

USEFUL INFORMATION

Exchange rates - Dollars are accepted almost everywhere and you will get your change in pesos. The exchange rate varies every day, but some places have a set rate.

Cash or Card? - Visa, Mastercard and American Express credit cards are generally accepted, but you often run into cash only places. Always ask beforehand and carry cash. Your bank will most likely charge you international transaction fees if you pay with your card.

ATMs - The easiest way to get pesos is to simply withdraw money from an ATM in Los Cabos. Bank ATMs give the daily exchange rate (best possible rate). Examples include Banorte, Bancomer, Santander, Banamex, and HSBC. Non-bank ATMs located in the street will charge higher fees. Some ATMs only give you dollars, some only pesos and some give you the option to withdraw both. Pay close attention to what currency you're withdrawing and try to get as much cash as possible in one transaction to avoid paying high fees.

Buying groceries - In Cabo San Lucas, Wal-Mart and Costco are good options and easy to get to. You can always find a taxi outside of these stores. San José has a Wal-Mart and Mega. If you just need to grab something quickly, OXXO stores are small, reasonably priced convenient stores located all over town.

HOW DO I DIAL?

The local area code is 624

To dial to other countries: 00 + country code (1, 2 or 3 digits) + number

From a Mexican land line or cell phone:

To a Mexican long distance number: 01 + 3 digit area code + 7 digit number

To a Mexican cell phone number: 3 digit area code + 7 digit number

To a U.S. phone number: 00 + 1 + 3 digit area code + 7 digit number

From your U.S. cell phone:

To a Mexican land line or cell phone: 011 52 + 3 digit area code + number

To a U.S. phone number: 00 + 1 + 3 digit area code + number

Some U.S. cell phone carriers have arrangements with Mexican carriers and when you travel here your cell phone uses their towers. If this is your case, you will have to dial as if you had a Mexican phone.

U.S. TOLL FREE NUMBERS (International rates will apply)

To a 1 (800): 00 + 1 + 880 + phone number

To a 1 (888): 00 + 1 + 881 + phone number

To a 1 (877): 00 + 1 + 882 + phone number

To a 1 (866): 00 + 1 + 883 + phone number

Spanish lesson:

Art - Arte
Sculpture - Escultura
Culture - Cultura
Artist - Artista
Movie - Película
Action - Acción
Ticket - Boleto
Popcorn - Palomitas
Actor - Actor

Verb conjugation:
To See - Mirar
I - Yo - Miro
You - Tú - Miras
He - Él - Mira
She - Ella - Mira
We - Nosotros - Miramos
You - Ustedes - Miran
They - Ellos - Miran