

Employed population by nationality group, sex and occupation group (Kuwait) (2012)

Occupation	Kuwaitis		Arabs		Asians		Africans		Europeans		North Americans		South Americans		Aus. - Oceanians		Total N.-K.		Grand total	
	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females
Legislators, senior officials and managers	7,522	2,973	34,327	2,998	21,458	1,869	197	53	1,103	245	1,392	244	99	20	117	22	58,693	5,451	66,215	8,424
Professionals	25,033	45,889	55,969	17,238	22,610	4,275	216	79	1,485	603	1,508	585	118	38	171	54	82,077	22,872	107,110	68,761
Technicians and associate professionals	30,858	26,365	13,837	4,927	20,601	19,411	84	45	364	287	1,722	541	48	7	22	13	36,678	25,231	67,536	51,596
Clerks	66,129	91,921	51,795	12,994	29,688	12,592	199	269	313	300	293	268	52	15	24	20	82,364	26,458	148,493	118,379
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	63,826	3,629	87,931	8,162	217,779	271,350	2,070	55,690	312	338	689	121	75	14	36	10	308,892	335,685	372,718	339,314
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	131	5	4,200	1	7,499	4	363	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,064	5	12,195	10
Craft and related trades workers	8,818	1,067	44,375	419	107,738	1,882	137	21	257	8	417	28	35	0	11	1	152,970	2,359	161,788	3,426
Production supervisors and foremen	4,659	480	54,757	278	247,525	1,367	715	21	349	18	2,084	360	46	2	12	0	305,488	2,046	310,147	2,526
Regular work professionals	95	31	95,525	619	202,232	10,062	1,128	324	172	24	380	66	18	2	11	0	299,466	11,097	299,561	11,128
Not Stated	1,452	6,200	26,462	12,764	43,184	7,361	731	828	701	551	816	680	31	22	55	55	71,980	22,261	73,432	28,461
Total	208,523	178,560	469,178	60,400	920,314	330,173	5,840	57,330	5,058	2,374	9,301	2,893	522	120	459	175	1,410,672	453,465	1,619,195	632,025

Source: PACI

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Characteristics of data and definitions

The source of data used here is the Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI), an independent government body in charge of :

1- centralising all population and labour force data in order to manage a fully computerised population register

2- issuing mandatory civil identification cards to every resident of the country, regardless of age and nationality.

The other source of demographic and socioeconomic data on Kuwait is the Central Statistical Office (CSO), operating within the Planning Ministry. The CSO has conducted ten population and housing censuses since its inception in 1957.

Since 1995 a marked discrepancy was witnessed between PACI' and CSO' population figures. PACI' database is connected electronically with other administrations and bodies registering demographic events and professional/residency issues (births and death; departures and arrivals; end of service, residency and ID deliveries, etc.).

PACI's records of residents' movements is thus regularly updated, which limits the risk of population overcount. Therefore, it is more likely that residents were undercounted during CSO- Ministry of Planning's census operations (see: Shah, N. Population of Kuwait. Structure and Dynamics, Kuwait: Kuwait University Academic Publication Council, 2010, chapter 1).

(a) Kuwaiti: the Kuwaiti nationality rests upon a document of Kuwaiti nationality or a certificate proving Kuwaiti nationality issued by the Ministry of Interior of Kuwait.

(b) Non-Kuwaiti: his/ her nationality is determined by the name of the State

having issued the passport. The foreign national also entered Kuwait legally and has a stamp of residence.

This category includes the Bidoon, a category of stateless persons living in the Emirate. Kuwait's Bidoon population originates from three broad categories:

- 1) those whose ancestors failed to apply for nationality or lacked necessary documentation at the time of Kuwait's independence in 1961;
- 2) those recruited to work in Kuwait's army or police force during the 1960s who permanently settled in Kuwait, along with their families;
- 3) children of Kuwaiti mothers and stateless or foreign fathers (see Human Rights Watch. Prisoners of the Past. Kuwaiti Bidun and the Burden of Statelessness, June 2011, p. 3).

(c) Population in the labour force: population aged 15 years and above, included in the labour market, either employed (in the government or private sector, as itinerant worker, employed in the domestic sector), or unemployed.

Occupations are categorised according to (slightly adapted) ISCO 88 international classification of occupations (major (1-digit) group titles).

Note: figures of expatriates differ slightly between PACI's various sources of data (database; tabulated data).

2. Institution which provides data

The Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI)

3. Period of data coverage: December 2012

The database is updated three times a year and the website presents only the most recent data.

4. Data availability

The statistics section of PACI's website (<http://www.paci.gov.kw/en/> (English); <http://www.paci.gov.kw/> (Arabic)) provides population and socio-economic data broken down by nationality (Kuwaiti/ non-Kuwaiti). Some data are displayed by nationality groups.

Analytical tables and data crosstabulations are available for download in PDF, html, .png and Excel (.csv) formats.

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