

# Kuwait: Employed population by nationality (Kuwaiti/ non-Kuwaiti), sex and sector of economic activity (census 2021)

	Kuwaitis			Non-Kuwaitis			Total		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	62	92	154	44,485	143	44,628	44,547	235	44,782
Mining and quarrying	9,523	1,883	11,406	8,436	667	9,103	17,959	2,550	20,509
Manufacturing	8,343	3,730	12,073	118,177	5,043	123,220	126,520	8,773	135,293
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	4,701	782	5,483	234	3	237	4,935	785	5,720
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	8,845	1,970	10,815	422	7	429	9,267	1,977	11,244
Construction	10,554	10,032	20,586	304,430	16,608	321,038	314,984	26,640	341,624
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	8,260	10,565	18,825	348,668	33,396	382,064	356,928	43,961	400,889
Transportation and storage	7,276	2,574	9,850	57,187	1,865	59,052	64,463	4,439	68,902
Accommodation and food service activities	1,100	1,432	2,532	92,173	10,793	102,966	93,273	12,225	105,498
Information and communication	5,909	2,631	8,540	5,705	897	6,602	11,614	3,528	15,142
Financial and insurance activities	9,184	7,774	16,958	12,058	2,282	14,340	21,242	10,056	31,298
Real estate activities	651	425	1,076	10,110	600	10,710	10,761	1,025	11,786
Professional, scientific and technical activities	7,153	4,385	11,538	110,290	10,036	120,326	117,443	14,421	131,864
Administrative and support service activities	1,308	686	1,994	19,180	1,244	20,424	20,488	1,930	22,418
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	111,855	79,054	190,909	41,528	9,513	51,041	153,383	88,567	241,950
Education	17,353	83,822	101,175	21,832	27,705	49,537	39,185	111,527	150,712
Human health and social work activities	4,349	9,561	13,910	18,520	28,841	47,361	22,869	38,402	61,271

Arts, entertainment and recreation	419	773	1,192	14,812	1,141	15,953	15,231	1,914	17,145
Other service activities	1,799	1,435	3,234	30,655	14,697	45,352	32,454	16,132	48,586
Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use	0	0	0	309,984	326,148	636,132	309,984	326,148	636,132
Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies	19	6	25	345	134	479	364	140	504
Not stated	1,123	1,376	2,499	37,267	3,064	40,331	38,390	4,440	42,830
<b>Total</b>	<b>219,786</b>	<b>224,988</b>	<b>444,774</b>	<b>1,606,498</b>	<b>494,827</b>	<b>2,101,325</b>	<b>1,826,284</b>	<b>719,815</b>	<b>2,546,099</b>

**Source: Central Statistics Bureau (CSB)/The Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI)**

## **ANNEXED NOTE**

### **1. Characteristics of data and definitions**

The 2021 Kuwait census is the eleventh census conducted in the country, and the first to be based on administrative records.

The Ministry of State for Communications and Information Technology has implemented the records-based population, establishments and building census through cooperation with the Central Statistical Bureau (CSB) and the Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI).

The census data was selected from the recommended data basket guide for the Unified Population and Housing Register-based Census 2020 for the countries of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf issued by the Gulf Statistics Center for the year 2019, and from the data basket of the general census of the State of Kuwait 2011.

#### **Definition of employment:**

Individuals aged 15 and over and are engaged in any economic activity during the census reference period, including:

- 1. Employer:** An employed individual (aged 15 and over) who works in or owns part of an enterprise and under the supervision of at least one employee

with a monetary wage (shareholders in shareholding companies are not considered employers even if they are employed).

2. **Self-Employed:** An employed individual (aged 15 years and over) who works in or owns a part of an enterprise and not a monetary-paid employee, including street vendors who do not do business for others.

**iii. Paid Worker:** Employed person (aged 15 and over) who works for another individual or for his\her enterprise under his\her supervision and receives for his\her employment a lump-sum monetary wage (for the hour, day, week, month or year) this monetary remuneration may be calculated on the basis of production and may be in the form of commission, brokerage or any other way. Workers working in the ministries of the State and its various entities, as well as those working on monetary remuneration in the participating companies, are considered to be in this category.

1. **Unpaid Worker:** An employed individual (aged 15 and over) who works for another relative, has no connection or works in an enterprise, is not paid for his\her work and does not have a lump-sum share of profits. Under this definition, individuals who learn a particular trade even if they are paid a lump sum in cash.

#### **Definitions and concepts used:**

[https://census.csb.gov.kw/CensusData\\_EN](https://census.csb.gov.kw/CensusData_EN)

#### **Classification of activities: ISIC Rev. 4.**

<https://ilostat.ilo.org/resources/concepts-and-definitions/classification-economic-activities/>

#### **2. Institution which provides data**

The Central Statistical Bureau (CSB)

<https://www.csb.gov.kw/>

[https://www.csb.gov.kw/default\\_en](https://www.csb.gov.kw/default_en)

#### **3. Data availability**

**Kuwait Census 2021 page** (Population, Housing and Establishments census):

[https://census.csb.gov.kw/index\\_EN](https://census.csb.gov.kw/index_EN)

**Population census:**

[https://census.csb.gov.kw/CensusData\\_EN?id=1](https://census.csb.gov.kw/CensusData_EN?id=1)

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