Kuwait: Population aged 10 and above by nationality (Kuwaiti/ non-Kuwaiti), age group and highest education level reached (December 2016)

	Kuwaitis												
	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	>64	Total
Illiterate	1	4	18	18	29	21	17	42	62	2,852	4,136	16,840	24,040
Read &Write	36	24	22	149	244	153	115	34	38	1,384	1,726	7,180	11,105
Primary	79,404	30,467	15,665	11,117	5,592	5,768	7,415	5,061	3,845	3,229	3,018	6,034	176,615
Intermediate	0	74,622	45,637	18,603	19,561	17,169	18,067	18,945	13,301	8,766	6,540	6,939	248,150
Secondary	0	15,422	53,741	35,648	24,662	20,094	13,134	11,621	10,412	6,025	3,651	3,132	197,542
Diploma	0	0	3,127	15,236	20,482	13,889	10,353	8,405	8,051	7,174	5,059	3,906	95,682
University	0	0	4,906	22,156	22,580	20,727	18,048	13,087	11,403	8,377	4,956	4,122	130,362
Post Graduate	0	0	1	102	389	475	406	488	476	800	849	1,149	5,135
Not Stated	70,012	11,331	5,002	5,035	4,134	3,784	4,743	4,933	5,235	1,360	877	1,975	118,421
Total	149,453	131,870	128,119	108,064	97,673	82,080	72,298	62,616	52,823	39,967	30,812	51,277	1,007,052

	Non-Kuwaitis												
	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	>64	Total
Illiterate	352	309	3,513	10,793	12,861	12,209	12,887	15,378	14,823	10,197	6,014	8,485	107,821
Read &Write	6,578	9,815	67,245	206,698	204,820	172,277	128,335	91,654	50,817	26,072	11,550	7,462	983,323
Primary	36,312	20,006	22,818	19,103	18,798	18,935	16,682	14,694	12,230	8,816	4,976	3,852	197,222
Intermediate	0	32,964	56,579	134,668	135,165	112,729	86,048	62,827	34,107	19,051	8,657	5,118	687,913
Secondary	0	4,136	19,361	40,978	51,439	43,627	35,281	32,036	23,553	15,422	8,722	5,173	279,728
Diploma	0	0	1,793	7,937	10,864	9,339	8,244	7,353	5,577	3,739	2,662	1,797	59,305
University	0	0	1,975	19,177	27,414	22,558	17,512	13,269	12,394	9,655	6,825	5,720	136,499
Post Graduate	0	0	29	253	890	1,195	907	607	590	590	558	849	6,468
Not Stated	65,723	17,744	8,977	11,017	25,196	68,324	51,517	33,590	18,501	8,959	3,675	2,844	316,067
Total	108,965	84,974	182,290	450,624	487,447	461,193	357,413	271,408	172,592	102,501	53,639	41,300	2,774,346

	Total population aged 10+												
	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	>64	Total
Illiterate	353	313	3,531	10,811	12,890	12,230	12,904	15,420	14,885	13,049	10,150	25,325	131,861
Read &Write	6,614	9,839	67,267	206,847	205,064	172,430	128,450	91,688	50,855	27,456	13,276	14,642	994,428
Primary	115,716	50,473	38,483	30,220	24,390	24,703	24,097	19,755	16,075	12,045	7,994	9,886	373,837
Intermediate	0	107,586	102,216	153,271	154,726	129,898	104,115	81,772	47,408	27,817	15,197	12,057	936,063
Secondary	0	19,558	73,102	76,626	76,101	63,721	48,415	43,657	33,965	21,447	12,373	8,305	477,270
Diploma	0	0	4,920	23,173	31,346	23,228	18,597	15,758	13,628	10,913	7,721	5,703	154,987
University	0	0	6,881	41,333	49,994	43,285	35,560	26,356	23,797	18,032	11,781	9,842	266,861
Post Graduate	0	0	30	355	1,279	1,670	1,313	1,095	1,066	1,390	1,407	1,998	11,603
Not Stated	135,735	29,075	13,979	16,052	29,330	72,108	56,260	38,523	23,736	10,319	4,552	4,819	434,488
Total	258,418	216,844	310,409	558,688	585,120	543,273	429,711	334,024	225,415	142,468	84,451	92,577	3,781,398

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.

- (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) NA/ Not stated: education level is unclear or not reported.

Classification used for education levels: ISCED.

2. Institution which provides data

The Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI)

3. Period of data coverage: December 2016

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

4. Data availability

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

Date of access: June 2017.