

# Know before you go Qatar



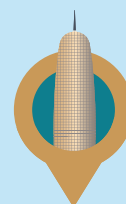
Population: 2.9 Million | Currency: Qatari Riyal QR (QAR) | Capital City: Doha



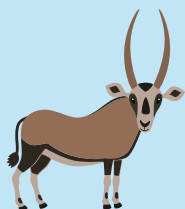
**Official language**  
Arabic



**Greeting**  
Salam



**Most popular city for expats and tourists**  
Doha



**National animal**  
Arabian Oryx



**Famous national food**  
Saloona, Machboos, Harees



**Tipping**  
If no tip is included, 10% - 15% is appreciated in restaurants

## Cost of living & travel in Doha



- **Standard city one-way bus ticket:** 2 – 4 QAR
- **Monthly transport pass:** 200 – 350 QAR
- **Taxi fare:** 4 QAR (initial charge); 1.20 – 1.80 QAR (per km)



- **Standard pint of beer:** 45 - 50 QAR
- **3-course meal for 2 people:** 250 – 400 QAR



- **Typical hotel for 2 adults:** 650 – 700 QAR (per night)
- **Average rent for 1-bedroom apartment in the city:** 4,500 – 6,000 QAR (per month)



- **Doctor's visit:** 150 – 300 QAR (15 minutes)

Costs are based on average in Doha in July 2021; costs will vary from region to region.

## Celebrating culture in Qatar



**National holiday**  
National Qatar Day  
on 18th December



**Notable landmarks**  
Doha Tower, Al Zubara Fort

**National sport**  
Football

