

## GCC: National and foreign populations (aged 15 and above) by educational status (2016)

	Nationals					
	Bahrain	Kuwait*	Oman	Qatar	Saudi Arabia	UAE
Illiterate		24,040		3,616	451,716	
Reads and writes		11,105		10,067	870,872	
Primary		176,615		13,640	1,269,598	
Preparatory/ Intermediate/vocational		248,150		33,933	2,560,385	
Secondary		197,542		61,219	5,304,191	
Post-Secondary/ Pre-Univ. Diploma	N.A.	95,682	N.A.	7,105	629,793	N.A.
University		130,362			2,404,970	
Master degree/ Higher Diploma		5,135		64,706	91,207	
Ph.D					23,263	
Not Stated/other		118,421				
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,007,052</b>		<b>194,286</b>	<b>13,605,995</b>	

	Foreign nationals					
	Bahrain	Kuwait*	Oman	Qatar	Saudi Arabia	UAE
Illiterate		107,821		30,450	133,225	
Reads and writes		983,323		238,113	1,114,442	
Primary		197,222		428,590	1,644,326	
Preparatory/ Intermediate/vocational		687,913		593,995	2,787,129	
Secondary		279,728		374,768	2,352,747	
Post-Secondary/ Pre-Univ. Diploma	N.A.	59,305	N.A.	104,841	489,189	N.A.
University		136,499			1,473,042	
Master degree/ Higher Diploma		6,468		342,352	97,641	
Ph.D					54,379	
Not Stated/other		316,067				
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,774,346</b>		<b>2,113,109</b>	<b>10,146,120</b>	

Sources: see below.

ANNEXED NOTE

**Sources:**

Saudi Arabia: GLMM calculations, based on the published results of Labour Force Survey 2016 (Q3, Aug. 2016), General Authority for Statistics (GASStat).  
<https://www.stats.gov.sa/en/814>

Qatar: Annual Bulletin of Labor Force Sample survey 2016 (yearly synthesis), Ministry of Development Planning and Statistics  
[http://www.mdps.gov.qa/en/statistics/Statistical%20Releases/Social/LaborForce/2016/Labour\\_force\\_2016\\_AE.pdf](http://www.mdps.gov.qa/en/statistics/Statistical%20Releases/Social/LaborForce/2016/Labour_force_2016_AE.pdf).

Kuwait: Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI) records (December 2016).  
(<http://www.paci.gov.kw/en/> (English); <http://www.paci.gov.kw/> (Arabic))

Oman, Bahrain, UAE: no data available for the year 2016.

**Definitions:**

Levels of educational attainment are adapted from ISCED classification. The educational attainment level of an individual is the highest ISCED level successfully completed.

Categories' labels were standardised. Each country's data were redistributed under the new labels.

\* Kuwait: population aged 10 and above.

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