

Crown Prince Abdullah First Deputy Prime Minister of Saudi Arabia

Prince Abdullah was born in Riyadh in 1924. He received his formal education at the Royal Court and spent most of his formative years with the Bedouins of his mother's al-Shammar tribe.

Prince Abdullah was appointed head of Saudi Arabia's National Guard in 1963, a position he continues to hold to this day. In 1975 he was named Second Deputy Prime Minister. He became First Deputy Prime Minister and Crown Prince in 1982.

Since 1996, Crown Prince Abdullah has taken on a more active role in governing the country. In 1999, he created the Supreme Economic Council.

Crown Prince Abdullah is married.