

UAE, Abu Dhabi: Mid-year population estimates by nationality (Emirati/non-Emirati) and sex (1960-2016)

Year	Nationals			Non-nationals			TOTAL		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
1960	6,211	4,853	11,064	8,635	209	8,844	14,846	5,062	19,908
1961	7,041	5,543	12,584	11,031	476	11,507	18,072	6,019	24,091
1962	7,871	6,233	14,104	13,427	743	14,170	21,298	6,976	28,274
1963	8,327	6,594	14,921	14,633	896	15,529	22,960	7,490	30,450
1964	8,810	6,976	15,786	15,947	1,080	17,027	24,757	8,056	32,813
1965	9,321	7,380	16,701	17,379	1,302	18,681	26,700	8,682	35,382
1966	9,861	7,808	17,669	18,940	1,570	20,510	28,801	9,378	38,179
1967	10,433	8,261	18,694	20,641	1,893	22,534	31,074	10,154	41,228
1968	11,038	8,740	19,778	22,493	2,281	24,774	33,531	11,021	44,552
1969	12,592	10,115	22,707	28,439	3,269	31,708	41,031	13,384	54,415
1970	14,364	11,707	26,071	35,957	4,685	40,642	50,321	16,392	66,713
1971	16,386	13,549	29,935	45,462	6,714	52,176	61,848	20,263	82,111
1972	18,692	15,681	34,373	57,480	9,621	67,101	76,172	25,302	101,474
1973	21,323	18,148	39,471	72,675	13,787	86,462	93,998	31,935	125,933
1974	24,324	21,003	45,327	91,887	19,757	111,644	116,211	40,760	156,971
1975	27,746	24,308	52,054	116,176	28,309	144,485	143,922	52,617	196,539
1976	30,688	26,971	57,659	136,742	34,044	170,786	167,430	61,015	228,445
1977	33,942	29,926	63,868	160,949	40,941	201,890	194,891	70,867	265,758
1978	37,541	33,204	70,745	189,441	49,236	238,677	226,982	82,440	309,422
1979	41,521	36,841	78,362	222,976	59,211	282,187	264,497	96,052	360,549
1980	45,922	40,877	86,799	262,447	71,209	333,656	308,369	112,086	420,455
1981	49,564	44,595	94,159	271,003	78,390	349,393	320,567	122,985	443,552
1982	53,495	48,651	102,146	279,838	86,295	366,133	333,333	134,946	468,279
1983	57,738	53,076	110,814	288,961	94,997	383,958	346,699	148,073	494,772
1984	62,318	57,904	120,222	298,382	104,577	402,959	360,700	162,481	523,181
1985	67,262	63,171	130,433	308,111	115,124	423,235	375,373	178,295	553,668
1986	70,713	66,578	137,291	324,884	120,320	445,204	395,597	186,898	582,495
1987	74,341	70,169	144,510	342,570	125,751	468,321	416,911	195,920	612,831
1988	78,155	73,953	152,108	361,219	131,427	492,646	439,374	205,380	644,754
1989	82,165	77,941	160,106	380,883	137,359	518,242	463,048	215,300	678,348
1990	86,381	82,144	168,525	401,618	143,559	545,177	487,999	225,703	713,702
1991	90,813	86,574	177,387	423,482	150,039	573,521	514,295	236,613	750,908
1992	95,472	91,243	186,715	446,536	156,811	603,347	542,008	248,054	790,062
1993	100,370	96,164	196,534	470,845	163,889	634,734	571,215	260,053	831,268
1994	105,520	101,350	206,870	496,477	171,286	667,763	601,997	272,636	874,633
1995	110,933	106,815	217,748	523,507	179,016	702,523	634,440	285,831	920,271
1996	116,223	112,360	228,583	540,556	186,657	727,213	656,779	299,017	955,796
1997	121,765	118,193	239,958	558,161	194,624	752,785	679,926	312,817	992,743
1998	127,572	124,329	251,901	576,339	202,931	779,270	703,911	327,260	1,031,171
1999	133,656	130,783	264,439	595,109	211,593	806,702	728,765	342,376	1,071,141
2000	140,030	137,572	277,602	614,490	220,624	835,114	754,520	358,196	1,112,716
2001	146,707	144,714	291,421	634,502	230,040	864,542	781,209	374,754	1,155,963
2002	153,047	150,745	303,792	658,813	244,080	902,893	811,860	394,825	1,206,685
2003	159,661	157,027	316,688	684,055	258,977	943,032	843,716	416,004	1,259,720

2004	166,561	163,571	330,132	710,264	274,783	985,047	876,825	438,354	1,315,179
2005	173,861	170,489	344,350	738,003	291,816	1,029,819	911,864	462,305	1,374,169
2006	181,793	178,385	360,177	793,371	307,930	1,101,301	975,164	486,315	1,461,478
2007	190,369	187,277	377,646	873,504	323,131	1,196,635	1,063,873	510,408	1,574,281
2008	199,232	196,497	395,729	961,173	338,886	1,300,059	1,160,405	535,383	1,695,788
2009	208,387	206,054	414,441	1,057,029	355,203	1,412,232	1,265,416	561,257	1,826,674
2010	224,498	212,985	437,483	1,236,296	420,701	1,656,997	1,460,794	633,686	2,094,480
2011	234,414	220,651	455,065	1,289,871	416,683	1,706,554	1,524,285	637,334	2,161,619
2012	246,390	230,340	476,730	1,415,660	442,180	1,857,840	1,662,050	672,520	2,334,570
2013	255,250	240,120	495,370	1,492,580	465,150	1,957,730	1,747,830	705,270	2,453,100
2014	261,200	246,279	507,479	1,504,940	644,029	2,148,969	1,766,140	890,308	2,656,448
2015	275,950	260,791	536,741	1,555,791	691,958	2,247,749	1,831,741	952,749	2,784,490
2016	282,632	268,903	551,535	1,574,986	781,652	2,356,638	1,857,618	1,050,555	2,908,173

Source: SCAD, Abu Dhabi

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Characteristics of data, definitions and population counting operations in the UAE

Population estimates are drawn using interpolation techniques. They are mid-year estimates.

The first population census was conducted in 1968 by the Council of Developing Trucial States.

After Independence in 1971, a population census of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi was conducted that same year.

The first general population and establishments census in the UAE was conducted in 1975. It was the first census in the region following scientific standards and international recommendations. The other federal censuses were conducted in 1980, 1985, 1995 and 2005.

Reference days for UAE censuses: 30/12/1975; 15/12/1980, 16/12/1985, 16/12/1995; 29/10/2001; 06/12/2005.

Implementation method: the census was carried out according to de jure methodology, i.e. counting persons using their usual place of residence

Population of reference: Emirati nationals usually residing in the country+all foreign residents holding a valid residence permit+resident GCC nationals (nationals of other GCC states don't need a permit to stay in the UAE)

In October 2011, SCAD conducted its first census of population and households.

2. Institution which provides data

Statistics centre of Abu Dhabi (SCAD), Abu Dhabi

3. Data availability

The data only concerns the Abu Dhabi resident population (nationals and foreign residents).

SCAD statistics on population:

<https://www.scad.ae/en/pages/statistics.aspx?topicid=24>

Abu Dhabi Statistical Yearbooks, chapter "Population and Demography":
<https://www.scad.ae/en/pages/GeneralPublications.aspx?pubid=79&themeid=7>

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