

Kuwait: Population by nationality group, sex and age group (Kuwait, December 2013)

Age group	Kuwaitis			Arabs			Asians			Africans			Non-Kuwaitis			North Americans			South Americans			Australians- Oceanians			TOTAL non-Kuwaitis			GRAND TOTAL		
	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total	males	females	total
0-4	83,604	80,879	164,483	54,129	52,089	106,218	23,494	22,598	46,092	213	194	407	589	583	1,172	1,289	1,067	2,276	55	60	115	96	83	179	79,785	76,674	156,459	163,389	157,553	320,942
5-9	88,615	77,762	158,377	48,592	45,876	94,468	19,587	19,832	38,539	159	143	302	634	581	1,215	1,076	1,047	2,123	57	47	104	96	88	184	78,121	66,814	136,935	150,736	144,576	295,312
10-14	69,408	66,975	136,383	37,872	34,662	72,534	12,500	11,829	24,329	107	121	228	474	467	941	1,049	993	1,952	46	40	86	86	75	161	52,134	48,897	100,231	121,542	115,072	236,614
15-19	67,192	64,428	131,622	34,261	31,284	65,485	8,750	7,873	16,623	184	130	314	353	324	677	795	741	1,536	57	48	105	86	84	170	44,426	40,484	84,910	111,618	104,904	216,522
20-24	58,033	56,438	114,471	50,345	32,887	83,232	44,455	26,517	64,972	877	16,408	17,285	238	379	617	476	583	1,059	55	63	118	58	49	107	96,584	70,886	167,390	154,537	127,324	281,861
25-29	58,913	58,929	101,842	182,757	47,616	150,373	151,408	68,733	220,133	3,248	34,763	38,003	356	678	1,034	777	768	1,537	85	69	154	38	54	92	258,653	152,673	411,326	389,566	283,682	513,168
30-34	42,179	44,279	86,458	184,954	42,443	146,497	198,192	86,198	284,390	1,622	11,446	13,068	580	823	1,403	997	658	1,655	63	74	137	52	63	115	305,470	141,705	447,175	347,640	185,984	533,633
35-39	35,765	39,946	75,711	80,188	29,950	110,858	184,468	84,664	269,132	768	3,601	4,369	625	786	1,411	872	555	1,427	64	56	120	56	50	106	266,961	119,662	386,623	382,726	159,688	462,334
40-44	31,239	35,226	66,465	62,089	21,898	83,987	156,933	66,030	216,963	421	991	1,412	811	665	1,476	977	549	1,526	82	37	119	59	61	120	215,372	90,231	305,603	246,611	125,457	372,068
45-49	26,695	38,868	57,563	52,659	17,175	69,834	108,164	45,359	153,523	335	260	595	755	566	1,321	1,263	586	1,769	68	47	115	85	57	142	163,329	63,970	227,299	190,024	94,838	284,862
50-54	20,547	24,834	45,381	37,015	12,572	49,587	64,646	22,959	87,605	185	112	297	761	455	1,216	1,344	528	1,872	78	32	110	84	52	136	104,113	36,710	140,823	124,669	61,544	186,204
55-59	15,156	20,236	35,392	24,591	8,608	33,191	37,862	10,331	48,193	143	97	240	628	318	946	967	368	1,325	49	28	77	66	23	89	64,386	19,765	84,071	79,462	40,901	119,463
60-64	10,030	14,298	24,328	14,244	5,749	19,993	15,203	4,447	19,650	67	62	129	437	217	654	594	229	823	31	11	42	41	20	61	38,617	10,735	41,352	48,647	25,833	65,680
>65	19,169	24,864	44,033	12,393	8,788	21,173	7,361	2,596	9,957	32	22	54	349	209	558	444	188	632	17	13	30	26	18	44	20,622	11,826	32,448	39,791	36,690	76,481
TOTAL	618,545,631	954,124,242	4,999,715,049	3,931,581,106	6,301,026	8,454,731,166	1,500,011	8,353	68,358	76,703	7,590	7,051	14,641	12,840	8,682	21,522	807	625	1,432	929	777	1,706	1,772	4,139,560	2,322,722	6,452,382	5,951,582	1,863,965	14,144	

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).

(The children of Kuwaiti mothers and non-Kuwaiti fathers (with specific nationality) inherit the father's nationality. They are stateless if the father is stateless).

(c) Nationality group: collected according to the nationality of the head of the household.

Nationalities are grouped according to specific features common to certain population subgroups: language, geographic origin, etc. or according to internationally recognized categories such as: (Arab / non-Arab Asian countries / non-Arab African countries; European countries ... etc.).

2. Institution which provides data

The Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI)

3. Period of data coverage: 31 December 2013

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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