

RISK MAP 2023

Global health & security risks



INTERNATIONAL SOS ASSISTANCE CENTRE

Staffed by doctors and nurses, security specialists, and our ground logistic services and emergency case coordinators, our 24-hour Global Centre delivers 267 medical services to 190 countries and 100+ languages. We are available 24/7 to assist you in any emergency situation.

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An accredited, integrated network of International SOS partner clinics provides a high-quality, professional standard of medical care. International SOS also provides medical services and emergency medical evacuation services, including air ambulance, offshore and remote locations, and more. Available on behalf of clients.

MEDICAL RISK RATING DEFINITIONS	LOW MEDICAL RISK	MEDIUM MEDICAL RISK	VARIABLE MEDICAL RISK	HIGH MEDICAL RISK	VERY HIGH MEDICAL RISK
<p>The medical risk map is based on a range of health risks and related factors. The medical risk rating is based on COVID-19 compliance and recovery and prevention measures, infectious disease, environmental factors based on climate trends, security risk rating, available evacuation data, availability of emergency medical services, cultural and religious medical care, scientific quality of pharmaceutical supplies, and cultural, language or administrative barriers.</p>	<p>Quality medical care is available throughout the country. Specialist care, emergency and dental services, and quality prescription drugs are widely available. Low risk of infectious diseases.</p>	<p>Quality medical care is available from selected providers. Reliable emergency services, limited specialist and dental care are usually available. Some risk of food or water-borne diseases. Availability of life-saving infectious disease such as malaria and tuberculosis is low.</p>	<p>Significant variation of low-to-medium risk. Quality medical care, emergency services, and dental care is available from medical providers in major cities, including prescription drugs. Poor and water-borne infections are common. Potential for infectious diseases such as malaria, typhoid and cholera may periodically pose a threat.</p>	<p>Basic emergency services, medical and dental care may be available. Specialist care is limited and may be difficult to obtain. Quality prescription drugs may not be available. Food and water-borne infections are common. Potential for the following infectious diseases such as malaria, typhoid and cholera may periodically pose a threat.</p>	<p>Healthcare is almost non-existent or severely overstretched. There may be very limited or no primary care, emergency care or dental services. Quality prescription drugs are not readily available. Food and water-borne infections are common. Potential for the following infectious diseases such as malaria and cholera may be periodically present and/or outbreaks may occur.</p>

SECURITY RISK RATING DEFINITIONS	INSIGNIFICANT SECURITY RISK	LOW SECURITY RISK	MEDIUM SECURITY RISK	HIGH SECURITY RISK	EXTREME SECURITY RISK	REGIONAL VARIATIONS
<p>The security risk rating establishes the threat posed to employees by political violence, including terrorism, organised crime, civil unrest, and other security risks. Other factors, such as the stability of the government, the level of corruption, the effectiveness of the security and emergency services and the country's susceptibility to natural disasters, are also considered when they are a risk we might wish to impact the overall risk assessment for employees.</p>	<p>States of violence are rare. There is no significant political violence or civil unrest and no infectious or political violence or civil unrest. If terrorism is a threat, groups have limited operational capabilities, and acts of terrorism are rare. Security and emergency services are effective and infrastructure is sound. Standard with good safety records and only occasional large disruptions. Industrial action affecting essential services is rare.</p>	<p>Violent crime rates are low and civil, industrial or political violence or civil unrest is uncommon. If terrorism is a threat, groups have limited operational capabilities, and acts of terrorism are rare. Security and emergency services are effective and infrastructure is sound. Standard with good safety records and only occasional large disruptions. Industrial action and transport disruption are infrequent.</p>	<p>Periodic political/religious violence, protests, terrorism and/or sporadic acts of terrorism occur. Traffic and international emergency services may be slow from civil unrest, or local violence and violent crime. Capacity of security and emergency services and infrastructure varies. Industrial action can disrupt travel.</p>	<p>Protests are frequently violent and may target or disrupt facilities. They may be spearheaded by government forces, including security or law enforcement capacity. Violent crime and terrorism pose significant direct or indirect risks to facilities and international employees. Criminal, religious or racial violence is common and responses may be directly targeted. Certain parts of the country are inaccessible or unsafe to the traveller.</p>	<p>Government control and law and order may be limited or non-existent across large areas. Serious threat of violent protests or armed groups targeting travellers and international employees. Government and transport services are barely functional. Large parts of the country are inaccessible to foreigners.</p>	<p>Security Risk Zones are areas within a country where the risk posed by terrorism and international employees are different from the country's overall risk environment, usually necessitating a different level of preparation.</p>