

Population by nationality group, sex and age group (Kuwait, June 2013)

	Kuwaitis			Arabs			Asians			Africans			Non-Kuwaitis			Europeans			North Americans			South Americans			Australians-Oceanians			TOTAL non-Kuwaitis			GRAND TOTAL	
Age group	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total		
0-4	83,757	81,121	164,878	52,864	50,725	103,589	23,635	22,229	45,264	262	195	397	578	559	1,137	1,193	1,086	2,279	57	60	117	95	83	178	78,824	74,937	152,961	161,781	156,058	317,839		
5-9	79,224	76,546	155,770	45,658	43,215	88,873	18,526	17,879	36,405	147	141	288	686	528	1,134	1,044	1,005	2,049	47	105	91	84	175	66,130	62,899	129,029	145,354	139,445	284,799			
10-14	68,745	66,175	134,920	35,288	33,094	68,382	11,781	11,161	22,942	108	108	216	433	425	858	1,031	889	1,920	41	40	81	78	160	48,764	45,795	94,559	117,509	111,970	229,479			
15-19	67,164	64,571	131,735	33,843	30,161	64,004	8,402	7,535	15,937	185	135	320	329	302	631	756	712	1,468	60	49	109	81	81	162	43,656	38,975	82,631	110,820	103,546	214,366		
20-24	57,184	55,446	112,630	31,555	33,181	64,736	46,743	22,421	69,164	878	17,775	18,653	220	348	568	487	524	1,011	49	62	111	52	49	101	99,984	74,360	174,344	157,168	129,806	286,974		
25-29	49,855	50,276	100,131	101,643	47,180	148,823	143,595	68,537	212,132	2,899	31,457	34,356	337	647	984	873	728	1,601	89	66	155	36	57	93	249,472	148,672	398,144	299,327	198,948	498,275		
30-34	41,249	43,454	84,703	103,552	41,369	144,921	196,584	84,082	280,666	1,392	10,671	12,063	559	754	1,313	1,110	667	1,777	56	66	122	50	52	102	303,303	137,661	440,964	344,552	181,115	525,667		
35-39	35,389	39,620	75,009	78,497	29,188	107,685	178,439	81,920	260,359	701	3,403	4,104	639	748	1,387	904	555	1,459	62	58	120	47	45	92	259,199	115,917	375,116	294,588	155,537	450,125		
40-44	30,786	34,956	65,742	61,773	21,514	83,287	148,976	64,540	213,516	387	829	1,216	769	617	1,386	1,107	537	1,644	81	35	116	67	60	127	213,160	88,132	301,292	243,946	123,088	367,034		
45-49	26,210	30,307	56,517	52,153	16,948	69,101	105,269	44,006	149,275	309	233	542	777	527	1,304	1,388	502	1,890	70	46	116	79	63	142	160,045	62,325	222,370	186,255	92,632	278,887		
50-54	19,969	24,243	44,212	36,184	12,599	48,783	64,225	22,189	86,414	179	119	298	716	427	1,143	1,387	517	1,904	73	26	99	84	49	133	102,768	35,926	138,694	122,737	60,169	182,906		
55-59	14,779	19,671	34,450	24,423	8,712	33,135	36,717	9,897	46,614	133	89	222	604	304	908	1,009	356	1,365	51	26	77	64	26	90	63,001	19,410	82,411	77,780	39,881	116,661		
60-64	9,535	13,756	23,291	14,001	5,791	19,792	14,525	4,110	18,635	63	62	125	433	202	635	588	215	803	23	10	33	41	15	56	29,674	10,405	40,079	39,289	24,161	63,370		
>65	18,843	24,190	43,033	12,505	9,087	21,592	7,002	2,486	9,486	30	18	48	327	203	530	415	184	599	15	13	28	26	19	45	20,320	12,008	32,328	39,163	36,198	75,361		
TOTAL	602,689	624,332	1,227,021	703,769	382,764	1,086,533	1,003,819	462,990	1,466,809	7,613	65,235	72,848	7,327	6,591	13,918	13,292	8,477	21,769	785	604	1,389	895	761	1,656	1,737	500	927	4,222	664,922	340,189	1,551,754	891,943

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: June 2013

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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