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## Japan

### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens **RECONSIDER TRAVEL** to Japan due to COVID-19. 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 is valid at the date of their entering the country and during the length of their entire visit. 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 for stays of less than 90 days.

### US Embassy/Consulate

Federated states of Micronesia

### Vaccinations

See WHO recommendations

<http://www.who.int>

### Climate

Varies from tropical in south to cool temperate in north

### Currency (Code)

Yen (JPY)

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

100 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): A, B



### Major Languages

Japanese

### Religions

Shintoism 70.4%, Buddhism 69.8%, Christianity 1.5%, other 6.9%; note: total adherents exceeds 100% because many people practice both Shintoism and Buddhism

### Time Difference

UTC+9 (14 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

Yes

### International Driving Permit

required

### Road Driving Side

Left

### Cultural Practices

Shaking hands in Japan is less widespread than in other countries. Bowing is much more common.

### Telephone Code

81

### Local Emergency Phone Numbers

Ambulance: 119; Fire: 119; Police: 110

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)

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

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