



NETIZEN:Travel Tips



Welcome to Argentina
Our travel tips for ALAC newcomers
to navigate the local terrain
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<http://tinyurl.com/p94o2f7>

Cell phone usage in Argentina.

Argentina has three national operators:

Claro (América Móvil)

Movistar (Telefónica)

Personal (Telecom Argentina)

All three offer prepaid sim cards (referred to as 'chips' in Argentina) and they can be bought in hundreds of shops around the city. They sell the chips at around \$30 AR. All SIMS must be activated to be used. Once the number is activated, you can charge your new chip/sim at any automated vending machines around the city. You will see signs with a legend like "Cargamos Personal, Movistar, Claro", or look out for the orange vending machines in kiosk shops. For detail see this Link to full article.

<http://prepaid-data-sim-card.wikia.com/wiki/Argentina>

Public Transit:

There are a number of Apps, which include maps and other services. It seems this one, BA Subte is the best one for the subway and is available in both android and iOS versions. For other maps, the BA Offline Map and BA Map by City Maps are good. Both should be available on IOS and Android.

Public Transit

Fares can be paid with **SUBE** card, a top-up card used for travelling by train, bus, or metro inside the city. Interactive Bus Route

<http://www.omnilineas.com/argentina/buenos-aires/city-bus/>

The cheapest way to get downtown is to take the number 8 bus. The stop is just outside terminal B arrivals, you need to walk 100 m.



Taxi

Prepaid taxis (remises) from Ezeiza International Airport to downtown cost at least 250 pesos plus additional costs (mainly tolls). They are your simplest and safest transport from the airport. As you exit customs there are booths on either side of the receiving area of the airport. Some of the prepaid premises will provide you with a 20% discount coupon for your airport return.

Translation:

The free Google Translate app for iOS and Android devices offers impressive machine translation capabilities. You can translate text from images by using your camera phone, translate typed text and interpret spoken words and phrases. Learn more at <https://tinyurl.com/nvjhrb>. There are also a number of free and paid Apps that does this and is available on IOS and Android platforms.

Data Plans:

All 3 plans offer data rates for either smart phones or tablets. All 3 operators offer a daily (0-24h) "flat" rates for prepaid. For Claro & Movistar a 15MB block lasts till midnight and costs around \$3. For Personal it is \$1 for 10mb. In the Claro & Movistar plans you can add additional 15 Mbs per day for the same price if needed. Movistar seems to be simpler. If you don't add further blocks then you still have Internet access for the remainder of the day, but at a reduced speed of 32k for movistar and 128K for Claro.

Packages: Both Personal & Movistar offer a weekly plan for \$9.90 per week you get 10 MB per day for 7 days. For overuse you can switch to the daily plan, as after 10mb your speed will be reduced to 64k. See full article for how to get this plan, <http://prepaid-data-sim-card.wikia.com/wiki/Argentina>