

## Vaccinations

It is best to have a smallpox vaccination certificate, which may be requested at the border. If you are coming from a contaminated area, vaccination against cholera and yellow fever may be required.

## Transportation

The urban public transportation systems are overburdened. There is less of a problem for longer distances. Air travel is the most practical; however, reservations should be made for some destinations. Be careful about flights toward the southern part of the country, which, except for those to Tamanrasset, are sometimes uncertain.

You can get from the airport to downtown Algiers by taxi; the trip should cost around 100 dinars. Taxis are the best way to get around the cities; in Algiers, part of the system is radio dispatched (telephone: 58.99.99). If you have a number of appointments, it is preferable to negotiate an overall rate (expect to pay about 60 dinars/hour) for half a day or a whole day, because cabs are not always available when needed. There is also a car rental service, which may be useful for travelling outside the large urban centres; however, cars must be reserved in advance, the cost is fairly high and the service is poor.

## Hotels

Registers and cards: the hotels keep a record of the client's identification (card number, issuing authority and date of issue).