

# Some estimates of the non-nationals by country of citizenship (Saudi Arabia, November 3, 2013)

Estimates of non-national populations in Saudi Arabia,  
selected nationalities (figures up till November 3, 2013)

Country of citizenship	lower est.	upper est.
1 India	2,000,000	2,800,000
2 Pakistan	1,500,000	
3 Bangladesh	1,500,000	
4 Indonesia	1,500,000	
5 Egypt	1,000,000	2,000,000
6 Syria	1,000,000	
7 Sudan	500,000	900,000
8 Yemen	800,000	1,000,000
9 Philippines	670,000	
10 Sri Lanka	550,000	
11 Afghanistan	500,000	
12 Nepal	500,000	
13 Palestine (holders of travel documents)	500,000	1,000,000
14 Burma	250,000	600,000
15 Jordan (late 2000s)	250,000	300,000
16 Lebanon (2009, workers only)	160,000	
17 Ethiopia	>150 000	700,000
18 Somalia-Erythrea		?

Source: Saudi government officials and sending countries' diplomatic missions

## 1. Data collection methodology

Figures have been compiled from Saudi press articles (whenever possible). The figures quoted reflect most recent rough estimates released in press conferences and interviews by Saudi government officials and sending countries' diplomatic missions.

They reflect the stocks of non-nationals before the completion of the regularisation and crackdowns campaigns targeting foreigners in irregular situation.

Therefore, they are bound to be revised once the campaigns are over.

## 2. Data availability

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