* [Bol] native metal
charquear *vtr* to dewater (a mine)
charquería *nf* [Ch] native metal in the form of a *charqui*
charquero *nm* drainage ditch
chasa *nf* [Arg] gypsum deposit
chasquear *vtr* [Bol] to move load of ore or waste from one place to another
chassignito *nm* chassignite
chatarra *nf* scrap iron, scrap | slag
chatarrero *nm* scrap dealer
chathamita *nf* iron skutterudite
Chatiense *nm* Chattian
chato,-ta *adj* flat
chatón *nm* large precious stone (used only after it is set)
chatoyante *nm/adj* chatoyant
chattiano,-na *adj* Chattian
chattiense *adj* Chattian | *nm* Chattian
Chautauquiense *nm* Chautauquan
chauti *nm* [Méx] clay
chautoso,-sa *adj* [Méx] clayey
Chaziense *nm* Chazyan

- chchamear** or **ch'amear** *vtr* [Bol] to high grade a vein, mine selectively
- chchipa** or **ch'ipa** *nf* [Bol] rock difficult to drill
- chekao** *nm* barite
- Chemungiano** *nm* Chemungian
- chengbolita** *nf* moncheite
- chertificación** *nf* chertification
- cherusko-acádico,-ca** *adj* fourth order folding
- chessylita** *nf* azurite
- Chesteriano** *nm* Chesterian
- Chesteriense** *nm* Chesterian
- chiastolítico,-ca** *adj* chiastolitic
- chico** *nm* [Bol] piece of unusually high grade ore, usually sold to mine owner
- chicuete** *nm* small bucket used for raising ore
- chicharrón** *nm* [Cu] a type of silver currency | [Col] gold nugget | [Hualgáyoc, Pe] wad | [Cerro de Pasco, Pe] local variety of sandstone
- chicharrones** *nmpl* tailings
- chichicle** *nm* [Méx] amethyst
- chichiquero** *nm* placer miner
- chichitle** *nm* [Méx] amethyst
- Chideruano** *nm* Chideruan
- chifle** *adj* still, stagnant
- chiflón** *nm* chamber in a mine | flume | rockslide | rock fall in a mine | inclined gallery | [Arg, Cu] waterfall | [Bol] ventilation shaft | [Ch] rapids | [Col] spring, source | *ch. de agua* water jet
- chile** *nm* [Méx] refractory clay | [Pe] deepest part of a mine | working that follows the dip of a vein
- chile-loeweita** *nf* humberstonite
- chilenita** *nf* bismuth-bearing native silver
- chileno** *nm* edge or Chilean mill
- chilisalpeter** *nm* Chile salpeter
- chilpear** *vtr* [Bol] to sampla a load of ore using a *punta*
- chiltonita** *nf* prehnite
- chiluca** *nf* [Méx] hornblende trachyte porphyry or trachyandesite porphyry used as a building stone
- chillagita** *nf* tungstenian wulfenite
- chimaltizatl** *nm* [Méx] talc
- chimba** *nf* [Ch, Pe] ford
- chimbo** *nm* [Hon] smelting furnace
- chimbrazita** *nf* aragonite
- chimenea** *nf* pipe, chimney | shaft | ascending gallery | *ch. central* central shaft on an oil production platform | *ch. de ascenso* channel of ascent | *ch. de extracción* drawhole | *ch. volcánica* volcanic pipe
- china** *nf* small stone, cobble or pebble | [Almadén, Sp] low grade mercury ore
- chinapo** *nm* [Méx] obsidian
- chinarro** *nm* boulder | pebble, cobble
- chinata** *nf* [Cu] pebble, cobble
- chinazo** *nm* large pebble, cobble, stone
- chingana** *nf* underground cave or passage
- chingarse la veta** *vtr* loss, displacement or petering out of a vein (not for proper company)
- chimidina** *nf* glue used for thin sections
- chini-liga** *nf* [Potosí, Bol] variety of silver-bearing galena
- chinilla** *nf* small pebble
- chinkolobwita** *nf* sklodowskite
- chino** *nm* pyrite | chalcopyrite | cobble | [PR] boulder
- chinoita** *nf* libethenite
- chiquero** *nm* [Cu] crib, cribwork
- chirola** *nf* [Arg, Bol] a silver coin equivalent to 20 centavos
- chiscarra** *nf* deeply weathered and decomposed limestone | [Cartagena] trachyte usefull as a guide to lead ore
- chispa** *nf* very small diamond | [Bol] very fine grained gold or other ore
- chispa-chispeada** *nf* [Batopilas, Méx] native silver in thin wire or leaf | ore containing one-third silver
- chispeado** *nm* [Yauli, Pe] tetrahedrite
- chiva** *nm* [Méx] claw bar
- chladnita** *nf* chladnite (mineral)
- chladnito** *nm* chladnite (meteorite)
- chloanthita** *nf* nickel-skutterudite
- choclo de oro** *nm* a mass of native gold in matrix
- choco,-ca** *adj* dark red
- chocolate** *adj* chocolate brown
- chompa** *nf* [Vz] churn drill
- chondrítico,-ca** *adj* chondritic
- chondrito** *nm* chondrite
- chondrodita** *nf* chondrodite
- chóndrulo,-la** *adj* chondritic
- chonolito** *nm* chonolith
- choque** *nm* shock, jolt | *ch. sísmico* seismic shock
- chorlo** *nm* schorl or black tourmaline | jetstone
- chorreadero** *nm* [Méx] ore chute | loose or running ground
- chorreón** *nm* [Cu] small waterfall
- chorrera** *nf* [Bol] part of a mine subject to flooding | [Méx] abandoned stope | ore shoot
- chorro** *nm* jet | spring, source | *ch. de agua a presión* jet of pressurized water | *ch. padrón* [Ch] fault, master fault

chorroborro *nm* alluvium | diluvium
chortal *nm* small lake or pool fed by a spring
choy *nm* [Méx] variety of soft shale
chozola *nf* river bend
christensenita *nf* tridymite
christophita *nf* marmatite, iron sphalerite
chua *nf* [Bol] flat, rounded plate used in
 collecting ore samples
chuca *nf* [Ch] friable layer of sand and gypsum
 overlying *costra* and *caliche*
chuco *nm* [Ch] upper part of a caliche deposit
 consisting mainly of sodium sulfate and
 sodium chloride

chulano *nm* a hole drilled upwards
chumba *nf* [Bol] sphalerite | any mineral that
 looks similar to sphalerite
chumbe *nm* [Bol, Pe] sphalerite | any mineral
 that looks similar to sphalerite
chumpi *nm* magnetite | [Bol] platinum
chungita *nm* shungite (var graphite)
chupón *nm* glory hole
churumbella *nf* [Col] altered felsite wall rock
chuzo *nm* [Ch] crowbar