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|  |  | **GCC Passport-holders** | | | | | |
| **HDI rank** | **Destination** | **Bahrain** | **Kuwait** | **Oman** | **Qatar** | **Saudi Arabia** | **United Arab Emirates** |
| **1** | **Norway** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **2** | **Switzerland** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **3** | **Australia** | eVisa | eVisa | eVisa | eVisa | eVisa | eVisa (fast track) |
| **4** | **Ireland** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free |
| **5** | **Germany** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **6** | **Iceland** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **7** | **Hong Kong** | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) |
| **7** | **Sweden** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **9** | **Singapore** | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa required | Visa-free (30 days) |
| **10** | **Netherlands** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **11** | **Denmark** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **12** | **Canada** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | eTA/180 days |
| **13** | **United States** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required |
| **14** | **United Kingdom** | Visa required | EVW/180 days | EVW | EVW/180 days | Visa required | EVW |
| **15** | **Finland** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **16** | **New Zealand** | Visa-free (90 days) | Visa-free (90 days) | Visa-free (90 days) | Visa-free (90 days) | Visa-free (90 days) | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **17** | **Belgium** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **17** | **Liechtenstein** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **19** | **Japan** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa waiver registration/  30 days |
| **20** | **Austria** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **21** | **Luxembourg** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free (90 days) |
| **22** | **Israel** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required |
| **22** | **South Korea** | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free (30 days) | Visa-free  (90 days) |
| **24** | **France** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free  (90 days) |
| **25** | **Slovenia** | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa required | Visa-free  (90 days) |

Table 1 UAE vs GCC access to Developed World

**Table 1: *GCC Passport-holders Access to the “Developed” World* [[1]](#footnote-1)**

1. Sources:

   Visa access source Arton Captial: <https://www.passportindex.org>

   UNDP’s HDI 2018 rankings: <http://hdr.undp.org/en/2018-update>

   In several cases two countries share the same ranking because they have the exact same HDI score. Sweden and Hong Kong share the 7th place because they both have a score of 0.933, Belgium and Liechtenstein are tied at the 17th place because both have a score of 0.916, and Israel and South Korea share the 22nd place with a score of .903. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)