

# Kuwait: Population by nationality (Kuwaiti/non-Kuwaiti), sex and administrative region (governorate) of residence (December 2014).

Governorate	Kuwaiti			Non-Kuwaiti			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Capital Governorate	114,750	120,955	235,705	181,262	121,086	302,348	296,012	242,041	538,053
Hawalli Governorate	107,516	110,791	218,307	385,137	294,957	680,094	492,653	405,748	898,401
Al-Ahmadi Governorate	133,565	136,144	269,709	407,923	149,125	557,048	541,488	285,269	826,757
Al-Jahra Governorate	86,208	90,418	176,626	194,082	125,807	319,889	280,290	216,225	496,515
Al-Farwaniya Governorate	111,637	117,300	228,937	637,929	227,710	865,639	749,566	345,010	1,094,576
Mubarak Al-Kabeer Governorate	72,425	73,842	146,267	46,017	40,144	86,161	118,442	113,986	232,428
Not stated	155	151	306	2,929	2,028	4,957	3,084	2,179	5,263
<b>Total</b>	<b>626,256</b>	<b>649,601</b>	<b>1,275,857</b>	<b>1,855,279</b>	<b>960,857</b>	<b>2,816,136</b>	<b>2,481,535</b>	<b>1,610,458</b>	<b>4,091,993</b>

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 having 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).

**(c) Population in the labour force:** population aged 15 years and above, included in the labour market, either employed (in the government or private sector, as itinerant worker, employed in the domestic sector), or unemployed.

**(d) Population out of the labour force:** population aged 15 years and above, not contributing to any economic activity and not included in the labour market, among which the students, the housewives, the retired persons or self-sufficients.

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

The Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI)

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

The database is updated three times 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.

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