

1. The U.S. Department of State continues to warn U.S. citizens of increased threats from terrorist groups throughout Turkey and to avoid travel to southeastern Turkey. The U.S. Department of State is updating this Travel Warning to reflect the July 25, 2016, decision to authorize the voluntary departure of family members of employees posted to the U.S. Embassy in Ankara and U.S. Consulate General in Istanbul, Turkey. The Department of State made this decision following the July 15 attempted coup and subsequent declaration by the Turkish government of a 90-day State of Emergency. The Department continues to monitor the effect of these developments on the overall security situation in the country and advises U.S. citizens to reconsider travel to Turkey at this time. During this period, U.S. citizens in Turkey may see an increase in police or military activities and restrictions on movement.

2. This replaces the Travel Warning dated July 18, 2016.

3. Foreign and U.S. tourists have been explicitly targeted by international and indigenous terrorist organizations. As stated in the [Worldwide Caution](#) dated March 3, 2016, throughout Europe extremists have targeted large sporting events, theatres, open markets, aviation services, transportation systems, and public venues where people congregate as well as religious sites and high-profile events. U.S. citizens are reminded to review personal security plans and remain vigilant at all times. U.S. government personnel in Turkey remain subject to travel restrictions in the southeastern provinces of Hatay, Kilis, Gaziantep, Sanliurfa, Sirnak, Diyarbakir, Van, Siirt, Mus, Mardin, Batman, Bingol, Tunceli, Hakkari, Bitlis, and Elazig. U.S. citizens should avoid areas in close proximity to the Syrian border.

4. The Department of State will extend its March 29, 2016 ordered departure of family members of U.S. government personnel posted to the U.S. Consulate in Adana and family members of U.S. government civilians in Izmir province. The U.S. Consulate in Adana remains open and will continue to provide all routine consular services.

For your safety:

- Avoid travel to southeastern Turkey, particularly near the Syrian border.
- Stay away from large crowds, including at popular tourist destinations.
- Exercise heightened vigilance and caution when visiting public access areas, especially those heavily frequented by tourists.
- Stay away from political gatherings and rallies.
- Follow the instructions of local authorities in an emergency.
- Stay at hotels with identifiable security measures in place.
- Monitor local media.

For further detailed information regarding Turkey and travel:

- See the [State Department's travel website](#) for the [Worldwide Caution](#), [Travel Warnings](#), [Travel Alerts](#), and [Turkey's Country Specific Information](#).
- Enroll in the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#) to receive security messages and help us locate you in an emergency.
- Contact the [U.S. Embassy in Ankara](#), located at 110 Ataturk Boulevard, Kavaklidere, 06100 Ankara, at [+90-312-455-5555](#), 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The after-hours emergency number for U.S. citizens is [+90-312-455-5555](#) or [+90-212-335-9000](#) (U.S. Consulate General Istanbul).
- Contact the [U.S. Consulate General in Istanbul](#), located at 2 Uçsehitler Sokagi, 34460, Istinye, Sariyer, at [+90-212-335-9000](#).
- Contact the [U.S. Consulate in Adana](#), located at 212 Girne Bulvari, Guzelevler Mahallesi, Yuregir, Adana at [+90-322-455-4100](#).
- Contact the Consular Agency in Izmir at Izmir@state.gov.
- 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.

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