Country Profile: Ghana

Ghana is a developing country on the West Coast of Africa. The capital is Accra. Facilities for tourism are available in the population centers of the greater Accra region, Kumasi in the Ashanti region, and in the Cape Coast area of the Central region, but they are limited in the more remote areas of the country. Read the Department of State Background Notes on Ghana for additional information.

COUNTRY OVERVIEW

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Country Name:	Ghana
Continent:	Africa
Capital City:	Accra
Boundary Countries:	Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, Togo
Recommended Hospitals in Capital:	37 Military Hospital, Agyakwa Hospital Ltd., Akai House Clinic, Aneeja Surgical & Medical Clinic, Health Works, Holy Trinity Medical Centre, Jubail Specialist Hospital, Nyaho Clinic, St. Peters Clinic, Trust Hospital
Main Cities:	Accra, Tamale, Cape Coast,Kumasi,Ho, Tema
Country Size:	239,460 sq km
Population:	22,409,572

COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

Language:	English (official), African languages (including Akan, Moshi-Dagomba, Ewe, and Ga)	
Currency:	cedi (GHC)	
Predominant Religions:	Christian 63%, Muslim 16%, indigenous beliefs 21%	
National Holidays:	Independance Day, 6 March (1957)	
Economic Status:	Ghana is a developing country on the West Coast of Africa. Well endowed with natural resources, Ghana has roughly twice the per capita output of the poorest countries in West Africa. Even so, Ghana remains heavily dependent on international financial and technical assistance.	
Security:	Ghanaian Army, Ghanaian Navy, Ghanaian Air Force	
US Presence:	U.S. Embassy in Accra No. 24, Fourth Circular Rd., Cantonments, Accra P.O. Box GP 2288 Accra, Ghana Phone: +233 (0) 30 274 1000	
Major Airports:	Airports: 12, Airports w/paved runways: 7 Kotoka International Airport Tema, Ghana, Torman Street Fishing Harbor Road, Kaas Fisheries Building, PO Box co 1819, Tema, GHANA Tel: +233 22 206862, +233 020 812 5127 Fax: +233 22 206862 E-mail: centre-gcaa@ighmail.com Website: www.gcaa.com.gh	

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