

# Labor permits by type or nature of status' adjustments performed (Kuwait) (2008-2011)

	2008	2009	2010	2011
Entry permits for work*	99.195	88.800	95.691	137.842
Permits issued for the first time	78.226	58.302	53.450	81.508
Renewed permits	544.396	484.085	516.718	558.099
Transfer within the private sector	162.612	167.395	183.822	185.950
Transfers outside of private sector	5.144	4.133	4.986	4.679
Transfers from the governmental to the private sector	645	303	515	712
Transfers from invitation document to private sector	10.623	9.437	13.645	14.127
Transfers from dependant residency to private sector	6.026	5.346	4.871	7.598
Transfers from domestic worker permit to private sector	7.115	7.164	8.186	8.338
Final cancellations of permit	65.062	67.763	55.512	28.918
Cancellations of permission to work abroad**	2.488	21.002	27.155	39.606
Cancellations of permit due to death of holder	764	533	423	706
Adjustements of status***	182	149	1.060	n.a.

Source: Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour

## ANNEXED NOTE

### 1. Definitions

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\* Figure does not include cancelled entry permits.

Entry permit for work differs from labour permit.

\*\* Pertains to holders of residence visas in the following situation:

"A residence visa is cancelled if the holder is absent abroad for a continuous period of six months. The only exceptions are for those who (a) are studying abroad, (b) are receiving necessary treatment abroad, or (c) are required by virtue of their work to be abroad, provided permission in all three cases is obtained before leaving Kuwait.

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[http://www.moi.gov.kw/portal/vEnglish/ShowPage.aspx?objectID={F186A875-71FA-44F6-BC5F-8CF9B386B9E1}#Out\\_of\\_country\\_Absentee\\_](http://www.moi.gov.kw/portal/vEnglish/ShowPage.aspx?objectID={F186A875-71FA-44F6-BC5F-8CF9B386B9E1}#Out_of_country_Absentee_)

\*\*\* Data has been included in above-mentioned categories of permits

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

Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour (MOSAL)

## **3. Period of data coverage**

December 31st, given years.

## **4. Data availability**

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[http://www.csb.gov.kw/Socan\\_Statistic\\_EN.aspx?ID=18](http://www.csb.gov.kw/Socan_Statistic_EN.aspx?ID=18) (website in English) and at [http://www.csb.gov.kw/Socan\\_Statistic.aspx](http://www.csb.gov.kw/Socan_Statistic.aspx) (Arabic website).

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