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Port-au-Prince, Haiti	Sydney, Australia
<p>Haiti is on an island in the Caribbean. The climate is tropical.</p> <p>People in Haiti love to listen to music. Most people have access to radios and listen to them throughout the day. Fewer people own televisions. Storytelling is strong in Haitian culture and is an enjoyed family pastime. Traditional beliefs strongly influence health and plant- or food-based remedies are heavily relied on.</p> <p>This capital city is very dangerous due to crime, civil unrest and kidnapping. The medical facilities, including ambulance services, are scarce and generally sub-standard. Life-threatening emergencies often require evacuation to a point outside of Haiti by air ambulance at the patient's expense. Traffic is extremely chaotic and is frequently congested in urban areas. Lanes are not marked, and signs indicating the flow of traffic seldom exist. Roads are generally unmarked, and detailed, accurate maps are not widely available.</p> <p>The majority of the population lives in poverty and the country has had difficulty recovering from a catastrophic earthquake in 2010. Many homes are single rooms that do not have electricity or running water, and the restroom is located outside of the home. Since the earthquake, there had been an increase in foreign medical aid.</p>	<p>Sydney is a large urban city in Australia. It is on the coast. The climate is mild and sunny.</p> <p>There is comprehensive public transportation, and many people bicycle. There is a large network of coin-operated public toilets around the city.</p> <p>There are many hospitals currently being built in Australia to provide more and better treatment to patients. There are currently 220 health care facilities, and health care is free to Australian citizens and permanent residents. Hospital performance is recorded and reported by the Bureau of Health Information.</p> <p>There are billions of dollars being invested in the local infrastructure, including light rail expansion projects. New construction is highly visible throughout downtown.</p> <p>The cost of living is high and students and visitors are encouraged to plan accordingly.</p>
<p>Sênmônôŭrôm, Cambodia</p> <p>Sen Monorom is a rural district located in inland Cambodia. The climate follows the monsoon season and is hot. Since the end of a civil conflict in 1998, there has been significant development in health care in Cambodia. However, there are significant inequalities between rural and urban access and quality of health care. Paying for health care in rural areas can be a catastrophic burden for people. Emergency medical care is scarce to non-existent. There are no reliable ambulance services.</p> <p>While Cambodia is generally not considered very dangerous with crime outside of the capital, there are undetonated land mines throughout the rural parts of the country. People should not walk in forested areas or dry rice paddies, and should stay on paths.</p> <p>Driving is hazardous and chaotic. There are many drunk and distracted drivers and the roads are shared with livestock.</p> <p>Tap water is untreated and there are stray animals that carry rabies, which is often untreated.</p>	<p>Tofino, Canada</p> <p>Tofino is a rural district on Vancouver Island off of Canada's West coast. The region has a marine temperate climate.</p> <p>Health care is prioritized in the area, although the region's needs are diverse and culturally distinct. The government recognizes that people are concerned about vaccines and there have been recent confirmed measles cases in the area. Health care services are comprehensive and include preventative, pediatric, assisted living, aboriginal, surgical, mental health, and long-term care.</p> <p>There is an active arts and surfing community with many annual festival and celebrations. During the spring and summer, there is a significant increase in tourism as it is considered a resort destination.</p> <p>There is little traffic, and the town is approximately three hours from the next nearest town of Port Alberni. There is only one main road into Tofino. Other than driving, people access the town by air into a small airport.</p>