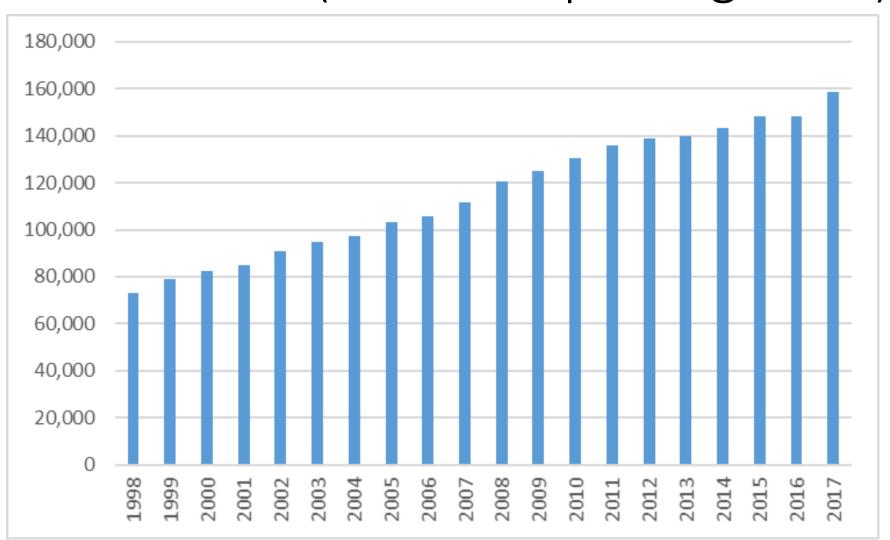
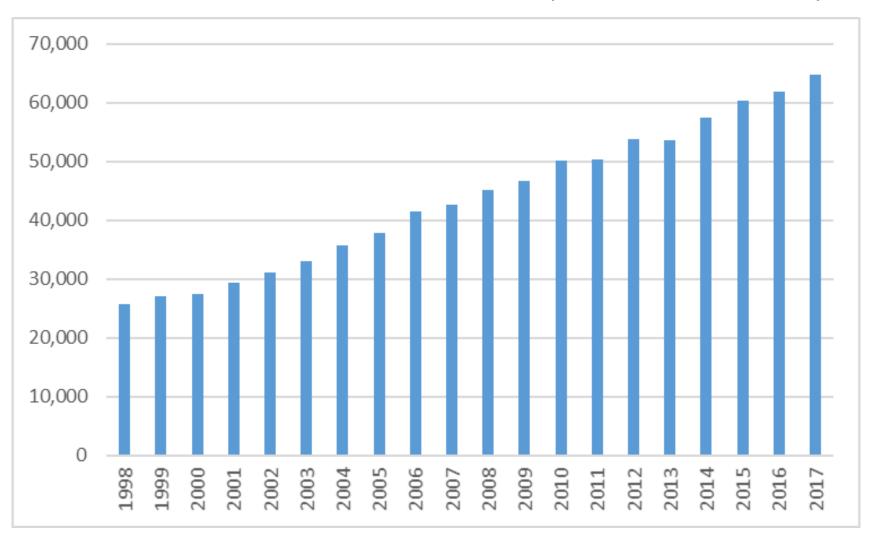
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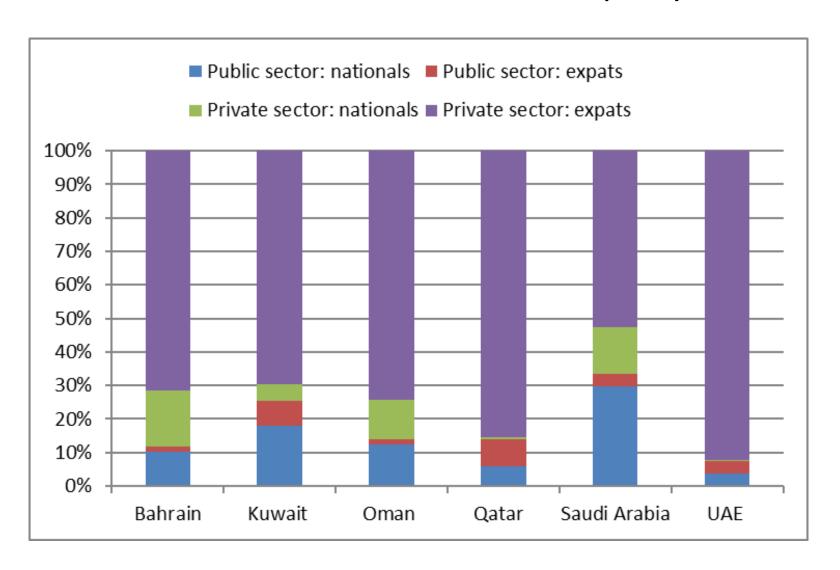
Total production of distilled water in Kuwait, 1998–2017 (million imperial gallons)



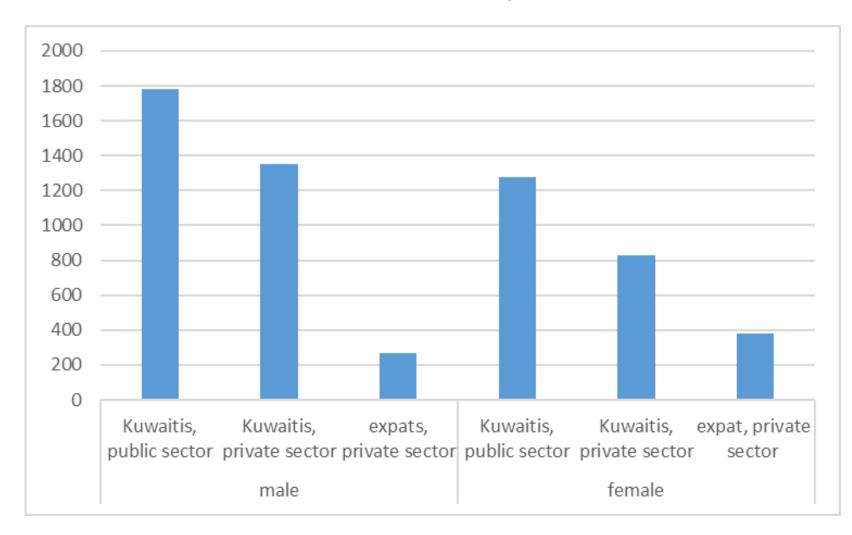
Electricity produced by Kuwaiti power stations under the MoEW, 1998–2017 (million kWh)



Public sector bias of national employment in GCC

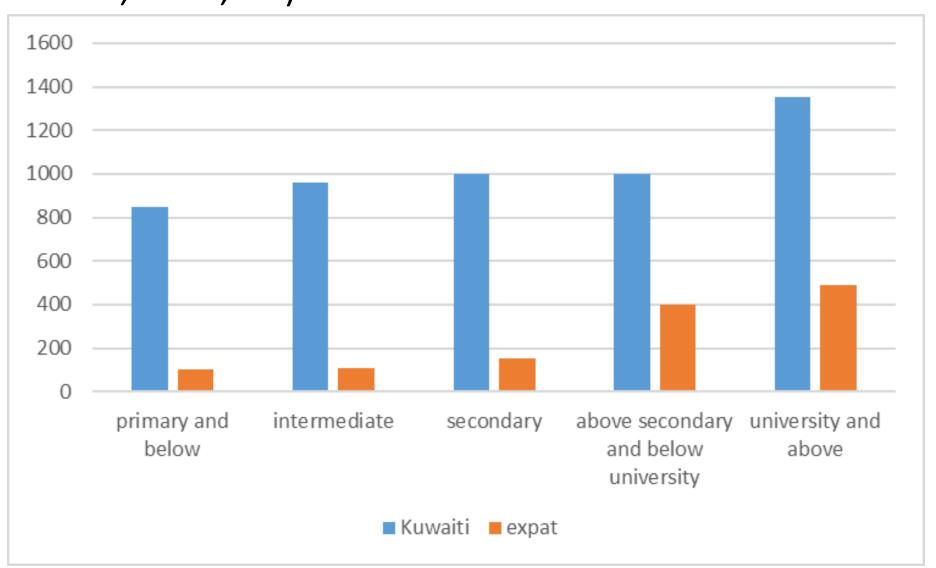


Average monthly salaries by sector, gender and nationality in Kuwait, Q3/2018 (KD)

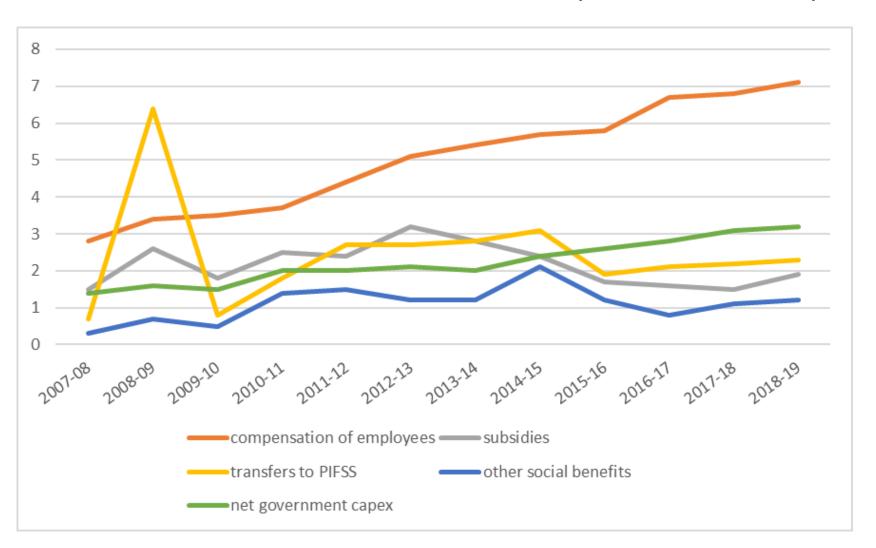


- 335,000 Kuwaitis worked in the public sector in 2018
- only 64,000 in the private sector

Average monthly wages by level of education and nationality, (all sectors, 2015, KD)



Kuwaiti government expenditure, 2007/08 to 2018/19 (KD billion)



Monthly KD cash grants that could be financed out of reduction of energy subsidies by 1.8b KD

	Monthly	Annual
UCG per Kuwaiti, flat	111.99	1343.87
UCG adults, flat	143.81	1725.75
UCG children, flat	71.91	862.87
UCG adults in government	60.00	720.00
UCG other adults	212.52	2550.22

Per capita annual net gains under UCG by household expenditure level (KD)

Monthly household	450-	1050-	1650-	2250-	2850-	3450+	
expenditure	1049	1649	2249	2849	3349		
Average household	3.9	6.1	6.4	7.8	8.0	9.2	
size (adults and							
children)							
Reference: per capita							
extra cost of new							
utility tariffs*	318.90	325.01	442.89	501.15	657.44	805.80	
Net annual per capita income effects at 100% consumption							
Two adults, none in							
public sector	1409.28	1091.10	947.28	794.38	627.27	423.89	
Two adults, one in							
public sector	939.99	791.06	661.31	559.73	398.49	224.96	
Two adults, both in							
public sector	470.70	491.02	375.33	325.09	169.71	26.02	
Net annual per capita income effects at 70% consumption							
Two adults, none in							
public sector	1511.75	1195.53	1089.59	955.41	838.53	682.82	
Two adults, one in							
public sector	1042.46	895.50	803.62	720.77	609.75	483.88	
Two adults, both in							
public sector	573.18	595.46	517.65	486.12	380.97	284.95	

- All categories of citizen households gain
- Poorer households gain disproportionately
- Households without government employees gain disproportionately

Surpluses/deficits under business as usual vs. UCG scenarios, 2007/08 to 2033/34

