

Travel Advisory

France



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Exercise increased caution

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Exercise increased caution in France due to **terrorism** and **civil unrest**.

Country Summary: Terrorist groups continue plotting possible attacks in France. Terrorists may attack with little or no warning, targeting tourist locations, transportation hubs, markets/shopping malls, local government facilities, hotels, clubs, restaurants, places of worship, parks, major sporting and cultural events, educational institutions, airports, and other public areas.

Incidents such as pickpocketing and phone snatchings occur frequently and can happen anywhere, especially in crowded areas such as airports, train stations, subway and train cars, and near tourist attractions.

Peaceful demonstrations and strikes in Paris and other cities throughout France occur regularly and can disrupt transportation. On rare occasions, demonstrations have included violence and property damage and police have responded with water cannons and tear gas.

Read the [country information page](#) for additional information on travel to France.

If you decide to travel to France:

- Be aware of your surroundings when traveling to tourist locations and large crowded public venues.
- Avoid demonstrations and areas with significant police activity.
- Follow the instructions of local authorities including movement restrictions related to any ongoing police action.
- Find a safe location and shelter in place if unable to leave the vicinity of a demonstration.
- Monitor local media for breaking events and adjust your plans based on new information.
- Enroll in the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#) to receive Alerts and make it easier to locate you in an emergency.
- Follow the Department of State on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).
- Review the [Country Security Report](#) for France.
- Visit the CDC page for the latest [Travel Health Information](#) related to your travel.
- Prepare a contingency plan for emergency situations. Review the [Traveler's Checklist](#).