

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

Age group	Nationality	Education Level	Illiterate	Reads and writes	KUWAITIS								NON KUWAITIS								
					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
15-19	males	8	1	24,408	35,717	3,983	3	0	2,660	66,780	115	2,240	18,245	14,813	914	1	0	0	6,877	43,205	
	females	13	1	17,895	36,840	7,498	2	0	2,112	64,271	78	1,798	15,776	13,854	1,147	6	0	0	5,045	37,784	
20-24	total	21	2	42,213	72,557	11,481	5	0	4,772	131,051	193	4,038	34,021	28,667	2,061	7	0	0	11,922	80,989	
	males	5	8	13,828	16,553	20,468	3,150	629	3,150	629	3	1,874	56,518	2,175	37,035	7,678	35,719	9,366	1,706	6,507	101,527
25-29	females	4	1	8,965	9,997	28,283	4,492	1,174	1,819	54,736	2,410	25,954	5,808	26,506	8,775	1,015	1,314	3	3,347	75,124	
	total	9	9	22,793	26,550	48,751	7,642	1,893	3,693	111,254	4,585	62,909	13,478	62,225	18,141	2,721	2,648	10	9,854	176,651	
30-34	males	5	7	4,264	16,210	16,383	5,751	4,937	1,499	49,116	7,055	103,394	9,279	73,983	27,352	5,787	9,668	75	9,406	243,799	
	females	5	13	2,265	7,870	15,230	11,042	11,563	44	1,852	49,884	5,363	60,183	6,478	40,323	17,675	3,092	8,083	79	4,660	145,936
35-39	total	10	20	6,529	24,080	31,613	16,793	16,520	3,351	99,000	12,418	161,577	15,757	114,306	44,027	8,879	17,751	154	14,066	389,735	
	males	0	12	3,921	12,592	13,604	4,697	4,505	1,236	49,696	8,269	104,958	11,168	73,897	26,598	6,767	11,599	207	56,923	302,666	
40-44	females	2	14	2,407	7,084	11,311	8,118	12,079	171	1,763	42,949	4,595	52,175	5,908	33,313	16,443	3,110	8,306	207	10,660	134,717
	total	2	26	6,328	19,076	24,915	12,815	16,584	300	2,999	83,645	12,864	157,133	17,076	107,300	45,041	9,077	19,905	604	67,583	437,383
45-49	males	2	39	5,288	19,078	9,352	3,800	4,655	181	1,184	35,189	7,088	92,335	11,436	57,642	25,176	6,218	18,154	514	51,956	253,328
	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	2,830	6,425	203	11,884	112,919
50-54	total	7	68	8,121	28,234	16,286	9,421	16,932	273	3,221	74,563	12,782	123,578	17,060	85,580	37,054	9,048	16,579	717	63,840	366,238
	males	3	17	3,446	11,684	6,953	3,523	3,692	240	868	30,246	10,884	67,935	11,305	48,656	24,604	5,788	8,741	418	31,666	209,997
55-59	females	19	13	2,550	10,439	6,201	4,887	8,498	121	2,584	34,424	5,593	30,094	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	68,839	34,638	8,082	13,365	587	41,365	296,501
60-64	males	1	8	1,089	8,537	6,788	3,436	4,244	322	676	25,781	12,531	46,288	11,318	31,178	20,097	4,031	9,318	428	17,999	153,900
	females	56	23	2,409	7,703	5,034	3,951	6,873	120	3,599	29,786	5,817	19,359	2,822	11,778	8,990	1,940	3,793	133	6,471	60,083
65-69	total	57	31	4,098	16,238	11,822	7,387	11,117	442	4,275	55,467	18,348	65,567	14,140	42,956	28,187	6,771	13,103	561	24,470	214,103
	males	106	201	1,499	5,546	3,927	3,283	4,288	527	273	19,562	9,395	28,252	9,472	19,851	13,990	3,127	8,014	462	4,480	101,023
70-74	females	2,658	842	2,832	5,064	3,250	4,163	4,791	157	1,491	23,848	4,849	9,844	1,963	5,422	5,417	1,459	3,093	134	3,444	34,723
	total	2,164	1,043	3,531	10,610	7,177	7,366	9,071	684	1,764	43,410	14,244	37,276	11,335	25,273	19,487	4,586	11,105	596	11,924	135,746
75-79	males	166	390	1,435	4,282	2,329	2,307	2,944	673	121	14,647	6,032	15,333	6,224	10,727	9,629	2,412	6,491	485	4,136	61,469
	females	4,114	1,443	1,942	3,876	1,880	3,869	2,785	216	222	19,538	3,433	3,849	1,087	2,499	3,112	1,206	2,262	126	1,291	18,065
80-84	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
	males	296	683	59,698	121,919	83,787	38,658	29,786	2,115	10,311	338,565	64,344	485,670	96,125	366,556	159,526	36,637	65,311	2,786	193,950	1,476,905
85-89	females	6,276	2,379	43,288	98,227	65,621	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	56,591	786,695
	total	6,572	3,062	102,986	220,146	169,408	74,415	89,918	3,840	27,790	697,337	101,376	729,369	145,297	548,372	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 independent 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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