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Cote d'Ivoire

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens Reconsider Travel to Cote d'Ivoire due to crime. Exercise increased caution due to civil unrest and terrorism. Some areas have increased risk. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws and special circumstances in this country.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country's embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

US Embassy/Consulate

[225] 22 49 40 00; US Embassy in Abidjan, B.P. 730 Abidjan Cidex 03, Côte d'Ivoire; <https://ci.usembassy.gov/>; AbjAmCit@state.gov

Telephone Code

225

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 185; Fire: 180; Police: 111

Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for all travelers. See WHO recommendations.

<http://www.who.int>

Climate

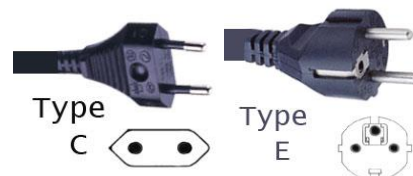
Tropical along coast, semiarid in far north; 3 seasons - warm and dry (November to March), hot and dry (March to May), hot and wet (June to October)

Currency (Code)

Communaute Financiere Africaine francs (Western African CFA francs, XOF)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

220 V / 50Hz / plug type(s): C, E



Major Languages

French, 60 native dialects of which Dioula is the most widely spoken

Religions

Muslim 42.9%, Catholic 17.2%, Evangelical 11.8%, Methodist 1.7%, other Christian 3.2%, animist 3.6%; none 19.1%

Time Difference

UTC 0 (5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit	Suggested
Road Driving Side	Right
Tourist destinations	Grand-Bassam; Abidjan (includes St. Paul's Cathedral, Plateau Salam Mosque); Mont Sangbe National Park; Taï National Park; Jacqueville
Major Sports	Soccer, rugby
Cultural Practices	It is common to start and end social engagements by shaking the hand of all parties in attendance.
Tipping Guidelines	It is usually acceptable to tip at a flat rate of 500-2,000 francs at restaurants. 1,500 francs is normal for tipping hotel staff, and taxi drivers do not expect to be tipped.

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(ATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

How to get help in an emergency? Contact the nearest US embassy or consulate, or call one of these numbers:
from the US or Canada - 1-888-407-4747 or from Overseas - +1 202-501-4444

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