

Introduction: The lands that today comprise Croatia were part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire until the end of World War I. In 1918, the Croats, Serbs, and Slovenes formed a kingdom known after 1929 as Yugoslavia. Croatia declared its independence from Yugoslavia in 1991 and joined the EU in 2013.

Cultural Practices: People tend to dress neatly and modestly. Wearing overly casual clothing in public may be considered inappropriate. Croatians value politeness, respect, and formality in professional settings. Building personal relationships is often appreciated, and punctuality is important in business interactions.

Tipping Guidelines: Tips are often included in restaurant bills, but, if not, add 10%; loose change or rounding up to the next convenient number is acceptable at bars. A tip of 15-20 kuna per bag for a hotel porter to deliver luggage to your room is appreciated. A daily tip of 15-20 kuna for housekeeping is considered to be good. Taxi drivers are not usually tipped.

Climate: Croatia has a Mediterranean climate along the coast, with hot, dry summers and mild, wet winters. Inland regions experience a continental climate with colder winters and warm summers.

Religion: Roman Catholic 86.3%, Orthodox 4.4%, other Christian 0.3%, Muslim 1.5%, other 0.9%, none 6.6%

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General facts:

Regional Division Southeastern Europe

Capital Zagreb

Airport Code / Airport Name ZAG / Zagreb Franjo Tudman Airport

Country Code 2 digits / 3 digits HR / HRV
Population 4,115,116
Language (Major Languages) Croatian

Travel facts:

Telephone Code / Code Dial 385 Local Emergency Phone 112

International Driving Permit Suggested
Road Driving Side Right
Time Zone / Time Difference UTC +01:00

Currency Code / Exchange Rate \$->€ Euros (EUR) / 1\$:0,95€

Electricity / Voltage / Plug Type(s) 230 V / 50 Hz / C, F

Passport / Visa Requirements Yes / 90 days in 180 days

Working Permits for US Citizens Necessary

Filming incentives:

Film Commission National 20 - 25% cash rebate

Film Commission Federal Yes VFX Grant Yes

Working conditions:

Working hours per day 11 + break

Working hours per week 55
Working days per week 5
Overtime +50%

Breaks 60 min after 5th hour

Turnaround 12 hours
Fringes / self-employed self-employed

Unions common but not mandatory

Filming infrastructure:

Crews internationally experienced, English speaking Equipment equipped with cutting-edge equipment

Studios in the following cities Zagreb and surroundings

Themed backlot sets include Specials -

Landscape & Architecture: Coastline (Adria), Historic, picturesque coastal Landscapes, Roman Amphitheaters, medieval Fortresses, baroque Churches, Metropolitan, Lakes, Islands, untouched Nature, picturesque Cities. Architecture ranges from Roman and Gothic influences to Venetian, Renaissance, and modernist styles.