Kuwait: Unemployed population (aged 15 years and above) by nationality (Kuwaiti/ non-Kuwaiti), sex and education level (census 2021)

	Kuwaitis			Non-Kuwaitis			Total		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Illiterate	0	1	1	255	6	261	255	7	262
Reads and writes	25	9	34	427	19	446	452	28	480
Primary education	1,141	589	1,730	406	13	419	1,547	602	2,149
Intermediate	1,866	1,406	3,272	867	40	907	2,733	1,446	4,179
Secondary and equivalent	4,821	3,900	8,721	694	70	764	5,515	3,970	9,485
Post-secondary and below university	650	771	1,421	43	34	77	693	805	1,498
BA or equivalent	1,258	1,971	3,229	219	214	433	1,477	2,185	3,662
MA and above	56	32	88	7	3	10	63	35	98
Not Stated	1,016	900	1,916	244	19	263	1,260	919	2,179
Total	10,833	9,579	20,412	3,162	418	3,580	13,995	9,997	23,992

Source: Central Statistics Bureau (CSB)/The Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI)

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Characteristics of data and definitions

The 2021 Kuwait census is the eleventh census conducted in the country, and the first to be based on administrative records.

The Ministry of State for Communications and Information Technology has implemented the records-based population, establishments and building census through cooperation with the Central Statistical Bureau (CSB) and the Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI).

The census data was selected from the recommended data basket guide for the Unified Population and Housing Register-based Census 2020 for the countries of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf issued by the Gulf

Statistics Center for the year 2019, and from the data basket of the general census of the State of Kuwait 2011.

Education level: refers to degree or educational attainment in any language.

Definition of unemployment:

Unemployed who has previously been employed: An individual (15-64 years) who has previously been engaged in work in Kuwait for the purpose of earning, but who is not associated with any work during the period of time assignment or searching for a job. His\her working hours in the week of time assignment were not less than 15 hours.

Newly unemployed: Any individual (15-64 years) who has never been associated with any fruitful work in the State of Kuwait despite having the motivation to work and searching for a job during the period of time attribution but does not find it.

Definitions and concepts used:

https://census.csb.gov.kw/CensusData_EN

2. Institution which provides data

The Central Statistical Bureau (CSB)

https://www.csb.gov.kw/

https://www.csb.gov.kw/default_en

3. Data availability

Kuwait Census 2021 page (Population, Housing and Establishments census):

https://census.csb.gov.kw/index EN

Population census:

https://census.csb.gov.kw/CensusData EN?id=1

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