



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

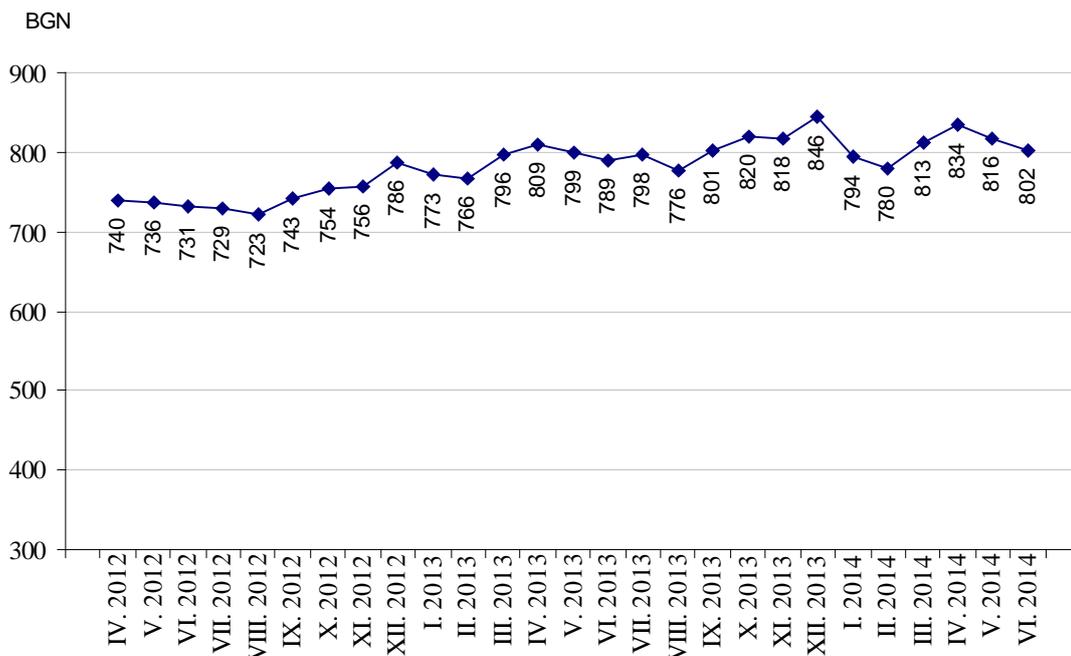
According to the preliminary data of the National Statistical Institute (NSI) at the end of June 2014 the **number of employees** under labour contract has increased by 84.2 thousand or 3.8% as compared to the end of March 2014 and reached 2.30 million. The highest increase was observed in seasonal economic activities: “Accommodation and food service activities” - 56.5%, “Arts, entertainment and recreation” - 19.3% and “Agriculture, forestry and fishing” - 7.4%. The highest decrease of employees was recorded in “Education” - 2.4%.

In the structure of employees by economic activities the biggest relative share of employees was in “Manufacturing” - 21.4% and “Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles” - 16.9%.

At the end of June 2014 as compared to June 2013 the number of employees under labour contract has declined by 5.2 thousand or 0.2%. The highest decrease in absolute figures was observed in economic activities “Administrative and support service activities” - 15.1 thousand, “Construction” - 3.5 thousand and “Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities” - 2.0 thousand. In percentages the highest decrease was in “Administrative and support service activities” - 11.2% and “Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities” - by 5.3%.

The **average monthly wages and salaries** of the employees under labour contract in April was 834 BGN, in May - 816 BGN and in June 2014 - 802 BGN.

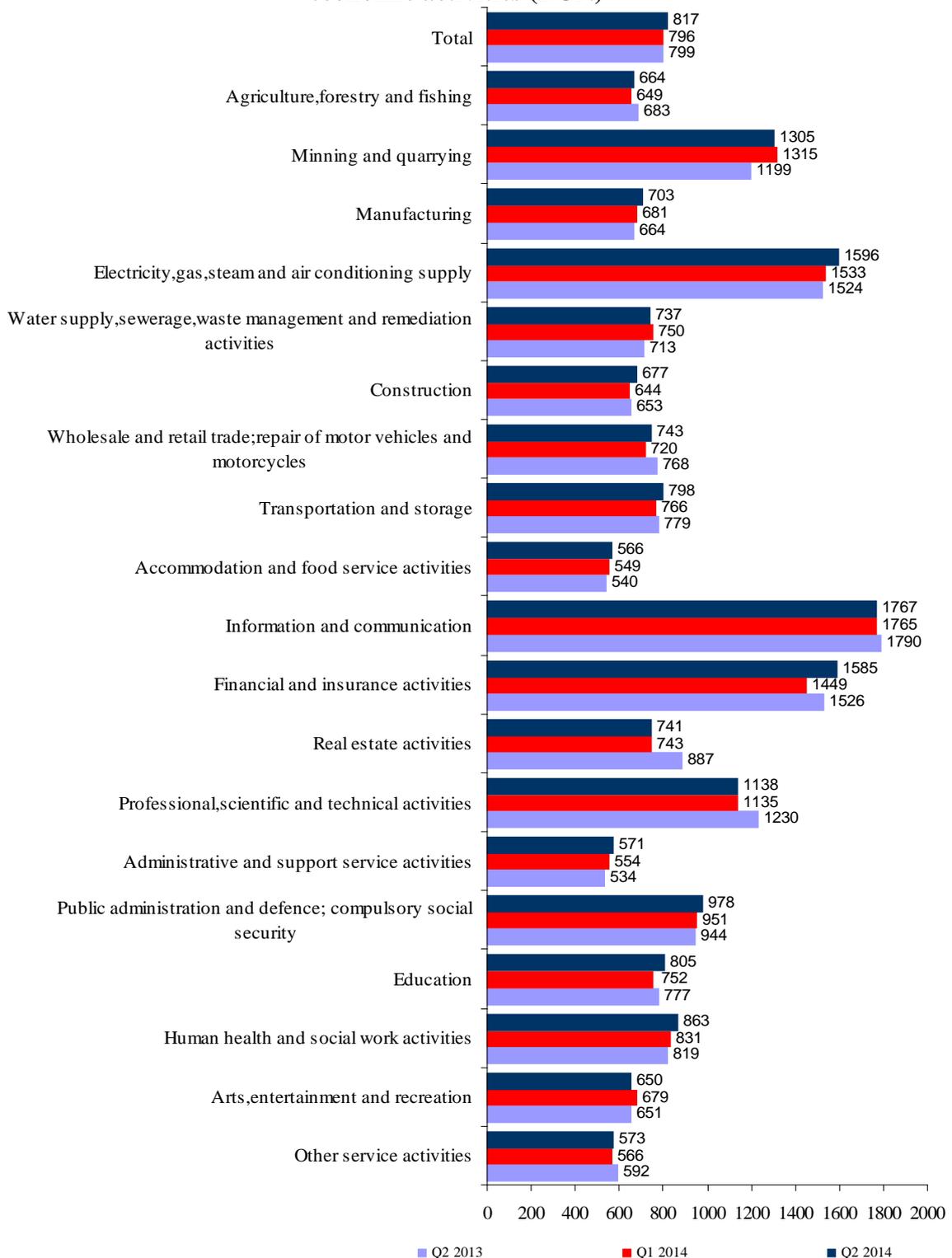
Figure 1. Average wages and salaries by months





In the second quarter of 2014 in comparison with the first quarter of 2014 the average monthly wages and salaries have increased by 2.6% getting 817 BGN. The highest increase in wages and salaries was reported in “Financial and insurance activities” - 9.4%, “Education” - 7.0% and “Construction” - 5.1%.

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





Compared to the second quarter of 2013 the average monthly wages and salaries in the second quarter of 2014 have risen by 2.3%. The highest growth rates were recorded in economic activities: “Mining and quarrying” - 8.8%, “Administrative and support service activities” - 6.9% and “Human health and social work activities” - 5.4%.

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

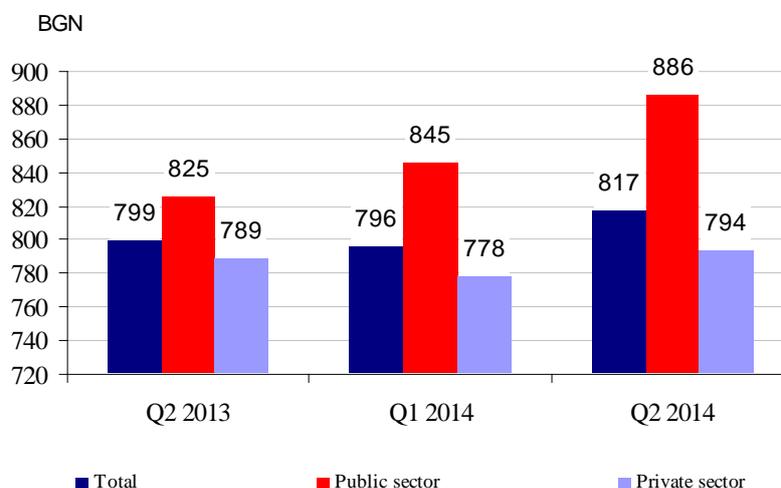
- “Information and communication” - 1 767 BGN
- “Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply” - 1 596 BGN
- “Financial and insurance activities” - 1 585 BGN.

The lowest wages and salaries were recorded in:

- “Accommodation and food service activities” - 566 BGN
- “Administrative and support service activities” - 571 BGN
- “Other services activities” - 573 BGN.

In comparison with a year earlier the average monthly wages and salaries in public sector have grown by 7.4%, while in private sector - by 0.6%.

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/otrasalen.php?otr=51>.



Annex

Table 1

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

| Economic activities | 2014 | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | April | May | June |
| Total | 2233659 | 2266137 | 2300287 |
| Agriculture, forestry and fishing | 72575 | 74345 | 75149 |
| Mining and quarrying | 23847 | 24165 | 24215 |
| Manufacturing | 489884 | 489675 | 492783 |
| Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply | 30806 | 30907 | 31091 |
| Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities | 35173 | 35300 | 35298 |
| Construction | 128909 | 127405 | 127437 |
| Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles | 384435 | 386957 | 389141 |
| Transportation and storage | 132640 | 133544 | 134395 |
| Accommodation and food service activities | 108911 | 129434 | 149854 |
| Information and communication | 69597 | 69566 | 69856 |
| Financial and insurance activities | 56059 | 56092 | 56258 |
| Real estate activities | 22851 | 23401 | 23841 |
| Professional, scientific and technical activities | 74352 | 74374 | 74715 |
| Administrative and support service activities | 110212 | 115641 | 118942 |
| Public administration and defence; compulsory social security | 115990 | 116259 | 117222 |
| Education | 169224 | 168251 | 165447 |
| Human health and social work activities | 138274 | 137933 | 138990 |
| Arts, entertainment and recreation | 35177 | 37141 | 39336 |
| Other service activities | 34743 | 35747 | 36317 |

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 | | |
|--|------------|------------|------------|
| | April | May | June |
| Total | 834 | 816 | 802 |
| Agriculture, forestry and fishing | 668 | 651 | 674 |
| Mining and quarrying | 1263 | 1192 | 1459 |
| Manufacturing | 707 | 702 | 701 |
| Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply | 1671 | 1588 | 1529 |
| Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities | 744 | 740 | 727 |
| Construction | 699 | 671 | 661 |
| Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles | 745 | 745 | 739 |
| Transportation and storage | 799 | 810 | 785 |
| Accommodation and food service activities | 578 | 573 | 553 |
| Information and communication | 1780 | 1743 | 1776 |
| Financial and insurance activities | 1588 | 1634 | 1532 |
| Real estate activities | 759 | 738 | 726 |
| Professional, scientific and technical activities | 1132 | 1118 | 1164 |
| Administrative and support service activities | 577 | 570 | 566 |
| Public administration and defence; compulsory social security | 1134 | 908 | 895 |
| Education | 789 | 852 | 775 |
| Human health and social work activities | 887 | 856 | 846 |
| Arts, entertainment and recreation | 675 | 654 | 624 |
| Other service activities | 585 | 574 | 561 |

¹ Preliminary data.