

Kuwait: Article 24 (Self-Sponsorship) residence permits granted by nationality group and sex of holder (2014)

	2014		
	Males	Females	Total
Arab countries	860	810	1,670
Non-Arab Asian countries	194	217	411
Non-Arab African countries	7	10	17
Europe	19	21	40
North America	42	23	65
Central and South America	7	1	8
Australia and Oceania	4	5	9
Other	0	0	0
Total	1,133	1,087	2,220

Source: Ministry of Interior
ANNEXED NOTE

1. Definitions

Residency procedures do not apply to GCC nationals.

The bidoun, a stateless population, are not included in the residency documents holders.

Data presented in the table are stock data: all the non-national residents holding a residence permit on December 31st, the given year. The table excludes the Bedoon, the non-Kuwaiti GCC citizens and those in irregular situation.

Self sponsorship permit: Expatriates may sponsor themselves under article 24 of the regulations and obtain a residence for two to five years under several conditions

(among which: being aged 60 and more, having worked no less than 25 years in Kuwait, owning a capital of 10000 KD at least; being able to produce a certificate of good conduct, being effectively residing in Kuwait with his/her family, etc.).

This form of residence can be renewed upon expiry. Self-sponsored expatriates may sponsor their wives and children.

Totals for the year 2012 presented here differ slightly from totals in other tables pertaining to this year published in the database.

2. Institution which provides data

Central Statistical Bureau (CSB), Ministry of Planning.

3. Period of data coverage

December 31st, given years.

4. Data availability

The present data is taken from the report "Migration Statistics 2014", published by the CSB.

The report processes Ministry of Interior's (Directorate of Migration's) raw figures of permits granted to foreign residents by type/ purpose of permit, sex and regional origin of holder, for the years 2011 to 2014.

The report (in Arabic, PDF format with Excel tables) is available on CSB's website (Population Statistics, then Migration Statistics)

http://www.csb.gov.kw/Socan_Statistic.aspx?ID=56

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