

# GCC: Number of employed workers and percentage of non-nationals in employed population in GCC countries (2015-2021) (private sector)

	Bahrain			Kuwait			Oman			Qatar			Saudi Arabia			UAE
	Total pop. employed in private sector	Non-nationals in private sector	% non-nationals in private sector	Total pop. employed in private sector	Non-nationals in private sector	% non-nationals in private sector	Total pop. employed in private sector	Non-nationals in private sector	% non-nationals in private sector	Total labour force in private sector	Non-nationals in private sector	% non-nationals in private sector	Total pop. employed in private sector	Non-nationals in private sector	% non-nationals in private sector	Total pop. employed in private sector
2015	546,572	445,374	81.5	1,480,249	1,410,010	95.3	1,583,462	1,373,842	86.8	1,511,627	1,499,956	99.2	10,140,936	8,416,681	83.0	4,734,285
2016	611,229	509,062	83.3	1,580,347	1,509,087	95.5	1,728,019	1,504,936	87.1	1,602,630	1,592,577	99.4	10,168,137	8,492,965	83.5	4,851,582
2017	599,714	495,912	82.7	1,638,020	1,566,782	95.7	1,741,496	1,502,808	86.3	1,606,550	1,596,340	99.4	9,701,960	7,928,287	81.7	5,012,634
2018	608,220	503,006	82.7	1,698,528	1,625,589	95.7	1,687,285	1,435,153	85.1	1,652,818	1,642,498	99.4	8,599,487	6,895,514	80.2	4,980,272
2019	605,824	498,999	82.4	1,714,063	1,640,830	95.7	1,626,288	1,363,955	83.9	1,661,807	1,651,951	99.4	8,138,590	6,437,886	79.1	5,094,407
2020	564,641	460,022	81.5	1,567,114	1,494,133	95.3	1,402,961	1,148,207	81.8	1,710,948	1,702,251	99.5	8,026,901	6,280,145	78.2	4,799,196
2021	557,863	448,485	80.4	1,434,824	1,362,602	95.0	1,398,325	1,131,526	80.9	1,593,673	1,584,118	99.4	8,084,253	6,174,178	76.4	4,903,612

**Sources: national institutes of statistics**

## 1- Definitions and remarks:

**Non-nationals are:**

1- persons bearing nationality of a foreign State other than the GCC State of residence, or bearing no proof of nationality from any given state (stateless persons and holders of refugee status and travel document in a third country);

2- Holders of residence permit residing in the given GCC country at date of census, as per definition of residence used in each of the countries.

**Employment** refers to: all persons of working age (15 and above), who during a reference period worked to produce goods or provide services for pay (cash or kind) or worked for profit from their own (or partially owned) business or worked without pay in the family business or with other individuals. It also includes those who have a temporary absence from a job during the reference period due to vacation or illness or any other reason.

**Figures refer to workers employed in the private sector.**

Qatar: population of reference: labour force.

UAE: total population employed in private sector. Figures disaggregated by nationality are not available.

## **2- Sources of data:**

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