

# Ghana

## Information for applicants

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Ghana is located in the Gulf of Guinea, where the Atlantic Ocean meets the shores of the West African nations to the north and the east. The country borders Côte d'Ivoire to the west, Togo to the east and, further inland, Burkina Faso to the north and west. The official language is English. Currency: New cedi (GHS).

### Medical care

Health care provision varies greatly across the country. Urban areas are well served, with the most hospitals, clinics and chemists.

### Living locally, finding accommodation

The general price level in Ghana has been rising steadily for years. This is especially true of the now overstretched housing market in the southern regions, most notably in the conurbations of Accra/Tema and Kumasi. As is common practice in most African countries, it is typical for rents in Ghana to be paid in hard currency one to two years in advance.

### Shops and services

There are good shopping facilities in Ghana, including shopping malls in Accra.

### Climate

Generally speaking, Ghana has a tropical climate, though temperatures fluctuate depending on the season and altitude. The eastern coastal region is largely warm and relatively dry, while the south-west is hot and humid, and the north hot and dry. Average temperatures range from 21 to 28°C, with relative humidity of 77 to 85%. There are two main seasons: a rainy season and a dry season.

### Accompanying partners

As a resident in Ghana, it is necessary to apply for a work permit. The application must be submitted by the employer. Work permits and residence permits are issued together.

### Schools

Accra has a number of international schools.

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