

Qatar: Some estimates of foreign residents in Qatar by country of citizenship (selected countries, c. 2015-2016)

Country of citizenship	Estimates (total population)	Date of reference
India	650,000	Dec 2016
Nepal	>350,000	Jan 2017
Bangladesh	280,000	May 2016
Philippines	260,000	Jan 2017
Egypt	200,000	Feb 2015
Sri Lanka	145,256	Dec 2016
Pakistan	125,000	Oct 2016
Syria	54,000	Nov 2015
Sudan	50,000	Apr 2015
Indonesia	43,000	Sep 2016
Jordan	40,000	Dec 2014
Iran	30,000	Dec 2013
UK	25,000	Apr 2015
Lebanon	24,000	Jan 2017
Ethiopia	22,000	Jun 2015
Tunisia	20,000	Jan 2016
Palestine	20,000	May 2016
Kenya	14,000	Aug 2016
USA*	>11,000	Mar 2015
China	>10,000	Jan 2016
Eritrea	10,000	Aug 2016
Canada	9,000	Feb 2017
Iraq	8,976	Dec 2014
Turkey	8,000	Oct 2016
Nigeria	7,500	Oct 2016
South Africa	6,000	May 2016
Australia	5,500	Nov. 2016
Algeria	5,000	March 2016
France	5,000	Apr 2016
Ghana	5,000	Jan 2015
Malaysia	4,848	Feb 2016
Thailand	4,500	Mar 2016
Afghanistan	3,500 – 4,000	Nov 2012
Spain	3,500	Jan 2017

Uganda	3,000	Nov 2016
Romania	2,500	Apr 2015
Greece	2,200	May 2016
Italy	2,100	Nov 2016
Germany	2,000	Jan 2017
Ireland	2,000	May 2015
Russia	2,000	Mar 2016
South Korea	2,000	Dec 2015
Vietnam	2,000	Feb 2016
Serbia	2,000	Feb 2017
Portugal	1,500	Mar 2016
Brazil	1,500	Jul 2016
Netherlands	1,432	Mar 2016
Albania	1,200	Jan 2017
Macedonia	1,000	Dec 2013
Ukraine	1,000	Nov 2016
New Zealand	989	Feb 2017
Japan	944	Jan 2017
Denmark	900	Feb 2017
Poland	700 – 800	Feb 2017
Belgium	600	Jan 2017
Cuba	600	May 2016
Sweden	527	Feb 2017
Bulgaria	500	Jan 2017
Croatia	500	Nov 2016
Austria	500	Nov 2016
Argentina	400	Jan 2017
Mexico	400	Oct 2015
Venezuela	337	Dec 2014
Kyrgyzstan	330	Feb 2017
Hungary	300	Jan 2017
Singapore	300	Dec 2014
Switzerland	250	Dec 2014
Senegal	a few hundreds	Mar 2016
Belarus	200	Jan 2017
Finland	200	Jan 2017
Kazakhstan	200	Aug 2015
Colombia	200	Feb 2017
Norway	160	2015
Moldova	154	Jan 2017
Gambia	135	Dec 2013
Azerbaijan	120	Dec 2014
Ecuador	100	Dec 2014
El Salvador	100	Dec 2014

Slovakia	100	Jan. 2017
Czech Republic	100	Feb 2017
Benin	82	Dec. 2014
Dominican Republic	44	Dec 2014
Liberia	40	Dec 2013
Brunei	20	Dec 2013
Latvia	10	Jan 2017
Liechtenstein	1	Jan 2015

Source: SNOJ, J. Population of Qatar by nationality – 2017 report, Priya DSouza Consultancy, February 2017.

<http://priyadsouza.com/population-of-qatar-by-nationality-in-2017/>

*Military personnel only. Data for overall US population in Qatar not available.

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Technical Notes and Definitions

The nationality breakdown of Qatar's population (Qataris/ non-Qataris), and the breakdown of the foreign population by country of citizenship is concealed by the Ministry of Development Planning and Statistics (MDPS), in charge of gathering and disseminating statistical data on the country. However, since 2013-2014, Doha-based journalist and consultant Jure Snoj has been collecting and compiling figures of foreign residents in Qatar from several sources (embassies, press quotes of Qatari officials' interviews, etc.).

The first publication of these data in BQ magazine (<http://www.bq-magazine.com/economy/2013/12/population-qatar-nationality>) was consistent with a 2013 publication of governmental figures on selected nationalities: (English: <http://www.arabianbusiness.com/qatar-s-population-exceeds-2m-521314.html>; Arabic: Al-Raya newspaper <http://www.raya.com/news/locals>, October 1, 2013, p. 20).

Latest release of data (2017 Report), under the umbrella of Priya DSouza Consultancy firm displays figures for 87 nationalities.

The author states the origin of data as follows in the 2017 report:

"The majority of figures shown in the table below have been sourced from foreign embassies in Qatar. While they are mostly estimates, in many cases the embassies have been clear the data was given to them by Qatar's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, meaning that data was exact at the day of issuing the report. In several additional cases the Government of Qatar has made data for specific nationalities publicly available.

These occasions happened when a high-ranking official was interviewed by the media, as well as a few instances of the figures appearing on official Qatari Governmental websites."

(<http://priyadsouza.com/population-of-qatar-by-nationality-in-2017/>).

2. Institution which provides data

Priya DSouza Consultancy

3. Data availability

The data is taken from:

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