

## opening hours and holidays

### opening hours

In Germany, shops are not allowed to stay open at any time.

Large shops are often open Monday to Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Small shops are often open for shorter hours. Almost all shops are closed on Sundays. Do you need a shop open on Sundays? Only at main train stations are some shops open on Sundays.

There is no work on a **public holiday**. All shops are **closed**. There are exceptions for some jobs that involve shift work. Many bakeries are open on Sundays and public holidays in the mornings. Buses and trains run less frequently on Sundays and public holidays. The times are also different to those on weekdays. Pharmacies have an emergency service. You will find a list with information at every pharmacy.

### holidays

Holidays are special days of the year. You often don't have to work on these days. They can have religious, cultural or historical reasons. These days are often for relaxation. They also serve to commemorate or celebrate events.

There are holidays that apply to all of Germany. And there are holidays that are different for each federal state. Baden-Württemberg has 12 public holidays. Most of them are religious holidays.

### Public holidays 2024 in Baden-Württemberg:

- **January**
  - 01.01.2025 ( Neujahr )
  - January 6, 2025 ( Heilige Drei Könige )
- **April**
  - April 18, 2025 ( Karfreitag )
  - April 21, 2025 ( Ostermontag )
- **May**
  - May 1, 2025 ( Tag der Arbeit )
  - May 29, 2025 ( Christi Himmelfahrt )
  - 09.06.2025 ( Pfingstmontag )
  - June 19, 2025 ( Fronleichnam )
- **October**
  - October 3, 2025 ( Tag der Deutschen Einheit )
- **November**
  - November 1, 2025 ( Allerheiligen )
- **December**
  - December 25, 2025 ( 1. Weihnachtsfeiertag )
  - December 26, 2024 ( 2. Weihnachtsfeiertag )