



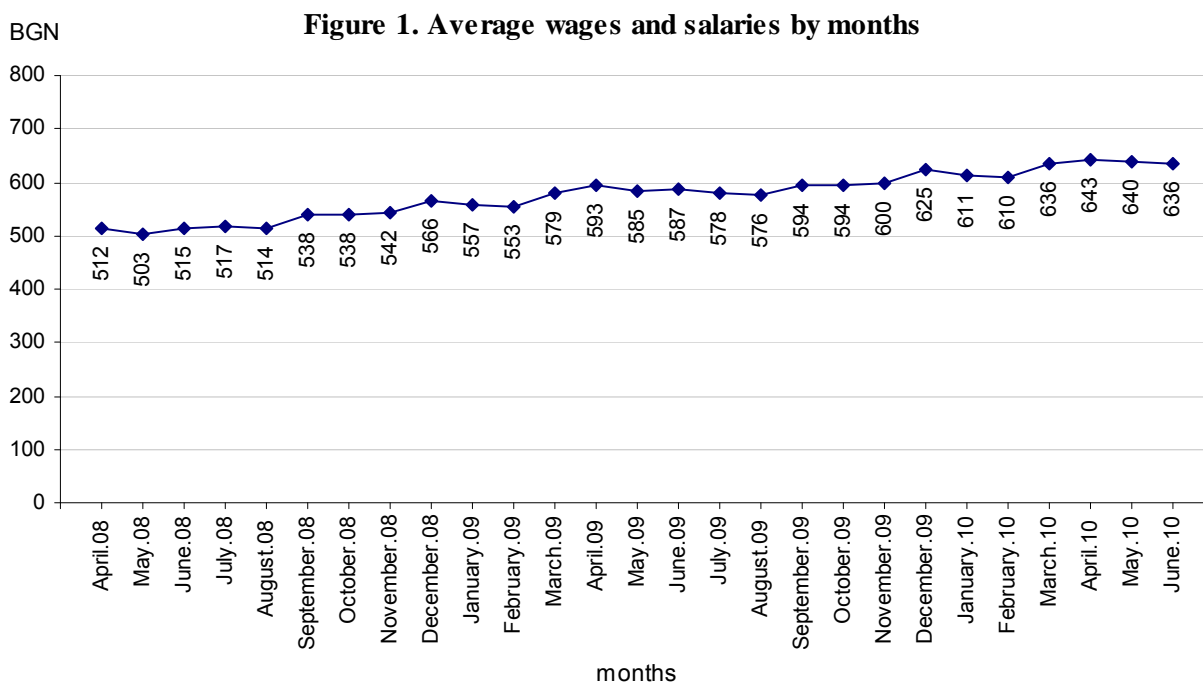
## EMPLOYEES UNDER LABOUR CONTRACT AND AVERAGE WAGES AND SALARIES, SECOND QUARTER OF 2010

According to the preliminary data of the National Statistical Institute (NSI) at the end of June 2010 the number of employees under labour contract increased by 38 thous. or 1.7% as compared to the end of March 2010 and reached 2.23 millions. The increase of employees was mainly in the seasonal economic activities as “Accommodation and food service activities” - 36.8% and “Agriculture, forestry and fishing” - 13.2%. The highest decrease in employees under labour contract was recorded in economic activities “Administrative and support service activities”- 2.3% and “Education” – 2.0%.

In the structure of employees by economic activities the biggest relative share of employees was in “Manufacturing” - 22.9% and “Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles” - 18.1%, where the number of employees at the end of June 2010 compared to March 2010 increased by 0.3 and 0.2% respectively.

At the end of June 2010 as compared to June 2009 the number of employees under labour contract was declined by 174 th. or 7.2%. The highest decrease in absolute figures was observed in economic activities “Manufacturing” - 43 thous., “Construction”- 41 thous. and “Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles” - 32 thousands. In percentages the highest decrease was in “Construction” - 21.8% and “Professional, scientific and technical activities” - 12.1%.

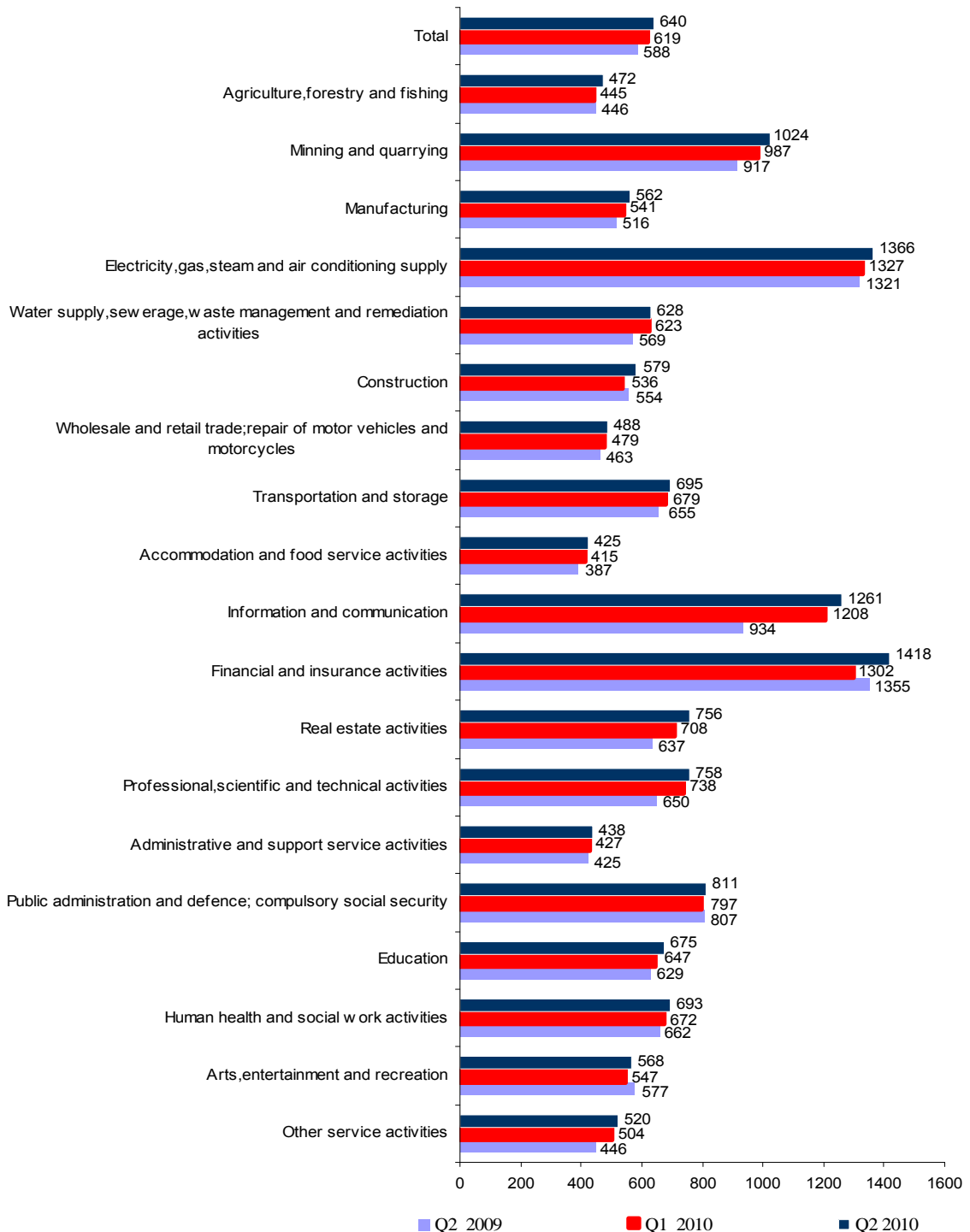
The average monthly wages and salaries of the employees under labour contract in April, May and June 2010 was 643, 640, and 636 levs respectively.





In the second quarter of 2010 in comparison with the first quarter of 2010 the average monthly wages and salaries increased by 3.4% getting 640 levs. The highest increase in wages and salaries was reported in “Financial and insurance activities” - 8.9%, “Construction” - 8.0% and “Real estate activities” - 6.8%.

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





The lowest increase in average monthly wages and salaries in second quarter of 2010 as compared to the first quarter of 2010 was observed in economic activities: “Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities” - 0.8% and “Public administration and defence; compulsory social security” - 1.8%.

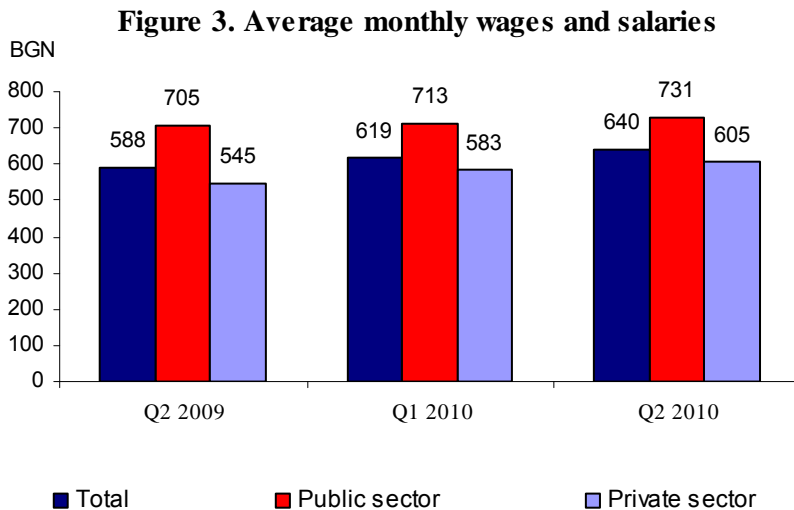
Compared to the second quarter of 2009 the average monthly wages and salaries in the second quarter of 2010 rose by 8.8%. The highest growth rates were recorded in economic activities: “Information and communication” - 35.0% and “Real estate activities” - 21.2%. The economic activities with the highest wages and salaries in the second quarter of 2010 were:

- “Financial and insurance activities” - 1 418 levs
- “Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply” - 1 366 levs
- “Information and communication” - 1 261 levs

The lowest wages and salaries were recorded in:

- “Accommodation and food service activities” - 425 levs
- “Administrative and support service activities” - 438 levs
- “Agriculture, forestry and fishing” - 472 levs.

In comparison with a year earlier the average monthly wages and salaries in public sector grew by 3.7%, while in private sector - by 11.0%.





### **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 NSI official web page – <http://www.nsi.bg/otrasalen.php?otr=51> .



**Table 1**

Employees under labour contract at the end of the month by economic activities in 2010\*

Economic activity	April	May	(Numbers) June
<b>Total</b>	<b>2198593</b>	<b>2210739</b>	<b>2228116</b>
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	62332	63248	64338
Mining and quarrying	26054	25917	25850
Manufacturing	508682	507989	509912
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	32845	32762	32575
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	32138	32093	32190
Construction	148529	148106	147859
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	401665	401040	404057
Transportation and storage	128873	129139	129524
Accommodation and food service activities	90118	103772	116266
Information and communication	56734	56540	55962
Financial and insurance activities	52795	52894	53148
Real estate activities	18515	18692	19090
Professional, scientific and technical activities	64502	63878	63714
Administrative and support service activities	97700	97777	98511
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	121229	121119	120799
Education	169674	168599	165902
Human health and social work activities	128766	128509	128395
Arts, entertainment and recreation	29051	29916	30910
Other service activities	28391	28749	29114

\*Preliminary data



**Table 2**

Average monthly wages and salaries of the employees under labour contract by economic activities in 2010\*

Economic activity	April	May	(BGN) June
<b>Total</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>636</b>
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	474	456	485
Mining and quarrying	964	985	1123
Manufacturing	557	561	569
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	1393	1355	1351
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	629	626	628
Construction	579	585	573
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	491	489	485
Transportation and storage	696	700	690
Accommodation and food service activities	429	429	418
Information and communication	1274	1243	1267
Financial and insurance activities	1557	1274	1422
Real estate activities	731	728	809
Professional, scientific and technical activities	775	743	755
Administrative and support service activities	451	434	428
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	791	850	792
Education	653	716	655
Human health and social work activities	704	693	681
Arts, entertainment and recreation	575	564	565
Other service activities	513	525	521

\*Preliminary data