

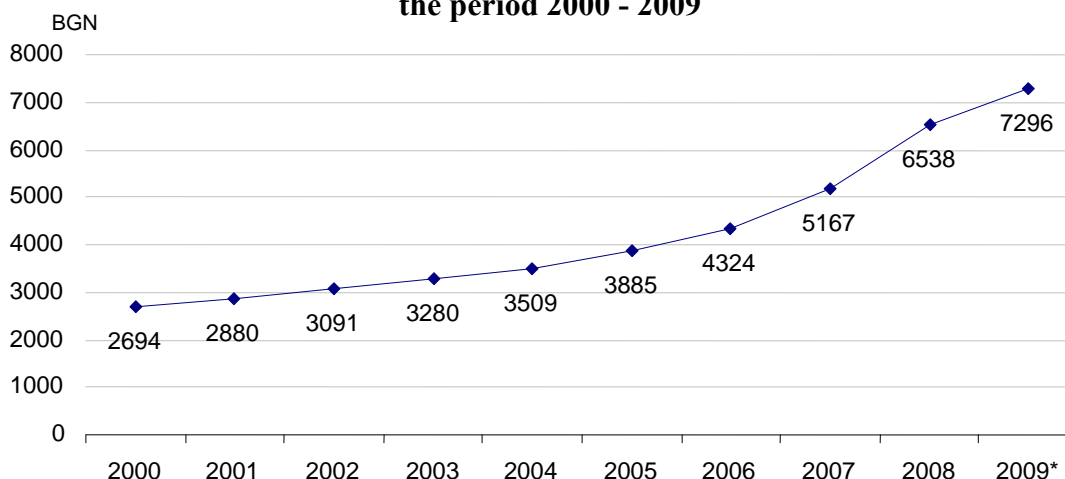


## EMPLOYEES UNDER LABOUR CONTRACT AND AVERAGE WAGES AND SALARIES IN 2009

According to the preliminary data of National Statistical Institute (NSI) in 2009 the number of employees under labour contract decreased by 2.5% as compared to 2008 and reached 2.41 millions. The highest decrease in employees under labour contract was recorded in economic activities: ‘Mining and quarrying’ - 11.7%, ‘Construction’ - 11.6% and ‘Manufacturing’ - 11.0%. Increase in number of employees under labour contract was registered in: ‘Other service activities’ - 11.4%, ‘Accommodation and food service activities’ - 7.1% and ‘Professional, scientific and technical activities’ - 5.6%.

In 2009 the average annual wages and salaries of the employees under labour contract was 7 296 BGN. As compared to 2008 the increase in nominal terms was 11.6%.

**Figure 1. Average annual wages and salaries for the period 2000 - 2009**



The economic activities with the highest wages and salaries in 2009 were:

- ‘Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply’ - 15 857 BGN;
- ‘Information and communication’ - 15 671 BGN;
- ‘Financial and insurance activities’ - 15 363 BGN.

The lowest wages and salaries were recorded in:

- ‘Accommodation and food service activities’ - 4 420 BGN;
- ‘Administrative and support service activities’ - 4 631 BGN;
- ‘Other service activities’ - 5 154 BGN.



Table 1

**NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES UNDER LABOUR CONTRACT AND AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGES AND SALARIES BY ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN 2008 AND 2009**

Economic activities	2008		2009*	
	Employees (average annual number)	Wages and salaries - BGN	Employees (average annual number)	Wages and salaries - BGN
<b>Total</b>	<b>2466852</b>	<b>6538</b>	<b>2405537</b>	<b>7296</b>
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	65580	4721	67476	5272
Mining and quarrying	29611	10153	26140	11252
Manufacturing	608206	5716	541538	6126
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	34706	13061	33777	15857
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	34034	6693	32633	7275
Construction	241400	5531	213358	6763
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	396932	5362	412563	6077
Transportation and storage	145744	7304	143212	7750
Accommodation and food service activities	108878	3963	116592	4420
Information and communication	59943	13984	63111	15671
Financial and insurance activities	53211	14582	55903	15363
Real estate activities	24800	6875	25913	7624
Professional, scientific and technical activities	70570	9157	74491	10279
Administrative and support service activities	104124	4000	106563	4631
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	129422	9130	128632	9608
Education	171363	6962	165692	7834
Human health and social work activities	126402	6862	130807	7755
Arts, entertainment and recreation	31586	5504	33323	6333
Other service activities	30340	4606	33813	5154

\*Preliminary data.