

Chile

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens RECONSIDER TRAVEL to Chile due to COVID-19. Exercise increased caution in Chile due to civil unrest. Consult its website daily via the link below for any travel advisories about visiting 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 that will be required. A visa is not required as long as you do not stay in the country more than 90 days.

US Embassy/Consulate

[56] (2) 2330-3000; US Embassy Santiago, Av. Andrés Bello 2800, Las Condes, Santiago, Chile

Vaccinations

See WHO recommendations

<http://www.who.int>

Climate

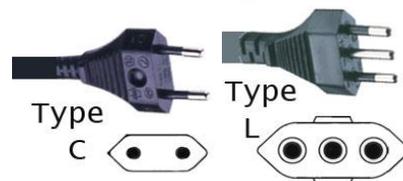
Temperate; desert in north; Mediterranean in central region; cool and damp in south

Currency (Code)

Chilean pesos (CLP)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

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



Major Languages

Spanish 99.5%, English 10.2%, indigenous 1%, other 2.3%, unspecified 0.2%; note: shares sum to more than 100% because some respondents gave more than one answer on the census

Religions

Roman Catholic 66.7%, Evangelical or Protestant 16.4%, Jehovah's Witness 1%, other 3.4%, none 11.5%, unspecified 1.1%

Time Difference

UTC-3 (2 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins second Sunday in August; ends second Sunday in May; Punta Arenas observes DST throughout the year; note: Chile has 3 time zones: the continental portion at UTC-3; the southern Magallanes region, which does not use daylight saving time and remains at UTC-3 for the summer months; and Easter Island at UTC-5

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit	Suggested; additionally, if you plan to drive in Chile, you will need an Inter-American Driving Permit issued by the AAA
Road Driving Side	Right
Tourist destinations	Torres Del Paine National Park; Valle de la Luna and the Atacama Desert; Easter Island; Santiago; Chile's Lake District; Valparaíso; Lauca National Park, Cape Horn; Qhapaq Nan/Andean Road System
Cultural Practices	Giving scissors or knives indicates a desire to sever a relationship.
Tipping Guidelines	Tipping taxi drivers is not expected, but rounding up is appreciated. A tip of 1,000 pesos per night per person is considered a good tip for housekeeping, and a little tip per bag is expected for bellhops.
Telephone Code	56
Local Emergency Phone	Ambulance: 131; Fire: 132; Police 132

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 \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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