



Retiring in Belize:

A myriad of reasons make Belize the place of choice for retirement.

Given the fact that English is the official language and that Spanish is also widely spoken, communication is a breeze in Belize. You'll have no problem communicating with your local grocer about your favorite seasonal fruits or to your doctor about that pain in your lower back.

The cost of living is also relatively low. Although the cost of many goods imported from the U.S. is expensive, with some adapting on your part, you can enjoy meals that are healthy and inexpensive. Locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables, for instance, are relatively inexpensive.

Health is of primary importance in the consideration by an individual who intends to relocate or retire to a foreign country. The cost of a typical visit to a general practitioner is about \$30.00 BZD or \$15.00 USD. With the completion of the new Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital in Belize City, with approximately 218 more beds and a more modern treatment facility, better health care is available.

The climate in Belize is like a doctor's prescription: lots of sunshine and fresh air - no smog and no stress.

Stability is also an important factor to consider. Belize presents itself as a democratic country with a low crime rate. Despite all the political problems in Central America, Belize remains untouched.

Its location also gives it an advantage as it is accessible by road, sea and air. With daily flights from Belize City to New Orleans, Houston and Miami, traveling back and forth is made easy and quick.