Logistic Profile
Dominican Republic
LOCATION

The Dominican Republic is an island nation located at the center of the Caribbean between the islands of Cuba and Puerto Rico. To the north, it is bordered by the Atlantic Ocean, the Caribbean Sea to the south, the Mona Passage to the east, and the Republic of Haiti to the west.

It has a surface area of 48,442 square kilometers and is divided in 31 provinces and one national district. The country’s capital is Santo Domingo de Guzmán and is located in its southeastern region.

CLIMATE

Due to its geographical location, the Dominican Republic has a tropical climate with plenty of rainfall, mainly between the months of May and November. The hurricane season extends from June 1st to November 30th. The average yearly temperature is between 25°C and 30°C, with significant variation in the mountainous regions, where temperatures as low as 5°C can be registered during winter.

CURRENCY

The official currency is the Dominican peso, whose exchange rate for January and February 2019 is projected between RD$50 and RD$51 per US dollar, approximately.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Spanish.

MAIN HOTELS IN SANTO DOMINGO DE GUZMÁN

The city of Santo Domingo de Guzmán counts with a great variety of options for lodging, including hotels, hostels, and short-term rental properties through platforms like Airbnb. Some hotels are:

- **El Embajador, a Royal Hideaway Hotel**
  Ave. Sarasota #65, Bella Vista.

- **Real Intercontinental Hotel**

- **JW Marriott**

- **Casas del XVI**
  Calle Padre Billini #252, Ciudad Colonial.

- **Billini Hotel**
  Calle Padre Billini #256-258, Ciudad Colonial.

- **Hodelpa Nicolás de Ovando**
  Calle Las Damas, Ciudad Colonial.

- **Renaissance Santo Domingo Jaragua**
  Ave. George Washington #367.

- **Sheraton Santo Domingo**
Barceló Santo Domingo
Ave. Máximo Gómez #53, esq. 27 de Febrero, Gazcue.

Hotel W&P Santo Domingo
Ave. Sarasota #53, Bella Vista.

**MAIN HOSPITALS**

Among the main hospitals of Santo Domingo to assist in case of need are:

**Centro de Diagnóstico, Medicina Avanzada y Telemedicina (CEDIMAT)**
Ave. Ortega y Gasset esq. República de Paraguay, Ensanche La Fe.

**Hospital General Plaza de Salud**
Ave. Ortega y Gasset esq. República de Paraguay, Ensanche La Fe.

**Clínica Abreu**
Calle Arzobispo Portes #853, Ciudad Nueva.

**Centro de Medicina Avanzada Dr. Abel González**

**Centro Médico UCE**
Ave. Máximo Gómez #66, La Esperilla.

**ENTRY AND TRANSPORTATION**

The encouraged port of entry for tourists visiting Santo Domingo is Las Americas International Airport (SDQ), located east of the city Santo Domingo de Guzmán. A secondary port of entry is Dr. Joaquín Balaguer International Airport (JBQ), located north of Santo Domingo de Guzmán.

Although the city has a wide network of public transportation service, for the occasion taxi companies are recommended, which can be contacted through the hotels themselves, by telephone or by mobile applications such as Uber.

One of the most recognized companies is: **Apolo Taxi**, (809) 537-0000