

# Non-Kuwaiti population by migration status and country of citizenship of holder (2012)

Country of citizenship	Migration Status				TOTAL
	Worker	Family member	Student	Other resident	
<b>ARAB COUNTRIES</b>					
Iraq	4.366	10.484	0	412	15.262
Syria	57.752	75.845	3	1.954	135.554
Lebanon	18.665	23.301	3	617	42.586
Jordan	20.502	33.752	3	824	55.081
Yemen	5.458	5.167	2	135	10.762
Palestine	22	556	0	1	579
Algeria	316	509	1	19	845
Egypt	330.769	137.500	12	14.411	482.692
Morocco	1.791	1.594	0	110	3.495
Tunisia	1.792	984	3	84	2.863
Libya	39	108	1	1	149
Palestinian from Egypt	2.723	3.262	0	168	6.153
Palestinian from Lebanon	464	481	0	17	962
Palestinian from Syria	171	194	0	7	372
Palestinian from Iraq	2	1	0	0	3
Non-Kuwaiti Saudi	1	5	0	0	6
Saudi	0	1	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>444.833</b>	<b>293.744</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>18.760</b>	<b>757.365</b>
<b>ASIA</b>					
Afghanistan	10.255	3.044	23	367	13.689
Uzbekistan	47	65	0	2	114
Kyrgyzstan	25	23	7	3	58
Tajikstan	9	19	6	0	34
Kazakhstan	13	21	0	0	34
Mongolia	6	7	3	0	16
Turkey	1.359	786	1	126	2.272
Iran	25.528	16.365	5	740	42.638
Malaysia	161	253	22	5	441
Japan	63	54	5	4	126
Indonesia	12.707	1.177	9	143	14.036
Philippines	151.430	7.795	31	2.486	161.742
Pakistan	91.060	26.512	31	2.437	120.040
India	585.506	92.805	16	14.198	692.525
China	2.895	287	15	706	3.903
Taiwan	7	4	8	0	19
South Korea	753	243	7	115	1.118
Singapore	23	19	16	1	59
Bangladesh	178.485	6.936	9	4.741	190.171
Thailand	2.067	177	41	178	2.463
Sri Lanka	103.407	4.270	24	2.159	109.860
Nepal	53.653	254	1	1.578	55.486
Bhutan	10	13	0	0	23
North Korea	3.065	11	3	492	3.571
Vietnam	515	17	0	66	598
Cambodia	9	4	34	0	47
Myanmar	329	5	0	15	349
Other Asian Nationalities	53	28	5	1	87
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.223.440</b>	<b>161.194</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>30.563</b>	<b>1.415.519</b>
<b>EUROPE</b>					
Britain	2.362	1.724	1	90	4.177
Ireland	124	84	0	5	213
France	449	444	2	13	908
Holland	124	163	0	5	292
Belgium	54	39	0	1	94

Italy	226	160	2	17	405
Malta	17	6	0	0	23
Sweden	93	170	0	5	268
Norway	27	30	0	0	57
Switzerland	27	18	0	1	46
Austria	45	60	0	2	107
Germany	263	268	5	16	552
Spain	107	81	2	11	201
Portugal	94	40	0	4	138
Denmark	85	109	2	2	198
Greece	75	46	0	16	137
Cyprus	15	16	0	2	33
Czech Republic	48	30	2	0	80
Hungary	123	86	3	5	217
Slovakia	43	54	0	5	102
Finland	13	18	0	0	31
Lithuania	8	7	0	0	15
Poland	128	116	5	8	257
Russia and USSR	291	442	5	15	753
Ukraine	98	197	0	8	303
Moldova	20	9	0	4	33
Belarus	20	37	0	1	58
Bosnia-Herzegovina	134	68	9	3	214
Macedonia	43	19	3	3	68
Croatia	39	15	0	4	58
Serbia	120	79	0	12	211
Yugoslavia	62	42	0	0	104
Romania	340	227	0	50	617
Bulgaria	360	124	4	5	493
Albania	18	46	2	2	68
Kosovo	10	12	0	1	23
Armenia	138	97	2	9	246
Georgia	60	26	2	11	99
Azerbaijan	20	45	0	1	66
Other European Nationalities	47	28	0	0	75
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.370</b>	<b>5.282</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>12.040</b>
AFRICA	0	0	0	0	
Ethiopia	75.810	266	2	1.201	77.279
Eritrea	568	545	3	19	1.135
Sudan	3.334	1.022	3	192	4.551
Senegal	73	60	45	5	183
Gambia	12	7	18	0	37
Guinea	19	19	9	0	47
Mauritania	67	56	6	13	142
Mali	58	12	21	3	94
Niger	53	63	22	1	139
Burkina Faso	12	9	20	1	42
Benin	56	37	59	6	158
Liberia	79	116	0	5	200
Sierra Leone	64	27	0	31	122
Togo	60	10	9	2	81
Ivory Coast	18	9	6	0	33
Nigeria	241	233	63	10	547
South Africa	409	195	0	31	635
Swaziland	8	12	0	1	21
Zimbabwe	38	24	0	10	72
Chad	94	55	12	1	162
Cameroon	18	3	3	0	24
Somalia	1.372	2.125	38	126	3.661
Djibouti	20	23	6	0	49
Madagascar	1.200	3	0	22	1.225
Mauritius	9	8	5	19	41
Ghana	707	43	14	27	791
Uganda	260	12	4	4	280
Malawi	10	15	0	0	25
Tanzania	33	22	13	1	69

Kenya	158	96	2	5	261
Comore Islands	36	28	12	2	78
Seychelles Islands	7	9	0	1	17
Other African Nationalities	52	59	11	1	123
<b>Total</b>	<b>84.955</b>	<b>5.223</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>1.740</b>	<b>92.324</b>
<b>AMERICA AND OCEANIA</b>		0	0		
U.S.A	7.806	4.987	5	469	13.267
Canada	2.626	3.796	7	101	6.530
Dominican Republic	100	179	0	6	285
Venezuela	97	125	0	2	224
Colombia	49	43	0	2	94
Trinidad and Tobago	11	12	0	1	24
Granada	10	7	0	0	17
Jamaica	12	5	0	0	17
Mexico	16	42	0	2	60
Brasil	87	86	0	25	198
Bolivia	14	40	0	1	55
Peru	11	7	0	1	19
Ecuador	8	12	0	1	21
Argentina	57	25	0	6	88
Australia	400	645	0	13	1.058
New Zealand	126	175	0	10	311
Fiji Islands	49	5	0	2	56
Other American and Oceanian Nationalities	55	52	0	4	111
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.534</b>	<b>10.243</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>22.436</b>
U.N.	4	2	0	0	6
Unknown Nationalities	1	0	0	0	1
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>1.771.137</b>	<b>475.688</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>52.046</b>	<b>2.299.691</b>

Source: Ministry of Interior

## ANNEXED NOTE

### 1. Definitions and data collection method

The migration status is inferred from the distribution of expatriates by type of residence permits they hold as of December 31st, the given year (cf. table in file MOV 2.3).

**Workers** are holders of permits n°17 (governmental labor), 18 (non-governmental labor); 19 (business) and 20 (domestic help).

**Family members** are holders of a dependent permit: spouse, children or elderly dependent relatives can join visa holder (sponsor) in Kuwait, if the expatriate has obtained a residency and is earning a minimum of KD250 a month (private and government sector alike).

A working wife cannot sponsor her husband as a dependent. Also, sons over the

age of 21 years cannot be sponsored as dependants, though adult daughters and parents may be permitted. Dependent family members are not allowed to work on a Dependent Visa, unless they transfer it into a work visa under Kuwaiti sponsorship. This can be done only after 6 to 12 months of holding a dependent visa.

Every children including new born babies must hold a residency permit. The application for the infant's residence must be made within 60 days of the birth

The Dependent Visa holder is permitted to stay as long as the sponsor holds a valid visa.

**Students** are holders of a study visa

**Other residents** are holders of:

\* **Temporary permit:** An expatriate may be granted temporary residence under article 14 of the immigration regulations in special cases where he does not need or cannot get ordinary residence.

This allows the expatriate to stay for up to one year, for personal emergencies such as illness, or after resignation from employment in order to settle financial affairs or a court case.

\* **Self residence permit:** Expatriates may sponsor themselves under article 24 of the regulations and obtain a residence for two to five years under several conditions

(among which: being aged 60 and more, having worked no less than 25 years in Kuwait, owning a capital of 10000 KD at least; being able to produce a certificate of good conduct, being effectively residing in Kuwait with his/her family, etc.).

This form of residence can be renewed upon expiry. Self-sponsored expatriates may sponsor their wives and children.

**Residency procedures do not apply to GCC nationals.**

**The bidoun, a stateless population, are not included in the residency documents holders.**

**The table thus excludes the Bidoun residents, the non-Kuwaiti GCC citizens and those in irregular situation.**

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

Ministry of Interior

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

December 31st, given years

### **4. Data availability**

2012 data is unpublished as of September 15th, 2013 and has been obtained from MoI.