Agenda

- Main threats in Kinshasa
- Travel to Kinshasa
- Departure formalities
- Important contacts

Governor: Gentiny Ngobila Mbala

Area: 9 965 km²

Population: 17.07 million (2021)

Coordinates: 4° 19′ 30″ South
15° 19′ 20″ East

Name of Inhabitants: Kinois

Province: Kinshasa
Main threats - Gombe area

- Crime
- Civil unrest
- Dangers/Hazards
Shegués Vs Kulunas

- Crime rate on the rise
- The Kulunas are involved in street crime armed with knives, mostly at night
- Shegués are more involved in opportunistic crimes, often committed during the day (pickpockets).

**Hot spots:** Main avenues in Gombe, and isolated areas outside Gombe
Kidnapping / Physical assault

- **Abductions from** taxis and buses are fairly frequent
- **Criminals** target their victims indiscriminately and sometimes and ask for ransoms from relatives
- **Physical assaults** are a fairly new phenomenon (at the beginning of 2023), particularly targeting foreigners. Several cases have been reported in Gombe
Tips crime

- Keeping a low profile
- Minimise travel after 6 p.m. and avoid all travel outside the commune of Gombe
- Take extra care during rush hour (vehicles, places frequented by expatriates, crossroads, traffic jams)
- Always drive with the windows closed and the doors locked.
- To obey when threatened, do not resist.
- Keep communications equipment operational
- Save emergency contacts (keep a hard copy), scan essential documents
- Do not use public transport
- Avoid going out and walking alone even for a short distance in Gombe.
Increase expected in the short term

- **Upcoming elections:** Persistent lack of consensus on the Electoral Commission office, bench of the Constitutional Court, electoral process, etc..

- **Inflation:** Increase in the price of basic goods and services

- **Anti-Rwanda demonstrations**

- **Anti-United Nations demonstrations**

- **Working conditions:** Salary arrears ....
Civil unrest tips

- Follow alerts and local media
- Bypass ALL gatherings and plan movements accordingly, with the support of the Security Coordinator
- Shelter in place if necessary
- Keep your phone charged at all times

- **Saturday 17 June:** Opposition meeting / rally at the Terrain Sainte Thérese in Ndjili (East exit of the city towards the airport).
- **Wednesday 21 June:** Peaceful march by the opposition to contest the electoral process, which they deem to be flawed.
- **Monday 26 June:** Opening of offices to receive and process candidacies
CATEGORY OF THREAT
DANGERS/HAZARDS: MODERATE

- **Road traffic accident**
  - Increased risk of accidents due to driving habits, the number and condition of vehicles, certain roads and other factors (street lighting, etc.).
  - In the event of an accident, difficulties related to medical care and emergency responses
  - Potential risk of lynching by angry crowds in the event of a serious accident
  - Caution is advised in the event of an accident involving a motorbike taxi driver; they are quick to attack and often behave like outlaws.
**CATEGORY OF THREAT**

**DANGERS/HAZARDS: MODERATE**

- **Road accident: Tips**

  - Minimising travel after dark
  - Allow plenty of time for travel;
  - Exercise extreme caution in heavy traffic
  - In the event of an accident, contact the Safety Coordinator / UNDSS immediately.
  - Only leave the scene of the accident if you are exposed to an imminent threat or if you see a crowd forming.
Paederus dermatitis (Skin burn)

- Caused by a beetle of the genus paederus known as **EKONDA (CARA-CARA)**
- About the size of a large ant, the insect appears in the dry season and likes bright spots.
- The insect releases a highly corrosive toxin called "**pederin**" when crushed
- Between 12 and 36 hours after contact with the toxin, small vesicles form on the area affected by the liquid;
- These vesicles form second-degree burns which are neither fatal nor contagious, but painful. They may last two to three weeks.
Paederus tips dermatitis

- Do not crush the insect against your skin.
- Should this happen inadvertently, wash your hands and the affected area thoroughly with mild soap, and treat the affected area as you would any other skin burn;
- Use a soothing cream such as Biafine or Dexeryl several times a day.
- Toothpaste is also effective in treating burns caused by contact with pederine, by applying it to the affected area;
- Avoid scratching the affected area, as this may aggravate the situation.
- If the wound becomes very visible or if contact is close to the eyes, consult a doctor.
Travel within Kinshasa

CARNAYO: Google Play Apps
Call Centre: +243 81 298 6852 (Calls & WhatsApp)

MAAJABU CABB: AppStore & Google Play
Call Center: +243 854 350 000 (Calls & WhatsApp)
Departure formalities

N'djili airport

- 55 USD in cash for the GoPass (airport tax)
- COVID and yellow fever vaccination card + other travel documents

Avoid withdrawing cash from cash dispensers in public places

Beach Ngobila

- $5 to $10 for minor expenses (luggage control, porter....)
- COVID and yellow fever vaccination card + other travel documents
Summary tables for departures

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Support & Information contacts

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Thank you