

Consult our Country Profiles ([www.voyage.gc.ca/dest/ctry/profiles-en.asp](http://www.voyage.gc.ca/dest/ctry/profiles-en.asp)) for useful information and links to:

- ✓ the Country Travel Report;
- ✓ a detailed map, fact sheet and "e-thology";
- ✓ the Canadian government office(s) in the selected country;
- ✓ Cultural Insights, a snapshot of the social and cultural norms as well as the workplace environment that a Canadian might face working in a given country;
- ✓ other resources such as Aboriginal Planet, Canada and the Circumpolar World, Canada and the Commonwealth, and Canada in La Francophonie;
- ✓ trade and investment information from the Trade Commissioner Service.

If you are planning to work in the United States or Mexico, you should also read our booklets *U.S.A. Bound* and *México: ¿Qué pasa?*

Some countries experience ongoing wars, insurgencies or sporadic unrest. Find out if your destination is known to be dangerous. Consult the Travel Report for that country and the Current Issues section of our Web site for up-to-date information on safety and security conditions, health

issues, and entry and visa requirements for over 225 destinations.

When you are abroad, you will be able to tune in to Radio Canada International (RCI) for the latest news. RCI also broadcasts messages from the Canadian government during emergency situations.

### **What Documents Do You Need?** **Passport**

You and all family members must have a valid passport before taking up residence abroad. Remember, the practice of adding a child's name to a parent's passport is no longer permitted. This security measure is also intended to help protect children and combat child slavery and prostitution. (More information on children's issues is available at [www.voyage.gc.ca/alt/pubs.asp](http://www.voyage.gc.ca/alt/pubs.asp).) However, if you hold a valid Canadian passport issued before December 11, 2001, that bears the name of your child, the passport will remain valid for both you and your child until it expires or until your child reaches the age of 16, whichever comes first.

Application forms are available online at [www.ppt.gc.ca](http://www.ppt.gc.ca) (the Passport Office Web site), at passport offices and postal outlets in Canada, and at Canadian government offices abroad. The processing of an application accompanied by the required