

# Saudi Arabia: Population by nationality (Saudi/non-Saudi) and sex (2010-2024)

	Saudis			Non-Saudis			Total population		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2010	7,066,599	6,979,565	14,046,164	7,156,237	2,776,086	9,932,323	14,222,836	9,755,651	23,978,487
2011	7,210,243	7,131,886	14,342,129	7,896,884	2,852,854	10,749,738	15,107,127	9,984,740	25,091,867
2012	7,380,972	7,302,574	14,683,546	8,568,573	2,916,742	11,485,315	15,949,545	10,219,316	26,168,861
2013	7,581,015	7,498,386	15,079,401	9,469,421	3,075,182	12,544,603	17,050,436	10,573,568	27,624,004
2014	7,812,695	7,722,341	15,535,036	9,641,977	3,132,260	12,774,237	17,454,672	10,854,601	28,309,273
2015	8,029,058	7,939,013	15,968,071	10,621,855	3,226,456	13,848,311	18,650,913	11,165,469	29,816,382
2016	8,218,925	8,136,387	16,355,312	11,296,387	3,302,499	14,598,886	19,515,312	11,438,886	30,954,198
2017	8,383,654	8,313,326	16,696,980	10,949,843	3,330,532	14,280,375	19,333,497	11,643,858	30,977,355
2018	8,578,445	8,507,191	17,085,636	10,002,472	3,108,173	13,110,645	18,580,917	11,615,364	30,196,281
2019	8,790,733	8,716,438	17,507,171	9,553,850	3,002,778	12,556,628	18,344,583	11,719,216	30,063,799
2020	9,030,279	8,948,308	17,978,587	10,248,548	3,325,375	13,573,923	19,278,827	12,273,683	31,552,510
2021	9,228,524	9,152,145	18,380,669	9,341,023	3,062,691	12,403,714	18,569,547	12,214,836	30,784,383
2022	9,434,131	9,358,131	18,792,262	10,244,464	3,138,498	13,382,962	19,678,595	12,496,629	32,175,224
2023	9,641,422	9,604,507	19,245,929	11,153,512	3,303,290	14,456,802	20,794,934	12,907,797	33,702,731
2024	9,827,595	9,807,663	19,635,258	12,088,577	3,576,445	15,665,022	21,916,172	13,384,108	35,300,280

Source: GStat

## ANNEXED NOTE

### 1. Technical Notes and Definitions

**2023-2024:** The methodology involves estimating the population for each age group, as well as gender and nationality, following international standards and practices. The General Authority for Statistics uses the (Method Component-Cohort) approach, leveraging data from various sources, including the National Information Center for administrative records to provide key components such as births, deaths, and migration. Changes in the demographic characteristics for 2024 are assessed against the previous population report from the Authority, using data from the 2022 Saudi Census.

<https://www.stats.gov.sa/documents/20117/2435273/Population+Estimates+Statistics+2024+EN.pdf/9b71e303-5fd9-19cb-9913-850a9d521639?t=1738859947691>

Methodological report:

[https://www.stats.gov.sa/documents/20117/2435133/Methodology+and+Quality+Report+for+Population+Projections+and+Estimates+Statistics+\\_EN.pdf/0fdb394f-8a13-82e0-ed7c-c240b338d25f?t=1738829096975](https://www.stats.gov.sa/documents/20117/2435133/Methodology+and+Quality+Report+for+Population+Projections+and+Estimates+Statistics+_EN.pdf/0fdb394f-8a13-82e0-ed7c-c240b338d25f?t=1738829096975)

**2010-2022:** Source: Saudi census 2022

**Date of reference:** 10 May 2022

**Population of reference:** Families and individual citizens and residents within the Kingdom, regardless of the status of their identification documents.

Visitors for Hajj, Umrah and tourism are excluded from the census.

**Methodology:**

The first phase of the 2020 census began on 3 February 2020 (enumeration of buildings and households). Census 2022 used geospatial data, including satellite images, electricity consumption and mobile phone data, to improve the accuracy and geographic coverage of address canvassing. The 2022 census used a combined methodology – administrative records, fieldwork and digital self-enumeration.

Household data were collected from e-portals of self-enumeration (on residents' mobile devices, laptops or personal computers, or self-enumeration stations/kiosks, located in shopping centers).

The digital self-enumeration process was complemented by face-to-face interviews, using digital tablets.

Census 2022 used a *de jure* approach: enumerating people according to their usual place of residence.

Administrative data from multiple sources was used to cross-validate collected census data.

Census 2022 was designed as a launchpad for several new secure statistical data registers for population, housing, and businesses.

**See census methodology in:**

<https://portal.saudicensus.sa/portal/public/methodology>

Portal of the Saudi census:

<https://portal.saudicensus.sa/portal>

**Population data for 2010-22 were revised and backcasted, based on 2022 population census and past years' administrative data.**

**2. Institution which provides data**

General Authority for Statistics (GASat)

**3. Data availability**

**2010-2022:** retrieved from the Saudi census section on GASat website:

<https://portal.saudicensus.sa/portal>

Accessible from the "Statistics" section, then "Social Statistics", "Vitals and Demographics Statistics", Saudi census statistics 2022

<https://www.stats.gov.sa/en/statistics?index=119025&subindex=127380#>

"Population statistics" section, then "Population growth statistics"

<https://portal.saudicensus.sa/portal/public/1/15?type=TABLE>

Selected, pre-set tables can be downloaded from the thematic section.

**2023-2024:** "Statistics", "Social Statistics", "Vitals and Demographics Statistics", "population estimates statistics".

<https://www.stats.gov.sa/en/statistics-tabs?tab=436312&category=2366987>

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