



EMPLOYEES UNDER LABOUR CONTRACT AND GROSS AVERAGE WAGES AND SALARIES, THIRD QUARTER OF 2014

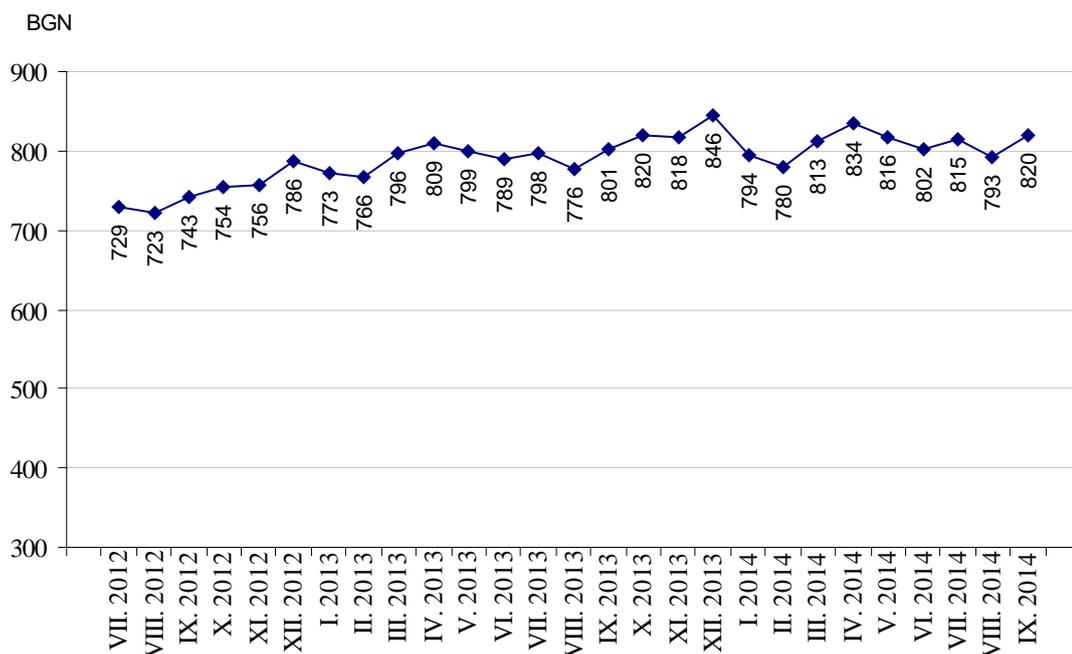
According to the preliminary data of the National Statistical Institute (NSI) at the end of September 2014 the **number of employees under labour contract** has decreased by 49.7 thousand or 2.2% as compared to the end of June 2014 and reached 2.25 million. The highest decrease was observed in economic activities: ‘Accommodation and food service activities’ - 19.5%, ‘Arts, entertainment and recreation’ - 13.6% and ‘Other service activities’ - 5.1%. Increase of employees was recorded in ‘Education’ - 2.2%.

In the structure of employees by economic activities the biggest relative share of employees was in ‘Manufacturing’ - 21.9% and ‘Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles’ - 17.1%.

At the end of September 2014 as compared to September 2013 the number of employees under labour contract has declined by 14.2 thousand or 0.6%. The highest decrease in absolute figures was observed in economic activities ‘Administrative and support service activities’ - 17.4 thousand, ‘Transportation and storage’ - 3.7 thousand and ‘Construction’ - 2.5 thousand. In percentages the highest decrease was in ‘Administrative and support service activities’ - 13.3%, ‘Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities’ - by 5.3% and ‘Other service activities’ by 4.4%. The highest increase at the end of September 2014 as compared to September 2013 was registered in economic activity ‘Manufacturing’ - by 5.5 thousand and in percentages - in ‘Professional, scientific and technical activities’ - by 3.9%.

The average monthly wages and salaries of the employees under labour contract in July was 815 BGN, in August - 793 BGN and in September 2014 - 820 BGN.

Figure 1. Average wages and salaries by months

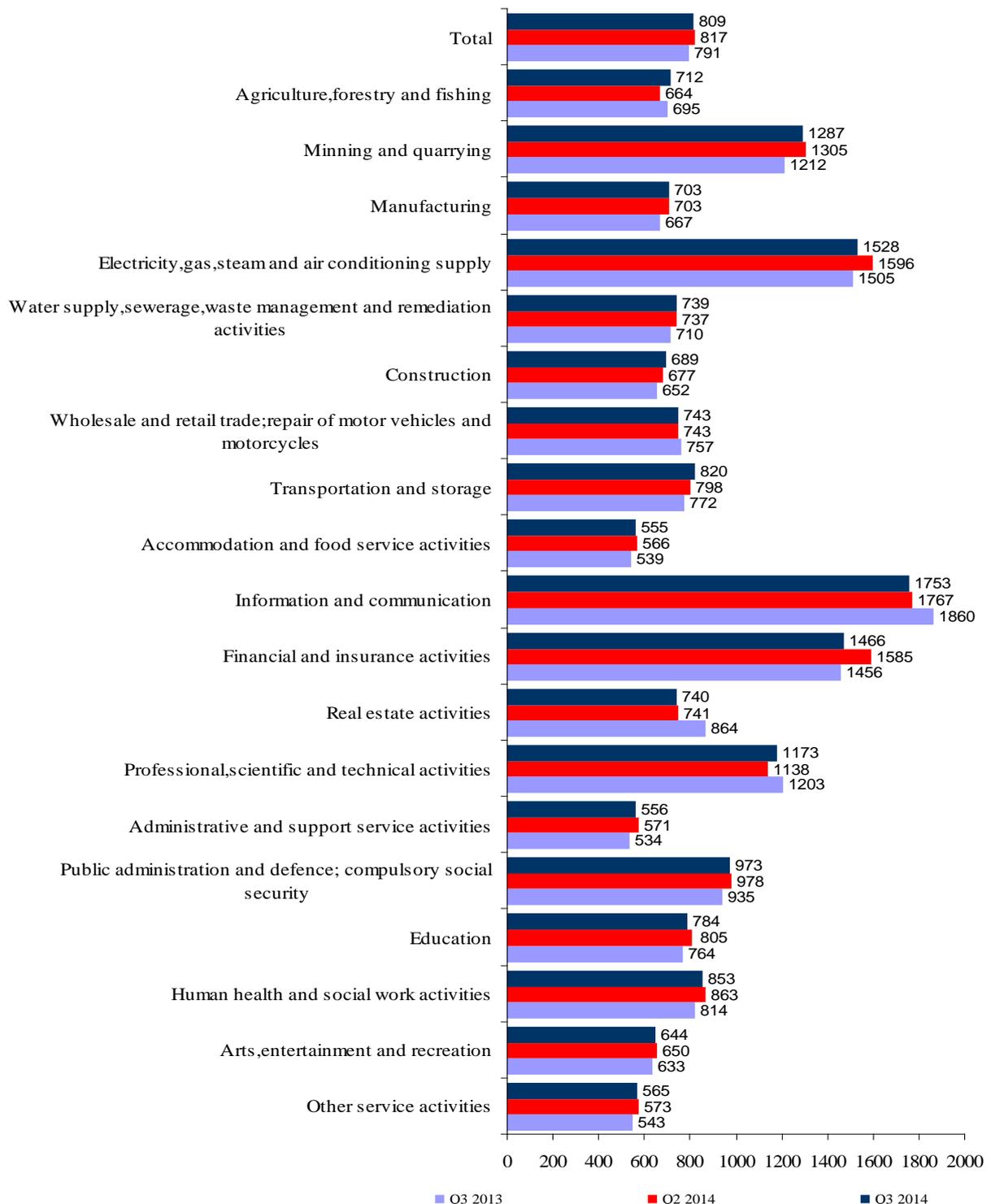




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In the third quarter of 2014 in comparison with the second quarter of 2014 the average monthly wages and salaries have decreased by 1.0% getting 809 BGN. The highest decrease in wages and salaries was reported in 'Financial and insurance activities' - 7.5% and 'Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply' - 4.3%.

Figure 2. Average monthly wages and salaries of the employees under labour contract by economic activities (BGN)





Compared to the third quarter of 2013 the average monthly wages and salaries in the third quarter of 2014 have risen by 2.3%. The highest growth rates were recorded in economic activities: ‘Mining and quarrying’ and ‘Transportation and storage’ - by 6.2%, and ‘Construction’ - 5.7%. The biggest drop for this period was in economic activity ‘Real estate activities’ - 14.4%.

The economic activities with the highest wages and salaries in the third quarter of 2014 were:

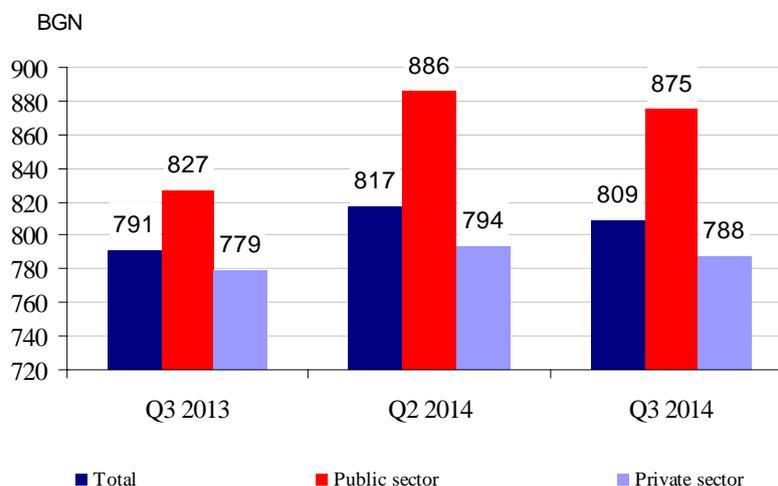
- ‘Information and communication’ - 1 753 BGN
- ‘Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply’ - 1 528 BGN
- ‘Financial and insurance activities’ - 1 466 BGN.

The lowest wages and salaries were recorded in:

- ‘Accommodation and food service activities’ - 555 BGN
- ‘Administrative and support service activities’ - 556 BGN
- ‘Other services activities’ - 565 BGN.

In comparison with a year earlier the average monthly wages and salaries in public sector have grown by 5.8%, while in private sector - by 1.2%.

Figure 3. Average monthly wages and salaries by kind of ownership





Methodological notes

The source of information is the Quarterly Survey on employees, hours worked, wages and salaries, and other expenditures paid by the employer. It is sample survey which main purpose is to make a study of the current state and dynamics of some main aspects of labour market. The sample used for the survey is a stratified random sample without replacement. Stratification criteria used include: economic activity (NACE rev.2), size of the enterprise (according to the number of employees) and regional breakdown (28 districts, NUTS3).

More methodological information on the quarterly survey and data could be found on the NSI official web site:

http://www.nsi.bg/sites/default/files/files/metadata/Labour_Method_1.1_EN.pdf

<http://www.nsi.bg/en/content/6398/short-term-statistics>



Annex

Table 1

Employees under labour contract at the end of the month by economic activities in 2014¹

(Number)

Economic activities	2014		
	July	August	September
Total	2317653	2298664	2250549
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	75577	74764	73959
Mining and quarrying	24232	24232	24122
Manufacturing	494995	494676	493092
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	31075	30999	30860
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	35218	35157	34896
Construction	127254	127324	127495
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	395039	392862	385809
Transportation and storage	133376	132454	131088
Accommodation and food service activities	159686	152325	120647
Information and communication	69970	70079	69888
Financial and insurance activities	56539	56446	56331
Real estate activities	23724	23505	22972
Professional, scientific and technical activities	75118	74811	74681
Administrative and support service activities	121952	118607	113530
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	115880	115428	115135
Education	162216	161145	169086
Human health and social work activities	139036	138840	138518
Arts, entertainment and recreation	40547	39341	33988
Other service activities	36219	35669	34452

¹ Preliminary data.



Table 2

Average monthly wages and salaries of the employees under labour contract by economic activities in 2014

(BGN)

Economic activities	2014		
	July	August	September
Total	815	793	820
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	733	672	732
Mining and quarrying	1285	1161	1416
Manufacturing	705	696	709
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	1505	1491	1586
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	731	735	751
Construction	690	684	693
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	740	742	748
Transportation and storage	809	804	847
Accommodation and food service activities	546	546	576
Information and communication	1756	1756	1748
Financial and insurance activities	1535	1432	1430
Real estate activities	742	736	741
Professional, scientific and technical activities	1171	1156	1192
Administrative and support service activities	548	549	572
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	1128	896	894
Education	762	752	835
Human health and social work activities	858	842	858
Arts, entertainment and recreation	648	646	636
Other service activities	567	558	569

¹ Preliminary data.