



Country Profile: Antigua and Barbuda

Antigua and Barbuda is a dual island nation known for its beaches, and is a favorite destination for yachtsmen. Tourist facilities are widely available. English is the primary language. Banking facilities and ATMs are available throughout the island. Read the Department of State [Background Notes](#) on Antigua and Barbuda for additional information.

COUNTRY OVERVIEW



Country Name:	Antigua & Barbuda
Continent:	Caribbean
Capital City:	Saint John's
Boundary Countries:	
Recommended Hospitals in Capital:	Adelin Medical Centre, Antigua SDA Dental Clinic, Fiennes Institute, Holberton Hospital, Mount St. John's Hospital
Main Cities:	Saint John's, English Harbour Town, Codrington (Barbuda)
Country Size:	442.6 sq km (Antigua 280 sq km; Barbuda 161 sq km), note: includes Redonda, 1.6 sq km
Population:	69,481

COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

Language:	English (official), local dialects
Currency:	East Caribbean dollar (XCD)
Predominant Religions:	Anglican 25.7%, Seventh Day Adventist 12.3%, Pentecostal 10.6%, Moravian 10.5%, Roman Catholic 10.4%, Methodist 7.9%, Baptist 4.9%, Church of God 4.5%, other Christian 5.4%, other 2%, none or unspecified 5.8%
National Holidays:	Independence Day (National Day), 1 November (1981)
Economic Status:	Tourism continues to dominate the economy, accounting for more than half of GDP. Antigua and Barbuda is a dual island nation known for its beaches, and is a favorite destination for yachtsmen.
Security:	Royal Antigua and Barbuda Defense Force
US Presence:	<p>Consular Services for Antigua and Barbuda are covered by the U.S. Embassy in Bridgetown, Barbados, which is located in the Wildey Business Park in suburban Wildey, southeast of downtown Bridgetown. The Consular Section can be reached by telephone at 246-227-4193, by fax at 246-431-0179, or by e-mail. After hours the Embassy Duty Officer can be reached by calling 246-227-4000. Hours of operation are 8:30a- 4:00p, Monday - Friday, except local and US holidays.</p> <p>The US Embassy maintains a Consular Agency in Antigua, located at Suite #2 Jasmine Court, Friars Hill Road, St. John's. The phone number is 268-463-6531, and the Consular Agent can also be reached via cell phone at 268-726-6531. The Agent can assist with routine American Citizens Services and with American citizen emergencies taking place in Antigua and Barbuda.</p>
Major Airports:	<p>Airports: 3, Airports w/paved runways: 2</p> <p>Antigua Airport, Antigua & Barbuda, PO Box 1051, Coolidge, Antigua, ANTIGUA & BARBUDA Tel: +1 268 462-0358, (Handling Services) +1 268 562-0302 Fax: +1 268 462-0642, +1 268 562-3042 Email: vcbia@candw.ag Telex: 2127 OFPREM AK</p>

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