B1/B2 DS-160 Sample for a Business Trip (Mexico)

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See how a fictional sales manager from Mexico on a business trip answered the DS-160, including her employer paying for the trip, her birthplace listed by state and the expired B1/B2 visa she is renewing. Know what the form asks before you start your own.

This is a fictional example for educational purposes, not an official or pre-approved application. Your DS-160 answers must reflect your own circumstances. Do not copy the sample answers unless they are independently true for you.

Before you start: information you'll want ready

The form will ask for

- Your passport, and your earlier U.S. visa for its issue date and number
- Your CURP
- Your employer's name, address and phone, your start date and your monthly income in pesos
- The name, company, address and phone of your contact in the U.S.
- Your husband's or wife's name, date of birth and place of birth
- The date and length of each U.S. visit in the last five years

Helpful to have nearby

- The address where you will stay in the U.S.
- Your social media usernames from the last five years
- A recent photo that meets the U.S. visa photo rules

Questions applicants commonly get stuck on

How this fictional applicant answered, why, and what to check for your own form. Answer for your own situation, which may differ.

3.1 *Purpose of Visit*

Purpose of Trip to the U.S.	TEMP. BUSINESS OR PLEASURE VISITOR (B)
Specify Visa	TEMP. VISITOR FOR BUSINESS (B1)

Why Mariana's trip is for business only, so she picks Temp. Visitor for Business (B1) as the purpose, not the option for business and pleasure together.

For your application Pick the purpose that matches this trip. If it mixes business and a holiday, look at the combined option.

3.3 *Address where you will stay in the U.S.*

Address Line 1	3150 PARADISE RD
Address Line 2	*Not answered*
City	LAS VEGAS
State	NEVADA
Zip Code	89109
Person/Entity Paying for Your Trip	PRESENT EMPLOYER

Why Her employer pays for the trip, so she chooses Present Employer as the payer. She gives the Las Vegas address where she will stay.

For your application Name whoever is actually paying. If another company pays, the form asks for its name, address and relationship to you.

8.1 *Contact Person or Organization in the United States*

Contact Person

Surnames	WALKER
Given Names	THOMAS

Organization Name

Organization Name	GULF COAST MACHINERY SUPPLY LLC

8.2 Relationship To You — BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

Why Her contact is Thomas Walker at Gulf Coast Machinery Supply, a distributor in Houston, so she chooses Business Associate as the relationship.

For your application Give someone in the U.S. who knows you and could confirm who you are. On a business trip that is often the company you are visiting.

1.11 Country/Region of Birth — MEXICO - JALISCO

Why She was born in Guadalajara. The country-of-birth list has no plain Mexico, only Mexico by state, so she picks MEXICO - JALISCO.

For your application If you were born in Mexico, look for your state in the list.

2.4 National Identification Number — CARM871224MJCSZR09

Why Mexico's national ID number is the CURP, so she enters hers.

For your application Enter the national ID number your country gives you, exactly as it is written. If you have none, tick Does Not Apply.

5.1 Have you ever been in the U.S.? — Yes

Details on your visit

Provide information on your last U.S. visit:

Date Arrived	*Length of stay in the U.S.*	*Time period*
June 16, 2024	6	DAY(S)

Do you or did you ever hold a U.S. Driver's License? — No

5.2 Have you ever been issued a U.S. Visa? — Yes

Previous U.S. Visa

Date Last Visa Was Issued	October 18, 2016
Visa Number	29418836
Are you applying for the same type of visa?	Yes
Are you applying in the same country or location where the visa above was issued, and is this country or location your place of principal of residence?	Yes
Have you been ten-printed?	Yes
Has your U.S. Visa ever been lost or stolen?	No
Has your U.S. Visa ever been cancelled or revoked?	No

Why She visited the U.S. once on her earlier B1/B2 visa, which has now expired. She is applying for the same type of visa, in the country where it was issued, and gave her fingerprints then, so she answers Yes to each of those questions.

For your application Have your earlier visa in front of you: the form asks for its issue date and the 8-digit number printed in red.

11.1 Primary Occupation — BUSINESS

Present Employer or School Information

Present Employer or School Name	MAQUINARIA OCCIDENTE SA DE CV
Present Employer or School Address	
Street Address (Line 1)	AV LOPEZ MATEOS SUR 5060
Street Address (Line 2)	*Not answered*
City	ZAPOPAN
State/Province	JALISCO
Postal Zone / ZIP Code	45070
Country / Region	MEXICO
Phone Number	523336550120
Start Date	May 13, 2017
Monthly Income in Local Currency (if employed)	62000

	Briefly describe your duties	MANAGE EXPORT SALES OF COMPACT EXCAVATORS AND LOADERS TO DISTRIBUTORS IN THE UNITED STATES AND CENTRAL AMERICA; NEGOTIATE DISTRIBUTOR AGREEMENTS; LEAD A TEAM OF FOUR SALES REPRESENTATIVES

Why She gives her employer, her start date, her duties and her monthly income in Mexican pesos.
For your application Give your income in your own currency, as a monthly figure, and describe your duties in plain words.

10.1	Spouse's Surname (Including Maiden Name)	NAVARRO DIAZ
10.2	Spouse's Given Name	RODRIGO
10.6	Type of Address Where Spouse Lives	SAME AS HOME ADDRESS

Why She is married, so the form asks about her husband Rodrigo although he is not travelling. He lives at the same address as she does.
For your application The spouse page appears whenever you are married, whether or not your husband or wife travels with you.

Common questions about this example

My husband is not coming. Do I still give his details?
Yes. The form asks for your spouse's details whenever you are married. Mariana gives Rodrigo's name, date and place of birth, and says he lives at the same address.

I was born in Mexico. Which country of birth do I choose?
The DS-160's list names Mexico by state, so choose the state where you were born. Mariana, born in Guadalajara, chooses MEXICO - JALISCO.

Where do I find the number of my earlier visa?
The form asks for the 8-digit number printed in red on the visa, at the lower right. Mariana copies it from her expired visa.

My company is sending several of us. Does each person need a DS-160?
Yes. Every applicant needs their own DS-160. Colleagues on the same trip each fill in their own form.
Official source travel.state.gov

The completed DS-160, question by question

1 Personal Information - Part 1

1.1	Surname	CASTILLO RUIZ
1.2	Given Names	MARIANA
1.3	Full Name in Native Alphabet	*Does Not Apply/Technology Not Available*
1.4	Have you ever used other names (i.e., maiden, religious, professional, alias, etc.)?	No
1.5	Do you have a telecode that represents your name?	No
1.6	Sex	FEMALE
1.7	Marital Status	MARRIED
1.8	Date of Birth	December 24, 1987
1.9	City of Birth	GUADALAJARA
1.10	State/Province of Birth	JALISCO
1.11	Country/Region of Birth	MEXICO - JALISCO

2 Personal Information - Part 2

2.1	Country/Region of Origin (Nationality)	MEXICO
2.2	Do you hold or have you held any nationality other than the one indicated above on nationality?	No
2.3	Are you a permanent resident of a country/region other than your country/region of origin (nationality) indicated above?	No
2.4	National Identification Number	CARM871224MJCSZR09
2.5	U.S. Social Security Number	*Does Not Apply*
2.6	U.S. Taxpayer ID Number	*Does Not Apply*

3 Purpose of Visa

3.1	*Purpose of Visit*	
	Purpose of Trip to the U.S.	TEMP. BUSINESS OR PLEASURE VISITOR (B)
	Specify Visa	TEMP. VISITOR FOR BUSINESS (B1)
3.2	Have you made specific travel plans?	No
	Please provide an explanation of your travel plans.	
	Arrival Date	February 12, 2027
	Intended length of stay in the U.S.	10
	Time period	DAY(S)
3.3	*Address where you will stay in the U.S.*	
	Address Line 1	3150 PARADISE RD
	Address Line 2	*Not answered*
	City	LAS VEGAS
	State	NEVADA
	Zip Code	89109
	Person/Entity Paying for Your Trip	PRESENT EMPLOYER

4 Travel Companions

4.1	Are there other persons traveling with you?	No

5 Previous U.S. Travel History

5.1	Have you ever been in the U.S.?	Yes
	Details on your visit	
	Provide information on your last U.S. visit:	

Date Arrived	*Length of stay in the U.S.*	*Time period*
June 16, 2024	6	DAY(S)

	Do you or did you ever hold a U.S. Driver's License?	No
5.2	Have you ever been issued a U.S. Visa?	Yes
	Previous U.S. Visa	
	Date Last Visa Was Issued	October 18, 2016
	Visa Number	29418836
	Are you applying for the same type of visa?	Yes
	Are you applying in the same country or location where the visa above was issued, and is this country or location your place of principal of residence?	Yes

	Have you been ten-printed?	Yes
	Has your U.S. Visa ever been lost or stolen?	No
	Has your U.S. Visa ever been cancelled or revoked?	No
5.3	Have you ever been refused a U.S. Visa, or been refused admission to the United States, or withdrawn your application for admission at the port of entry?	No
5.4	Have you ever been denied travel authorization by the Department of Homeland Security through the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA)?	No
5.5	Has anyone ever filed an immigrant petition on your behalf with the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services?	No

6 Address and Phone Details

6.1	*Home Address*	
	Street Address (Line 1)	AV PATRIA 1820
	Street Address (Line 2)	COL JARDINES UNIVERSIDAD
	City	ZAPOPAN
	State/Province	JALISCO
	Postal Zone/ZIP Code	45110
	Country/Region	MEXICO
6.2	Is your Mailing Address the same as your Home Address?	Yes
6.3	*Phone*	
	Primary Phone Number	523315550147
	Secondary Phone Number	*Does not apply*
	Work Phone Number	523336550120
6.4	Have you used any other phone numbers in the last five years?	No
6.5	Email Address	MARIANA.CASTILLO@EXAMPLE.COM
6.6	Have you used any other email addresses in the last five years?	No

6.7 *Social Media*

Social Media Provider/Platform	*Link to Social Media Profile*
LINKEDIN	HTTPS://WWW.LINKEDIN.COM/IN/MARIANA-CASTILLO-RUIZ/

6.8	Do you wish to provide information about your presence on any other websites or applications you have used within the last five years to create or share content (photos, videos, status updates, etc.)?	No

7 Passport Information

7.1	Passport/Travel Document Type	REGULAR
7.2	Passport/Travel Document Number	G41873026
7.3	Passport Book Number	*Does not apply*

7.4	Country/Authority that Issued Passport/ Travel Document	MEXICO
7.5	*Where was the Passport/Travel Document Issued?*	
	City	GUADALAJARA
	State/Province *If shown on passport	JALISCO
	Country/Region	MEXICO
	Issuance Date	August 26, 2023
	Expiration Date	August 26, 2033
7.6	Have you ever lost a passport or had one stolen?	No

8 US Contact Information

8.1	*Contact Person or Organization in the United States*	
	Contact Person	
	Surnames	WALKER
	Given Names	THOMAS
	Organization Name	
	Organization Name	GULF COAST MACHINERY SUPPLY LLC
8.2	Relationship To You	BUSINESS ASSOCIATE
8.3	*Address and Phone Number of Point of Contact*	
	U.S. Street Address (Line 1)	8800 N LOOP E
	U.S. Street Address (Line 2)	SUITE 300
	City	HOUSTON
	State	TEXAS
	ZIP Code (if known)	77029
	Phone Number	7135550186
	Email Address	TWALKER@GULFCOASTMACHINERY.EXAMPLE.COM

9 Family Information

9.1	*Father's Full Name and Date of Birth*	
	Surnames	CASTILLO
	Given Names	JORGE
	Date of Birth	June 7, 1959
	Is your father in the U.S.?	No
9.2	*Mother's Full Name and Date of Birth*	
	Surnames	RUIZ
	Given Names	ELENA
	Date of Birth	October 1, 1962
	Is your mother in the U.S.?	No
9.3	Do you have any immediate relatives, not including parents, in the United States?	No
	Do you have any other relatives in the United States?	No

10 Spouse Information

10.1	Spouse's Surname (Including Maiden Name)	NAVARRO DIAZ
10.2	Spouse's Given Name	RODRIGO
10.3	Spouse's Date of Birth	May 18, 1985
10.4	Spouse's Country/Region of Origin	MEXICO

10.5	*Spouse's Place of Birth*	
	City	ZAPOPAN
	Country	MEXICO - JALISCO
10.6	Type of Address Where Spouse Lives	SAME AS HOME ADDRESS

11 Current Occupation

11.1	Primary Occupation	BUSINESS
	Present Employer or School Information	
	Present Employer or School Name	MAQUINARIA OCCIDENTE SA DE CV
	Present Employer or School Address	
	Street Address (Line 1)	AV LOPEZ MATEOS SUR 5060
	Street Address (Line 2)	*Not answered*
	City	ZAPOPAN
	State/Province	JALISCO
	Postal Zone / ZIP Code	45070
	Country / Region	MEXICO
	Phone Number	523336550120
	Start Date	May 13, 2017
	Monthly Income in Local Currency (if employed)	62000
	Briefly describe your duties	MANAGE EXPORT SALES OF COMPACT EXCAVATORS AND LOADERS TO DISTRIBUTORS IN THE UNITED STATES AND CENTRAL AMERICA; NEGOTIATE DISTRIBUTOR AGREEMENTS; LEAD A TEAM OF FOUR SALES REPRESENTATIVES

12 Previous Occupation

12.1	Were you previously employed?	Yes
	Employer/Employment Information:	
	Employer Name	GRUPO INDUSTRIAL TAPATIO SA DE CV
	Employer Address	
	Employer Street Address (Line 1)	CALLE 8 NO 2385
	Employer Street Address (Line 2)	ZONA INDUSTRIAL
	City/Town	GUADALAJARA
	State/Province	JALISCO
	Postal Zone/ZIP Code	44940
	Country	MEXICO
	Employer Telephone Number	523331550160
	Job Title	SALES REPRESENTATIVE
	Supervisor's Surname	OROZCO
	Supervisor's Given Names	LUIS
	Employment Date From	November 5, 2010
	Employment Date To	May 7, 2017
	Briefly describe your duties	SOLD INDUSTRIAL PUMPS AND COMPRESSORS TO MANUFACTURING CLIENTS IN WESTERN MEXICO; PREPARED QUOTES AND FOLLOWED UP ON DELIVERIES
12.2	Have you attended any educational institutions at a secondary level or above?	Yes
	Provide the following information on the educational institution(s) you have attended.	
	Name of Institution	UNIVERSIDAD DE GUADALAJARA
	Address	
	Street Address (Line 1)	AV JUAREZ 976

Street Address (Line 2)	COL CENTRO
City	GUADALAJARA
State/Province	JALISCO
Postal Zone/ZIP Code	44100
Country	MEXICO
Course of Study	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Date of Attendance From	November 22, 2005
Date of Attendance To	October 4, 2010

13 Additional Occupation Details

13.1 Do you belong to a clan or tribe? — No

13.2 *Provide a List of Languages You Speak*

Language Name
SPANISH
ENGLISH

13.3 Have you traveled to any countries/ regions within the last five years? — Yes

Provide a List of Countries/Regions Visited

Country/Region
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
GUATEMALA
COSTA RICA

13.4 Have you belonged to, contributed to, or worked for any professional, social, or charitable organization? — No

13.5 Do you have any specialized skills or training, such as firearms, explosives, nuclear, biological, or chemical experience? — No

13.6 Have you ever served in the military? — No

13.7 Have you ever served in, been a member of, or been involved with a paramilitary unit, vigilante unit, rebel group, guerrilla group, or insurgent organization? — No

14 Security Background - Part 1

14.1 Do you have a communicable disease of public health significance? (Communicable diseases of public significance include chancroid, gonorrhea, granuloma inguinale, infectious leprosy, lymphogranuloma venereum, infectious stage syphilis, active tuberculosis, and other diseases as determined by the Department of Health and Human Services.) — No

14.2 Do you have a mental or physical disorder that poses or is likely to pose a threat to the safety or welfare of yourself or others? — No

14.3 Are you or have you ever been a drug abuser or addict? — No

15 Security Background - Part 2

15.1	Have you ever been arrested or convicted for any offense or crime, even though subject of a pardon, amnesty, or other similar action?	No
15.2	Have you ever violated, or engaged in a conspiracy to violate, any law relating to controlled substances?	No
15.3	Are you coming to the United States to engage in prostitution or unlawful commercialized vice or have you been engaged in prostitution or procuring prostitutes within the past 10 years?	No
15.4	Have you ever been involved in, or do you seek to engage in, money laundering?	No
15.5	Have you ever committed or conspired to commit a human trafficking offense in the United States or outside the United States?	No
15.6	Have you ever knowingly aided, abetted, assisted or colluded with an individual who has committed, or conspired to commit a severe human trafficking offense in the United States or outside the United States?	No
15.7	Are you the spouse, son, or daughter of an individual who has committed or conspired to commit a human trafficking offense in the United States or outside the United States and have you within the last five years, knowingly benefited from the trafficking activities?	No

16 Security Background - Part 3

16.1	Do you seek to engage in espionage, sabotage, export control violations, or any other illegal activity while in the United States?	No
16.2	Do you seek to engage in terrorist activities while in the United States or have you ever engaged in terrorist activities?	No
16.3	Have you ever or do you intend to provide financial assistance or other support to terrorists or terrorist organizations?	No
16.4	Are you a member or representative of a terrorist organization?	No

16.5	Are you the spouse, son, or daughter of an individual who has engaged in terrorist activity, including providing financial assistance or other support to terrorists or terrorist organizations, in the last five years?	No
16.6	Have you ever ordered, incited, committed, assisted, or otherwise participated in genocide?	No
16.7	Have you ever committed, ordered, incited, assisted, or otherwise participated in torture?	No
16.8	Have you committed, ordered, incited, assisted, or otherwise participated in extrajudicial killings, political killings, or other acts of violence?	No
16.9	Have you ever engaged in the recruitment or the use of child soldiers?	No
16.10	Have you, while serving as a government official, been responsible for or directly carried out, at any time, particularly severe violations of religious freedom?	No
16.11	Have you ever been directly involved in the establishment or enforcement of population controls forcing a woman to undergo an abortion against her free choice or a man or a woman to undergo sterilization against his or her free will?	No
16.12	Have you ever been directly involved in the coercive transplantation of human organs or bodily tissue?	No

17 Security Background - Part 4

17.1	Have you ever been the subject of a removal or deportation hearing?	No
17.2	Have you ever sought to obtain or assist others to obtain a visa, entry into the United States, or any other United States immigration benefit by fraud or willful misrepresentation or other unlawful means?	No
17.3	Have you failed to attend a hearing on removability or inadmissibility within the last five years?	No
17.4	Have you ever been unlawfully present, overstayed the amount of time granted by an immigration official or otherwise violated the terms of a U.S. visa?	No
17.5	Have you ever been removed or deported from any country?	No

18 Security Background - Part 5

18.1	Have you ever withheld custody of a U.S. citizen child outside the United States from a person granted legal custody by a U.S. court?	No
18.2	Have you voted in the United States in violation of any law or regulation?	No
18.3	Have you ever renounced United States citizenship for the purposes of avoiding taxation?	No
18.4	Are you a former exchange visitor (J) who has not yet fulfilled the two-year foreign residence requirement?	No
18.5	Have you attended a public elementary school on student (F) status or a public secondary school after November 30, 1996 without reimbursing the school?	No

19 Preparer of Application

19.1	Did anyone assist you in filling out this application?	No

Ready to fill in your own?

Answer the questions in plain language and save as you go. DS160.io then fills in your DS-160 on the official site for you. Filing is free for individuals.

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www.ds160.io/individuals

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www.ds160.io/immigration-firms