

# OIE Information & Travel Cheat Sheet

## Country:

Argentina (AR)

### Sex & Dating

- Machismo is less prevalent now than before but is still a part of everyday life, with catcalling and harassment
- Predominantly Roman Catholic, and urban areas / rural values can be quite different
- Communication typically involves indirectness, with limited personal space

### Alcohol & Drugs

- Legal age to buy/consume alcohol: 18
  - Drinking in public is legal in general
- Cannabis (marijuana) recreational and medicinal use is decriminalized in some areas
  - Taking steps towards legalization

### LGBTQIA+ Culture

- AR was the first country in Latin America to legalize same-sex marriages
- Comprehensive transgender rights laws
- Buenos Aires has many queer spaces
- Resources
  - Rainbow SIG
  - Diversity Abroad
  - OutRight Action International

### Cultural Customs and Norms

- Population: 46 million
- Currency: Argentine peso
- Official Language: Spanish
  - Many know English
- "Usted" is expected in formal situations, with more communal situations utilizing "vos"
- Common to greet others with a kiss

## Resources

**101** General Emergency country-wide / **911** (Buenos Aires)

**+54** Country code

- International SOS
  - DU Membership Number: 11BSGC000067
  - Phone: 215.942.8478 / Website: [internationalsos.com](https://www.internationalsos.com)
- Student Support Program (My SSP): 24/7 Mental Health Support
- U.S. Department of State Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP): [travel.state.gov](https://travel.state.gov)



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