

Kuwait: Foreign residents who overstayed their legal period of residence by nationality group (2010-2014)

Nationality group	2010		2011		2012		2013		2014	
	Number of expired residency holders	%	Number of expired residency holders	%	Number of expired residency holders	%	Number of expired residency holders	%	Number of expired residency holders	%
Arab countries	659	18.6	809	14.2	1,226	12.8	2,329	14.3	3,826	14.3
Non-Arab Asian countries	2,774	78.2	4,341	76.2	7,053	73.6	10,536	64.7	11,729	64.7
Non-Arab African countries	79	2.2	485	8.5	1,261	13.2	3,349	20.6	5,219	20.6
Europe	5	0.1	12	0.2	8	0.1	15	0.1	19	0.1
North America	23	0.6	31	0.5	36	0.4	35	0.2	42	0.2
Central and South America	5	0.1	2	0.0	5	0.1	13	0.1	8	0.1
Australia and Oceania	3	0.1	15	0.3	0	0.0	11	0.1	4	0.1
Other	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Total	3,549	100	5,695	100	9,589	100	16,288	100	20,847	100

Source: Ministry of Interior

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Definitions

The figures refer to foreign residents who are still living in Kuwait at the end of the reference year, but were found contravening the law on residency by staying beyond the period of validity of their residency document.

Residency procedures do not apply to nationals of other GCC countries. The bidoun, a stateless population, are not included in the residency documents holders.

The figures concern previous holders of all categories of residency permits: labour (number 14-temporary; 17- government labour; 18- private sector labour; 19- business; 20- domestic labour) and other categories (22- family dependents; 23- student; 24- self-sponsorship).

2. Institution which provides data

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 report "Migration Statistics", published by the CSB since 2013.

The reports reproduces Ministry of Interior's (Directorate of Migration's) figures of permits granted to foreign residents by type/ purpose of permit, sex and regional origin of holder, since the year 2010.

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

http://www.csb.gov.kw/Socan_Statistic.aspx?ID=56

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