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## Hajj 1439

### Hajj 1439H - estimated dates for this years Hajj pilgrimage

Hajj, the annual pilgrimage to Makkah (Mecca) in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia occurs between the 8th and 12th day of the twelfth month of the Islamic calendar every year. This year it is predicted that Hajj 1439H will take place between 19 and 24 August 2018 [1].

Umrah is a shorter, non-compulsory pilgrimage for Muslims, which is performed as part of the Hajj ritual, but can also be undertaken at any time. Many pilgrims choose to perform Umra during Ramadan (expected to start on 15 May and finish on 14 June) [2].

The Ministry of Health of the Kingdom Saudi Arabia publish their health requirements and recommendations for the annual Hajj and Umrah each year, usually a couple of months before Hajj occurs. TravelHealthPro's Hajj and Umrah factsheet will be updated as this new information becomes available.

## Resources

- [Factsheet: Hajj and Umrah for current travel health advice](#)

## References

1. [US Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Hajj and Umrah \[Accessed 11 May 2018\]](#)
2. [Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Foreign travel advice Saudi Arabia, local laws and customs. \[Accessed 11 May 2018\]](#)