

Kuwait: Cumulated numbers of contravenors to the law on residency, by type/purpose of expired residency permit (2015-2022)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Section (14) Temporary residence	15,725	18,827	21,693	18,978	23,449	36,837	32,032	30,417
Section (17) Employment government sector	931	1,016	1,048	1,062	1,143	1,176	1,370	687
Section (18) Employment private sector	27,996	29,898	29,486	26,664	29,822	28,698	35,604	29,720
Section (19) Freelancing	44	45	46	50	52	51	59	20
Section (20) Employment domestic sector	59,953	60,632	59,133	46,833	56,100	58,239	73,612	65,961
Section (22) Family reunion	6,735	6,679	6,790	6,576	6,808	5,783	8,452	6,369
Section (23) Studying	9	5	8	6	7	6	76	8
Section (24) Self-sponsorship	334	359	372	392	427	431	482	258
Total	111,727	117,461	118,576	100,561	117,808	131,221	151,687	133,440

Source: Central Statistical Bureau, Migration Statistics Bulletin, given years.

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Definitions

These are stock data.

The figures refer to the cumulated numbers of foreign residents contravening the law on residency, present in Kuwait since the year 1992 until the 31st of December of each year.

CSB reprocessed data from Ministry of Interior's (Directorate of Migration's) annual records of residency permits granted to foreign residents by type/

purpose of permit,

sex and regional origin of holder.

The present figures include permits delivered for all purposes of stay in Kuwait:

1- Labour in all sectors: governmental (n°17); private sector (n°18); business (n°19) and domestic (n°20) sectors

2- Residence: temporary residence (n°14); as family dependent (permit n°22); for the purpose of studying (n°23) and for self-sponsorship (n°24).

Residency procedures do not apply to GCC nationals and to Bidouns (stateless residents of Kuwait).

The table thus excludes the Bidouns, the non-Kuwaiti GCC citizens and those in irregular situation.

2. Institution which provides data

Migration Department, Ministry of Interior (MoI) and 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 "Migration Statistics" reports, published annually by the CSB.

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

https://www.csb.gov.kw/Pages/Statistics_en?ID=56&ParentCatID=1

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