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# Information for applicants

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Togo is a coastal country in West Africa, located on the Gulf of Guinea, bordering Ghana in the west, Benin in the east and Burkina Faso in the north. The national capital and seat of government is Lomé. The official language is French, and the currency is the West African franc CFA (XOF).

## **Medical care**

The medical services and availability of pharmaceuticals are adequate. Lomé has many doctors, as well as state and private clinics.

# Living locally, finding accommodation

There is no shortage of accommodation on the market, and you can find a good and inexpensive choice with a real estate agent.

# Shops and services

The range of goods (e.g. foodstuffs) available is very extensive, especially in Lomé. Many imported European products are available, so there is very little you will miss. The local fruit and fish on offer is simply outstanding. However, that should not stop you also sampling the delicacies of Togolese cuisine.

#### Climate

The climate in Togo is tropical and humid all year-round, with average temperatures of around 30°C, decreasing only slightly at night. The hottest months are February and March. In December and January, the dusty Harmattan trade wind blows from the north and creates unusual weather conditions.

# **Accompanying partners**

GIZ Togo strives to find employment for accompanying partners. Our country office and Country Director provide them with information and support when they arrive in the country.

### Schools and childcare

Togo is a very child-friendly country. There are international English and French-language schools and kindergartens in Lomé.

#### Good to know

Togo is an insider tip and has only been a partner country again since 2012. German development cooperation, which is greatly appreciated by the Togolese side, is in a growth and development phase, and therefore harbours great potential. There is great interest in the support offered by GIZ, and it is readily accepted. The Togolese partners often have an extremely positive image of Germany.



## Find out more

https://www.auswaertigesamt.de/en/aussenpolitik/laenderinformationen/togonode

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