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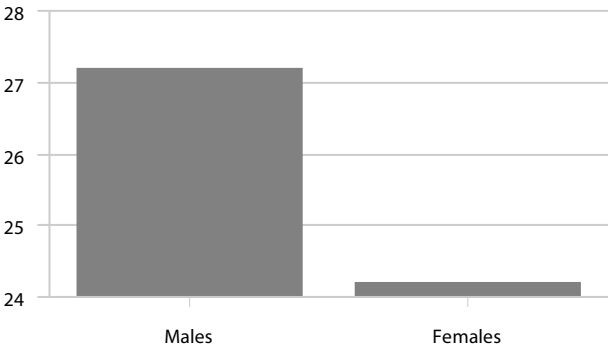
# Marriage and Divorce

Marriages are measured as the number of registered marriage contracts. According to Emirate of Abu Dhabi - Judicial Department statistics there were 5,892 new marriage contracts registered in 2016 and 3,327 of these marriages the wife was an Emirati citizen.

The median age at marriage for Abu Dhabi Emirate in 2016 was 28.7 years for males and 25.6 years for females. For citizens of Abu Dhabi Emirate the median age at first marriage was 28.7 years for males and 25.6 years for females.

Divorces are measured as the number of marriage dissolutions granted by Emirate of Abu Dhabi - Judicial Department. The number of divorces during 2016 was 1,922 of which 978 divorces involved female Emirati citizens.

**Figure 3.2.4 Median Age at Marriage for Citizens by Gender, 2016**



Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

### 3.2.20 Registered Marriages by Region, Citizenship and Gender

(Marriage Contracts)

Region, Citizenship and Gender	2010	2014	2015	2016
<b>Abu Dhabi Emirate</b>	<b>5,848</b>	<b>6,442</b>	<b>6,037</b>	<b>5,892</b>
<b>Citizens</b>				
Males	3,642	3,910	3,789	3,698
Females	3,242	3,549	3,403	3,327
<b>Non-Citizens</b>				
Males	2,206	2,532	2,248	2,194
Females	2,606	2,893	2,634	2,565
<b>Abu Dhabi Region</b>	<b>3,347</b>	<b>3,671</b>	<b>3,557</b>	<b>3,410</b>
<b>Citizens</b>				
Males	1,818	1,949	1,973	1,906
Females	1,603	1,751	1,712	1,668
<b>Non-Citizens</b>				
Males	1,529	1,722	1,584	1,504
Females	1,744	1,920	1,845	1,742
<b>Al Ain Region</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>2,498</b>	<b>2,273</b>	<b>2,299</b>
<b>Citizens</b>				
Males	1,614	1,736	1,631	1,653
Females	1,441	1,592	1,525	1,519
<b>Non-Citizens</b>				
Males	636	762	642	646
Females	809	906	748	780
<b>Al Dhafra Region</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>183</b>
<b>Citizens</b>				
Males	210	225	185	139
Females	198	206	166	140
<b>Non-Citizens</b>				
Males	41	48	22	44
Females	53	67	41	43

Source: Emirate of Abu Dhabi - Judicial Department

Based on Judicial department - Abu Dhabi preliminary data, May 2017

### 3.2.21 Median Age at Marriage by Citizenship, Gender and Region, 2016

(Years)

Citizenship and Gender	Abu Dhabi Region	Al Ain Region	Al Dhafra Region	Abu Dhabi Emirate
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>28.0</b>	<b>26.2</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>27.1</b>
Males	29.6	27.6	27.1	28.7
Females	26.3	24.5	23.8	25.6
<b>Citizens</b>				
Males	28.0	26.4	26.4	27.2
Females	24.7	23.6	23.9	24.2
<b>Non-Citizens</b>				
Males	31.2	30.7	30.2	31.0
Females	27.7	26.4	23.8	27.2

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Based on Judicial department - Abu Dhabi preliminary data, May 2017

### 3.2.22 Crude Marriage Rate by Citizenship, Gender and Region, 2016

(Per 1000 Population)

Citizenship and Gender	Abu Dhabi Region	Al Ain Region	Al Dhafra Region	Abu Dhabi Emirate
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>2.0</b>
Male Citizens	12.9	14.3	7.2	13.1
Female Citizens	11.4	13.7	11.6	12.4
Male Non-Citizens	1.5	1.9	0.2	1.4
Female Non-Citizens	3.2	3.8	1.1	3.3

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Based on Judicial department - Abu Dhabi preliminary data, May 2017

### 3.2.23 General Marriage Rates by Citizenship, Gender and Region, 2016

(Per 1000 Population 15 Years and older)

Citizenship and Gender	Abu Dhabi Region	Al Ain Region	Al Dhafra Region	Abu Dhabi Emirate
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>2.4</b>
Male Citizens	21.5	23.4	10.0	21.4
Female Citizens	18.3	22.4	19.1	20.0
Male Non-Citizens	1.7	2.2	0.2	1.5
Female Non-Citizens	3.9	4.7	1.5	4.0

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Based on Judicial department - Abu Dhabi preliminary data, May 2017

### 3.2.24 Refined Marriage Rates by Citizenship, Gender and Region, 2016

(Per 1000 unmarried Population 15 Years and older)

Citizenship and Gender	Abu Dhabi Region	Al Ain Region	Al Dhafra Region	Abu Dhabi Emirate
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>7.1</b>
Male Citizens	55.7	60.3	33.0	56.2
Female Citizens	44.3	49.0	49.4	46.6
Male Non-Citizens	5.2	6.5	0.6	4.7
Female Non-Citizens	11.3	13.6	4.3	11.6

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Based on Judicial department - Abu Dhabi preliminary data, May 2017

### 3.2.25 Registered Divorces by Region, Citizenship and Gender

(Registered Divorces)

Region, Citizenship and Gender	2010	2014	2015	2016
<b>Abu Dhabi Emirate</b>	<b>1,769</b>	<b>1,872</b>	<b>1,813</b>	<b>1,922</b>
<b>Citizens</b>				
Males	1,091	1,201	1,090	1,200
Females	820	900	865	978
<b>Non-Citizens</b>				
Males	678	671	723	722
Females	949	972	948	944
<b>Abu Dhabi Region</b>	<b>1,201</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>1,205</b>	<b>1,276</b>
<b>Citizens</b>				
Males	707	744	679	733
Females	529	548	534	603
<b>Non-Citizens</b>				
Males	494	484	526	543
Females	672	680	671	673
<b>Al Ain Region</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>579</b>
<b>Citizens</b>				
Males	346	414	359	413
Females	256	317	291	331
<b>Non-Citizens</b>				
Males	166	164	186	166
Females	256	261	254	248
<b>Al Dhafra Region</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Citizens</b>				
Males	38	43	52	54
Females	35	35	39	44
<b>Non-Citizens</b>				
Males	18	23	11	13
Females	21	31	24	23

Source: Emirate of Abu Dhabi - Judicial Department

Based on Judicial department - Abu Dhabi preliminary data, May 2017

### 3.2.26 Crude Divorce Rate by Citizenship, Gender and Region, 2016

(Per 1000 Population)

Citizenship and Gender	Abu Dhabi Region	Al Ain Region	Al Dhafra Region	Abu Dhabi Emirate
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>
Male Citizens	5.0	3.6	2.8	4.2
Female Citizens	4.1	3.0	3.7	3.6
Male Non-Citizens	0.6	0.5	0.1	0.5
Female Non-Citizens	1.2	1.2	0.6	1.2

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Based on Judicial department - Abu Dhabi preliminary data, May 2017

### 3.2.27 General Divorce Rate by Citizenship, Gender and Region, 2016

(Per 1000 Population 15 Years and older)

Citizenship and Gender	Abu Dhabi Region	Al Ain Region	Al Dhafra Region	Abu Dhabi Emirate
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>
Male Citizens	8.3	5.8	3.9	6.9
Female Citizens	6.6	4.9	6.0	5.9
Male Non-Citizens	0.6	0.6	0.1	0.5
Female Non-Citizens	1.5	1.5	0.8	1.5

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Based on Judicial department - Abu Dhabi preliminary data, May 2017

### 3.2.28 Refined Divorce Rate by Citizenship, Gender and Region, 2016

(Per 1000 married Population 15 Years and older)

Citizenship and Gender	Abu Dhabi Region	Al Ain Region	Al Dhafra Region	Abu Dhabi Emirate
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>1.3</b>
Male Citizens	13.7	9.7	5.6	12.5
Female Citizens	11.6	9.0	9.8	11.0
Male Non-Citizens	0.9	0.8	0.1	0.1
Female Non-Citizens	2.4	2.6	1.2	2.5

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Based on Judicial department - Abu Dhabi preliminary data, May 2017