

Working age population by nationality (Kuwaiti/ non-Kuwaiti), sex, age group and highest education level reached (2012)

Age group	Nationality Education level	KUWAITIS										NON KUWAITIS									
		Illiterate	Reads and writes	Elementary	Intermediate	High school diploma	Diploma	University degree	Postgraduate	NA	Total K.	Illiterate	Reads and writes	Elementary	Intermediate	High school diploma	Diploma	University degree	Postgraduate	NA	Total N.-K.
15-19	males	8	1	24,488	35,717	9,693	3	0	0	2,686	66,789	115	2,140	18,245	14,913	9,114	1	0	6,977	43,205	
	females	13	1	17,805	36,840	7,498	2	0	0	2,112	64,271	78	1,798	15,776	13,854	9,147	6	0	5,045	37,804	
20-24	total	21	2	42,213	72,557	11,481	5	0	0	4,772	131,051	193	4,038	34,021	28,667	2,061	7	0	11,922	80,999	
	males	5	8	13,828	16,553	20,468	3,150	629	3	1,874	56,518	2,175	37,035	7,678	35,719	9,366	1,706	1,334	7	6,507	101,527
	females	4	1	8,965	9,997	28,283	4,492	1,174	1	1,819	54,736	2,410	25,954	5,800	26,506	8,775	1,015	1,314	3	3,347	75,124
	total	9	9	22,743	26,500	49,742	11,453	4,492	4	3,476	11,395	4,146	32,399	18,776	32,293	5,721	2,248	19	9,553	101,527	
25-29	males	5	7	4,264	16,210	16,383	5,751	4,957	40	1,499	49,116	7,055	181,394	9,279	73,983	27,152	9,668	75	9,406	243,799	
	females	5	13	2,265	7,870	15,230	11,042	11,565	44	1,852	49,384	5,363	60,183	6,478	40,323	17,675	3,092	8,083	79	4,666	145,936
30-34	males	0	12	3,921	12,592	13,604	4,697	4,505	129	1,238	40,696	8,269	100,458	11,165	72,987	28,506	5,767	17,751	154	14,066	389,735
	females	2	14	4,407	7,400	11,331	5,118	11,799	171	1,253	40,699	4,149	52,175	5,988	33,113	11,110	8,039	208	10,660	121,217	
35-39	total	2	26	6,328	19,676	24,915	12,815	16,584	300	2,999	83,645	12,864	157,133	17,076	107,309	45,041	9,877	19,908	604	67,583	437,383
	males	2	39	5,208	10,878	9,352	3,980	4,455	181	1,188	35,199	7,888	82,333	11,436	57,642	25,176	6,218	10,154	514	51,956	253,319
	females	5	29	2,913	9,356	6,934	5,441	12,477	92	2,117	39,364	4,894	41,243	5,624	27,938	11,878	6,839	6,425	203	11,884	112,919
	total	7	68	8,121	20,744	16,296	10,222	16,392	273	3,021	74,593	12,762	17,860	8,509	37,054	9,948	16,708	711	63,949	300,228	
40-44	males	3	17	3,446	11,694	6,953	3,533	3,692	240	858	33,346	10,884	67,935	13,385	48,656	12,654	5,788	8,741	418	31,566	209,937
	females	19	13	2,550	10,439	6,201	4,887	8,499	121	2,586	34,424	5,593	30,099	3,814	20,183	10,034	2,294	4,624	169	9,699	86,504
	total	22	30	5,996	22,043	13,154	7,610	12,182	361	3,372	64,770	16,477	98,029	15,119	68,838	34,638	8,082	13,365	587	41,365	296,501
45-49	males	1	8	1,689	8,537	6,788	3,436	4,244	322	676	25,701	12,531	46,288	11,318	31,178	20,097	4,831	9,319	428	17,999	153,989
	females	56	23	2,409	7,701	5,034	3,511	6,123	120	3,599	29,706	5,170	19,539	2,727	11,189	1,940	3,137	12,173	6,177	6,177	60,003
	total	57	31	4,088	16,238	11,823	7,387	11,117	442	4,275	55,467	18,348	65,567	14,148	42,956	28,187	6,771	13,103	561	24,470	214,103
50-54	males	106	201	1,499	5,546	3,927	3,203	4,286	527	273	19,562	9,395	28,232	9,472	19,851	13,998	3,127	8,011	462	8,480	101,023
	females	2,058	842	2,032	5,064	3,250	4,163	4,791	157	1,491	23,848	4,849	9,044	1,863	5,422	5,417	1,459	3,091	134	3,444	34,723
	total	2,164	1,043	3,531	10,616	7,177	7,386	9,071	684	1,764	43,410	14,244	37,276	11,335	25,273	19,407	5,586	596	11,924	137,746	
55-59	males	156	193	4,355	4,239	3,307	2,444	673	121	1,647	6,034	12,333	12,324	10,727	2,029	2,412	6,491	408	41,130	61,469	
	females	4,114	1,443	1,942	3,876	1,880	3,069	2,765	219	222	19,539	3,433	3,849	1,087	2,499	3,112	1,206	2,762	126	1,291	18,665
	total	4,280	1,833	3,377	8,158	4,209	5,376	5,709	892	343	34,177	9,465	19,182	7,311	13,226	12,741	3,618	8,753	611	5,427	80,334
TOTAL	males	296	683	59,698	121,919	83,787	30,050	29,706	2,115	10,311	338,565	64,344	485,670	96,125	366,556	159,526	36,637	65,311	2,786	193,950	1,470,905
	females	6,276	2,379	43,288	98,227	85,621	44,365	60,212	925	17,479	358,772	37,032	243,699	49,172	181,816	82,571	16,952	37,898	1,054	56,581	706,495
	total	6,372	3,062	102,986	228,146	169,408	74,415	89,918	3,840	27,798	657,337	101,376	729,369	145,297	546,372	242,097	53,589	103,209	3,840	250,451	2,177,600

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 independant 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).

(c) Working age population: population aged 15 to 60.

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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