

OIE Information & Travel Cheat Sheet



Country:

Australia (AU)

Sex & Dating

- Dating culture is considered progressive & accepting, generally relaxed
- Sex is not typically considered a taboo topic
- In 2022, stronger consent laws were passed
 - People must give & obtain consent at time of interaction, not in advance or after

Alcohol & Drugs

- Legal age to buy/consume alcohol: 18
 - Alcohol laws differ between states & territories, including where you can use
- Cannabis (marijuana) use is illegal
 - Medicinal use permitted under conditions

LGBTQIA+ Culture

- AU is considered progressive & accepting
- Sex Discrimination Act (1984) protects LGBTQIA+ rights to anyone on Australian soil, including international students
- Resources:
 - Australian LGBTI Uni Guide
 - Rainbow Network
 - Queerspace, Queeryouth

Cultural Customs and Norms

- Population: 25 million
- Currency: Australian dollar (AUD)
- Official Language: English
 - Over 200 languages spoken!
 - Greetings are typically more casual
 - Self-deprecating humor/colorful language is commonly used

Resources

000 General Emergency / **106** Emergency for those with hearing/speech impairment

+61 Australia country code

- [DU's Travel Assistance](#)
 - Phone: +1 443-569-8601 / Website: [dutravelassistanceprovider](#)
 - Please use DU credentials to sign in
- Student Support Program (My SSP): 24/7 Mental Health Support
- U.S. Department of State Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP): [travel.state.gov](#)



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