

Kuwait

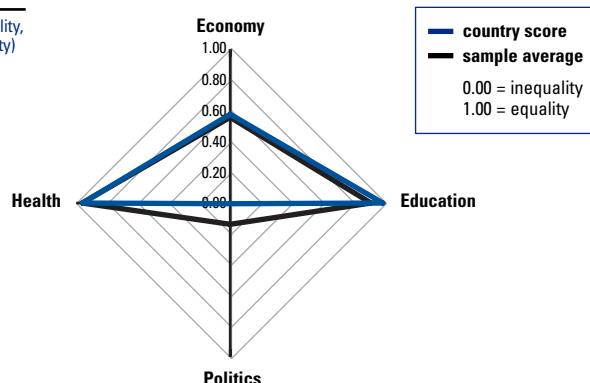
Gender Gap Index 2006

Rank **86** Score **0.634**

(out of 115 countries) (0.00 = inequality, 1.00 = equality)

Key Indicators

Total population (millions), 2005	2.70
GDP (US\$ billions), 2005.....	74.60
GDP (PPP) per capita	16,301
Population growth (%)	3.44
Mean age of marriage for women (years)	25
Overall population sex ratio (male/female).....	1.52
Year women received right to vote	—
Fertility rate (births per woman)	2.50



Gender Gap Subindexes

	Rank	Score	Sample average	Female	Male	Female-to-male ratio
Economic Participation and Opportunity	72	0.577	0.596			
Labour force participation	91	0.58	0.69	49%	85%	0.58
Wage equality for similar work (survey)	23	0.74	0.64	—	—	0.74
Income (PPP US\$)	101	0.35	0.52	8,448	24,204	0.35
Legislators, senior officials, and managers	—	—	0.37	—	—	—
Professional and technical workers.....	—	—	0.79	—	—	—
Educational Attainment	40	0.993	0.939			
Literacy rate	66	0.96	0.91	91%	94%	0.96
Enrolment in primary education.....	1	1.00	0.97	87%	85%	1.03
Enrolment in secondary education	1	1.00	0.94	80%	76%	1.05
Enrolment in tertiary education	1	1.00	0.86	33%	12%	2.72
Health and Survival	105	0.961	0.973			
Sex ratio at birth (female/male)	1	0.94	0.94	49%	51%	0.96
Healthy life expectancy (years).....	109	1.00	1.04	67.1	67.2	1.00
Political Empowerment	114	0.005	0.138			
Women in parliament.....	110	0.02	0.22	2%	99%	0.02
Women in ministerial positions.....	109	0.00	0.21	0%	100%	0.00
Years with female head of state (last 50).....	41	0.00	0.04	0	50	0.00

Additional Data

Maternity and Childbearing

Births attended by skilled health staff (%).....	—
Accessibility of government-provided childcare*	5.57
Contraceptive prevalence, married women (%).....	50
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births).....	6
Length of paid maternity leave	70 days
Maternity leave benefits (% wages paid).....	100
Maternal mortality rate (per 100,000 live births).....	5

Education and Training

Female teachers, primary education (%).....	86
Female teachers, secondary education (%)	54
Female teachers, tertiary education (%)	23

Employment and Earnings

Female adult unemployment rate (%).....	2
Women in non-agricultural paid labour (%).....	24
Enterprise-level policies to combat and prevent sexual harassment*	2.85
Ability of women to rise to enterprise leadership*	4.81

Basic Rights and Social Institutions**

Paternal versus maternal authority	0.80
Female genital mutilation.....	0.00
Polygamy	1.00
Legislation punishing acts of violence against women	0.50

*survey data, responses on a 1-to-7 scale (1 = worst score, 7 = best score)

**data on a 0-to-1 scale (1 = worst score, 0 = best score)