

Population by nationality (Kuwaiti / non-Kuwaiti), sex and age group (2012)

Age group	Kuwaitis			Non-Kuwaitis			Total		
	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total
0-4	82.384	79.748	162.132	75.122	72.408	147.530	157.506	152.156	309.662
5-9	78.318	75.935	154.253	63.711	60.458	124.169	142.029	136.393	278.422
10-14	68.379	65.620	133.999	46.864	44.615	91.479	115.243	110.235	225.478
15-19	66.780	64.271	131.051	43.205	37.704	80.909	109.985	101.975	211.960
20-24	56.518	54.736	111.254	101.527	75.124	176.651	158.045	129.860	287.905
25-29	49.116	49.884	99.000	243.799	145.936	389.735	292.915	195.820	488.735
30-34	40.696	42.949	83.645	302.666	134.717	437.383	343.362	177.666	521.028
35-39	35.199	39.364	74.563	253.319	112.919	366.238	288.518	152.283	440.801
40-44	30.346	34.424	64.770	209.997	86.504	296.501	240.343	120.928	361.271
45-49	25.701	29.766	55.467	153.900	60.203	214.103	179.601	89.969	269.570
50-54	19.562	23.848	43.410	101.023	34.723	135.746	120.585	58.571	179.156
55-59	14.647	19.530	34.177	61.469	18.865	80.334	76.116	38.395	114.511
60-64	9.135	13.506	22.641	29.070	10.052	39.122	38.205	23.558	61.763
65-69	6.809	9.749	16.558	11.519	5.189	16.708	18.328	14.938	33.266
70-74	5.419	6.565	11.984	4.879	2.915	7.794	10.298	9.480	19.778
75-79	3.539	3.975	7.514	2.148	1.698	3.846	5.687	5.673	11.360
80-84	1.759	1.919	3.678	808	969	1.777	2.567	2.888	5.455
>85	1.058	1.282	2.340	442	825	1.267	1.500	2.107	3.607
TOTAL	595.365	617.071	1.212.436	1.705.468	905.824	2.611.292	2.300.833	1.522.895	3.823.728

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).

2. Institution which provides data

The Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI)

3. Period of data coverage: December 2012

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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