

GLOBAL KNOWLEDGE INDEX (GKI) 2021

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The Global Knowledge Index (GKI) serves as a tool to monitor the knowledge status of countries in key areas including education, innovation and information and communications technology (ICT).

Covering **154 countries and 232 indicators**, the 2021 GKI is helping to guide policymakers, researchers, civil society, and the private sector as they nurture knowledge-based societies and bridge knowledge gaps. In particular, the GKI shows how emerging trends in technology, learning and innovation are radically reshaping our societies. Countries must now leverage their knowledge infrastructure to open-up new opportunities in the form of jobs and livelihoods, driving forward sustainable development. The GKI can also feed into key measurements such as UNDP's Human Development Index.

the Global Knowledge Index consists of **seven** sub-indices:

• Pre-university education;

• Technical and vocational education and training;

• Higher education;

• Research, development and innovation (RDI);

Information and communications technology (ICT);Economy;

• Enabling environment

Each of which was constructed in accordance with standard international methodologies for the design of composite indicators.

The structure of the Index features a hierarchy comprising sectoral indices (referred to as sub-indices), pillars, sub-pillars and variables. Each of the six sub-indices has a weight of 15%, except for enabling environment, which is accorded a weight of 10%.

GKI STRUCTURE



KUWAIT COUNTRY PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

Kuwait is a strong performer in terms of its knowledge infrastructure. It ranks ranks 48th out of 154 countries in the Global Knowledge Index 2021 and 45th out of the 61 countries with very high human development.



Sectoral Indices





Economy

GKI Pillars

63.7 • 69.5 **Knowledge Capital Education Enabling** 57.8 6 67.6 Environment 44.6 59.1 **TVET Components TVET Labour Market** 57.8 76.2 Inputs 38.9 • 43.1 50.5 💿 51.6 Learning Environment Outputs 30.5 • 48.7 16.8 • • 29.9 Intputs 30.6 •• 35 Outputs 22.4 - 29.5 Impact 47.2 49.2 Infrastructure Access 36.8 • • 65.6 Usage 46 • 73.2 **Economic Competitiveness** 36.8 - 62.4 **Economic Openness 56.7 58.9** Financing & Domestic Value Added 50 • 69.2 Governance 48.2 • 48.3 Socio-Economic 49.4 •• 55.6 **Health & Environment** 0 25 50 75 100

Kuwait Very High Human Development World Average

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Kuwait's Areas of Strength Include

Kuwait's Areas of Improvement Include



Pupil-trained teacher ratio in primary education



Fixed broadband Internet traffic per subscription



GERD financed from abroad (%)



Fixed broadband basket (% GNI per capita)



Mobile broadband Internet traffic per subscription ICT PCT patent applications (per 100 billion GDP)



Industry and services value added (% GDP)

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Female-tomale ratio in parliament

Renewable energy consumption (%)

Ecological footprint per capita