

# Niger

## Travel Facts



### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens reconsider travel to Niger due to risk of crime, civil unrest, terrorism, and kidnapping.

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

### Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport is valid at the date of their entering the country. They should also make sure they have at least 2 blank pages in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is required.

### US Embassy/Consulate

[227] 20-72-26-61; US Embassy Niamey, BP 11201, Niamey, Niger; [consulateniamey@state.gov](mailto:consulateniamey@state.gov); <https://ne.usembassy.gov/>

**Disabled Travelers** <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/traveling-with-disabilities.html>

### LGBTQ+ Travelers

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html>

### Women Travelers

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/women-travelers.html>

### Telephone Code

227

### Local Emergency Phone

199

### Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Niger: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, typhoid, cholera, yellow fever, rabies, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, COVID-19, and influenza.

<http://www.who.int/>

### Climate

Varies; equatorial in south, tropical in center, arid in north

### Currency (Code)

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

### Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): D, G



Type D



Type G

### Major Languages

French, Hausa, Djerma

### Major Religions

Muslim

### Time Difference

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

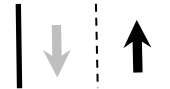
Opt for bottled water

### International Driving Permit

Suggested

### Road Driving Side

Right



### Tourist Destinations

Zinder; Niamey; Agadez; W Benin-Niger National Park; Ayorou

### Major Sports

Soccer, rugby

### Cultural Practices

Landmines are a risk throughout the country. If you travel in Niger drive only in daylight and drive in a convoy with adequate security. Taxis are old and in poor condition. Don't use public transport due to poor road conditions and the risk of violent crime.

### Tipping Guidelines

Tipping 10% of the total restaurant bill is appropriate. Tour guides and/or drivers should receive 10% and 5% respectively of the total bill.

### Souvenirs

Gold and silver jewelry, leather goods, dyed fabric items, Tuareg native weapons, woven baskets, decorated gourds

### Traditional Cuisine

Dambou - rice flour, fine hard wheat semolina (couscous semolina), or millet, wheat or corn couscous; the cereals are steamed for about 20 to 30 minutes and added to boiling moringa leaves; other ingredients are added including onion, chili, salt, broth, peanut, vegetable oil, meat or fish as a side dish

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