

# Kuwait: Non-Kuwaiti population born in Kuwait by nationality group, sex and age group (December 2014)

	Arabs			Asians			Africans			Europeans			N. Americans			S. Americans			Australians / Oceanians			Total		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Less than 5	43,091	41,286	84,377	18,641	17,427	36,068	206	189	395	378	355	733	670	614	1,284	44	39	83	67	56	123	63,097	59,966	123,063
5-9	32,889	31,776	64,665	12,659	12,362	25,021	98	95	193	284	263	547	453	444	897	36	40	76	52	53	105	46,471	45,033	91,504
10-14	22,052	21,156	43,208	6,468	6,057	12,525	28	36	64	135	117	252	259	217	476	31	19	50	29	22	51	29,002	27,624	56,626
15-19	21,254	20,837	42,091	4,557	4,238	8,795	33	28	61	86	98	184	196	191	387	38	22	60	33	23	56	26,197	25,437	51,634
20-24	15,997	15,382	31,379	1,458	1,512	2,970	27	43	70	63	69	132	171	182	353	35	37	72	33	22	55	17,784	17,247	35,031
25-29	19,410	18,642	38,052	1,949	2,056	4,005	33	95	128	63	107	170	215	234	449	51	30	81	28	31	59	21,749	21,195	42,944
30-34	17,191	14,715	31,906	2,248	1,608	3,856	33	45	78	88	60	148	175	141	316	22	23	45	23	27	50	19,780	16,619	36,399
35-39	12,354	9,475	21,829	2,215	1,110	3,325	13	24	37	85	53	138	115	90	205	12	6	18	23	15	38	14,817	10,773	25,590
40-44	8,489	6,410	14,899	1,490	739	2,229	15	11	26	92	29	121	115	77	192	22	3	25	12	13	25	10,235	7,282	17,517
45-49	6,555	4,702	11,257	1,081	530	1,611	13	7	20	68	21	89	170	69	239	23	5	28	26	17	43	7,936	5,351	13,287
> 50	7,661	3,499	11,160	1,084	439	1,523	20	4	24	66	23	89	255	76	331	43	8	51	37	13	50	9,166	4,062	13,228
Total	206,943	187,880	394,823	53,850	48,078	101,928	519	577	1,096	1,408	1,195	2,603	2,794	2,335	5,129	357	232	589	363	292	655	266,234	240,589	506,823

Source: PACI

## ANNEXED NOTE

### 1. Characteristics of data and definitions

The source of data used here is the Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI), an independent government body in charge of :

- 1- centralising all population and labour force data in order to manage a fully computerised population register
- 2- issuing mandatory civil identification cards to every resident of the country, regardless of age and nationality.

The other source of demographic and socioeconomic data on Kuwait is the Central Statistical Office (CSO), operating within the Planning Ministry. The CSO has conducted ten population and housing censuses since its inception in 1957.

Since 1995 a marked discrepancy was witnessed between PACI' and CSO' population figures. PACI' database is connected electronically with other administrations and bodies registering demographic events and professional/ residency issues (births and death; departures and arrivals; end of service, residency and ID deliveries, etc.).

PACI's records of residents' movements is thus regularly updated, which limits the risk of population overcount. Therefore, it is more likely that residents were undercounted during CSO- Ministry of Planning's census operations (see: Shah, N. Population of Kuwait. Structure and Dynamics, Kuwait: Kuwait University Academic Publication Council, 2010, chapter 1).

**(a) Kuwaiti:** the Kuwaiti nationality rests upon a document of Kuwaiti nationality or a certificate proving Kuwaiti nationality issued by the Ministry of Interior of Kuwait.

**(b) Non-Kuwaiti:** his/ her nationality is determined by the name of the State which issued the passport. The foreign national also entered Kuwait legally and has a stamp of residence.

This category includes the Bidoon, a category of stateless persons living in

the Emirate. Kuwait's Bidoon population originates from three broad categories:

- 1) those whose ancestors failed to apply for nationality or lacked necessary documentation at the time of Kuwait's independence in 1961;
  - 2) those recruited to work in Kuwait's army or police force during the 1960s who permanently settled in Kuwait, along with their families;
  - 3) children of Kuwaiti mothers and stateless or foreign fathers (see Human Rights Watch. Prisoners of the Past. Kuwaiti Bidun and the Burden of Statelessness, June 2011, p. 3).
- (The children of Kuwaiti mothers and non-Kuwaiti fathers (with specific nationality) inherit the father's nationality. They are stateless if the father is stateless).

**(c) Nationality group:** collected according to the nationality of the head of the household.

Nationalities are grouped according to specific features common to certain population subgroups: language, geographic origin, etc. or according to internationally recognized categories such as: (Arab / non-Arab Asian countries / non-Arab African countries; European countries ... etc.).

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

The Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI)

## **3. Period of data coverage: 31 December 2014**

The database is updated three times a year and the website presents only the most recent data.

## **4. Data availability**

The statistics section of PACI's website (<http://www.paci.gov.kw/en/> (English); <http://www.paci.gov.kw/> (Arabic)) provides population and socio-economic data broken down by nationality (Kuwaiti/ non-Kuwaiti). Some data are displayed by nationality groups.

Analytical tables and data crosstabulations are available for download in PDF, html, .png and Excel (.csv) formats.

The "publications" section also proposes a selection of data tables processed thematically in downloadable Excel and PDF format (English and Arabic):

<http://www.paci.gov.kw/stat/en/index.php/component/content/article?id=99>

<http://www.paci.gov.kw/stat/index.php/component/content/article?id=194>

The present data is in the "Population" file.

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