

# Kuwait: Population aged 15 and above by nationality (Kuwaiti/ non-Kuwait), sex, age group and marital status (December 2014)

	Kuwaitis											
	Never Married		Married		Divorced		Widowed		Not Stated		Total	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
15-19	66,955	60,432	347	3,718	35	241	0	4	85	83	67,422	64,478
20-24	48,290	35,111	10,739	20,504	901	2,461	1	33	32	20	59,963	58,129
25-29	19,874	14,346	29,662	33,555	2,755	4,862	11	114	35	25	52,337	52,902
30-34	6,626	7,368	34,496	33,972	2,873	5,003	26	294	72	32	44,093	46,669
35-39	2,954	4,598	31,211	30,915	2,462	4,703	72	523	68	38	36,767	40,777
40-44	1,851	3,622	27,824	27,313	2,083	4,369	86	924	49	33	31,893	36,261
45-49	1,201	2,578	24,407	23,811	1,840	4,085	113	1,460	39	36	27,600	31,970
50-54	826	1,879	19,375	18,511	1,419	3,374	159	2,097	18	56	21,797	25,917
55-59	423	1,239	14,018	14,265	908	2,326	248	3,152	20	39	15,617	21,021
60-64	240	763	10,174	9,244	577	1,437	266	4,091	10	29	11,267	15,564
>64	306	713	17,109	10,666	911	1,929	1,543	12,899	26	62	19,895	26,269
Total	149,546	132,649	219,362	226,474	16,764	34,790	2,525	25,591	454	453	388,651	419,957

	Non-Kuwaitis											Total	
	Never Married		Married		Divorced		Widowed		Not Stated				
	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	
15-19	38,886	33,751	508	2,440	5	84	1	2	5,368	5,134	44,768	41,411	
20-24	66,394	30,883	29,851	24,402	145	685	11	34	5,538	3,938	101,939	59,942	
25-29	145,543	53,828	119,632	89,132	645	1,751	56	125	1,897	1,126	267,773	145,962	
30-34	158,023	39,745	152,104	102,115	1,313	2,273	79	233	624	88	312,143	144,454	
35-39	124,538	29,503	158,070	92,879	1,532	2,103	99	362	1,316	160	285,555	125,007	
40-44	92,318	21,585	131,097	70,477	1,578	1,787	115	540	798	142	225,906	94,531	
45-49	60,638	13,381	111,383	52,756	1,699	1,522	124	660	423	93	174,267	68,412	
50-54	29,655	6,015	78,979	31,050	1,294	1,175	113	847	162	43	110,203	39,130	
55-59	11,743	2,187	56,038	17,238	937	734	137	984	83	25	68,938	21,168	
60-64	2,660	844	30,251	9,339	583	396	143	1,067	34	6	33,671	11,652	
>64	842	556	20,788	7,847	517	433	613	3,574	9	17	22,769	12,427	
Total	731,240	232,278	888,701	499,675	10,248	12,943	1,491	8,428	16,252	10,772	1,647,932	764,096	

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.

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