

UAE: Population by nationality (Emirati/ Non-Emirati) and Emirate (2005)

Emirate	Nationals	Non-nationals	Total
Abu Dhabi	350,277	1,049,207	1,399,484
Dubai	137,573	1,183,880	1,321,453
Al Sharjah	138,272	655,301	793,573
Ajman	39,231	167,766	206,997
Umm Al – Quwain	15,873	33,286	49,159
Ras Al Khaima	87,848	122,215	210,063
Al Fujairah	56,421	69,277	125,698
Grand Total	825,495	3,280,932	4,106,427

NBS, Ministry of Economy.

ANNEXED NOTE

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

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 day for 2005' census: 6 December 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)

2010' federal census was eventually cancelled but the Emirates Identity Authority (EIDA), an independent federal authority established in 2004, is currently in charge of recording all UAE residents, national and expatriates in order to set up a Population Register and an ID card program. The process is stil ongoing.

2. Institution which provides data

National Bureau of Statistics (NBS)

3. Data availability

Population statistics are available on NBS's website:

<http://www.uaestatistics.gov.ae/EnglishHome/tabid/96/Default.aspx>

<http://www.uaestatistics.gov.ae/Home/tabid/38/Default.aspx>

Data are classified by subject and statistical publications are available on PDF or Excel format. Population data disaggregated by nationality (Emirati/non-Emirati) are scarce.

2005' census data is available at:

<http://www.uaestatistics.gov.ae/EnglishHome/ReportsByDepartmentEnglish/tabid/104/Default.aspx?MenuId=1&NDId=365>

The present data is taken from:

<http://www.uaestatistics.gov.ae/EnglishHome/ReportDetailsEnglish/tabid/121/Default.aspx?ItemId=1869&PTID=104&MenuId=1>

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