



United States Embassy Guatemala, Guatemala City
Security Message for U.S. Citizens:
Mexican Demonstrations Impede Border Crossing
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The U.S. Embassy Guatemala informs U.S. citizens that demonstrations throughout southern Mexico have affected border crossings between Guatemala and Mexico. Police reports from San Marcos and Huehuetenango indicate that vehicle traffic is unable to cross the border, although pedestrian traffic is still flowing. Police reports indicate that demonstrations may last through the weekend.

Even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and escalate into violence. You should avoid areas of demonstrations, and exercise caution if in the vicinity of any large gatherings, protests, or demonstrations.

For further information about security in Guatemala:

- See the [State Department's travel website](#) for the [Worldwide Caution](#), Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Guatemala [Country Specific Information for Guatemala](#).
- Enroll in the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#) to receive security messages and make it easier to locate you in an emergency.
- Contact the U.S. Embassy in Guatemala, located at Avenida Reforma 7-01, Zona 10, at (502) 2326-4000, Mondays and Tuesdays from 8:30 to 12:00 and from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.; Wednesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 and from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.; Fridays from 7:30 to 10:00 a.m. After-hours emergency number for U.S. citizens is (502) 2331-2354.
- Call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).