



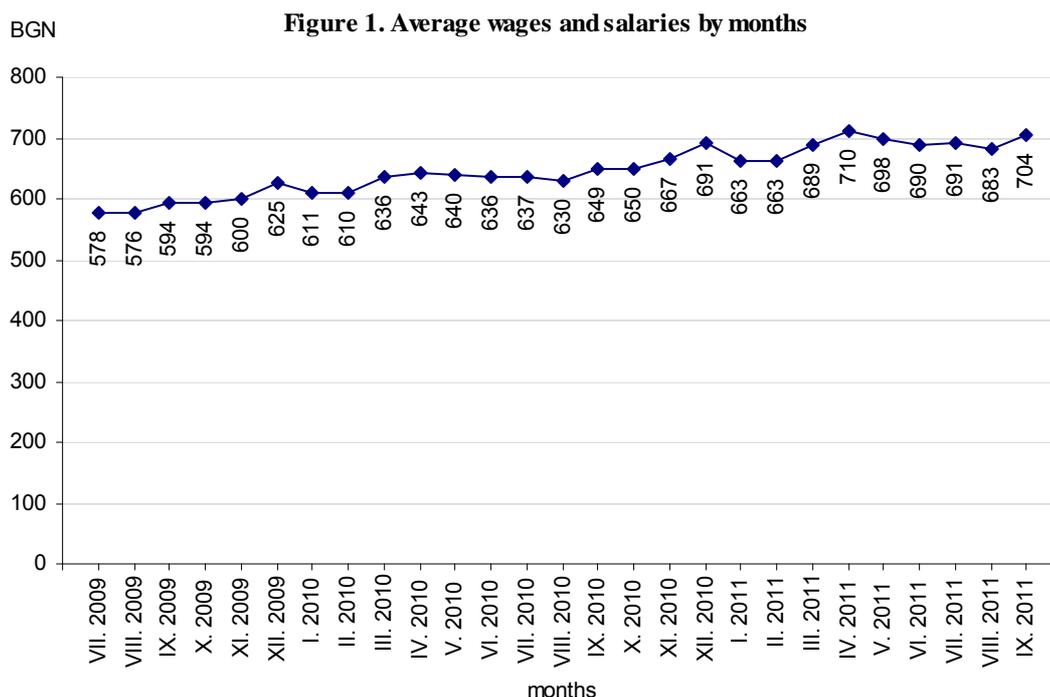
## EMPLOYEES UNDER LABOUR CONTRACT AND AVERAGE WAGES AND SALARIES, THIRD QUARTER OF 2011

According to the preliminary data of the National Statistical Institute (NSI) at the end of September 2011 the number of employees under labour contract decreased by 10.7 thousands or 0.5% as compared to the end of June 2011 and reached 2.19 millions. The highest decrease was observed in economic activity “Real estate activities”- 13.2%, “Accommodation and food service activities”- 12.7% and “Other service activities” - 2.1%. The highest increase of employees was recorded in economic activities “Agriculture, forestry and fishing”- 2.8% and “Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities” - 1.6%.

In the structure of employees by economic activities the biggest relative share of employees was in “Manufacturing” - 22.7% and “Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles” - 17.8%.

At the end of September 2011 as compared to September 2010 the number of employees under labour contract was declined by 9.3 thousands or 0.4%. The highest decrease in absolute figures was observed in economic activities “Manufacturing” - 17.5 thousands, “Construction” - 12.4 thousands and “Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles” - 11.0 thousands. In percentages the highest decrease was in “Construction” - 8.6%, “Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply” - 5.6% and “Manufacturing” - 3.4%.

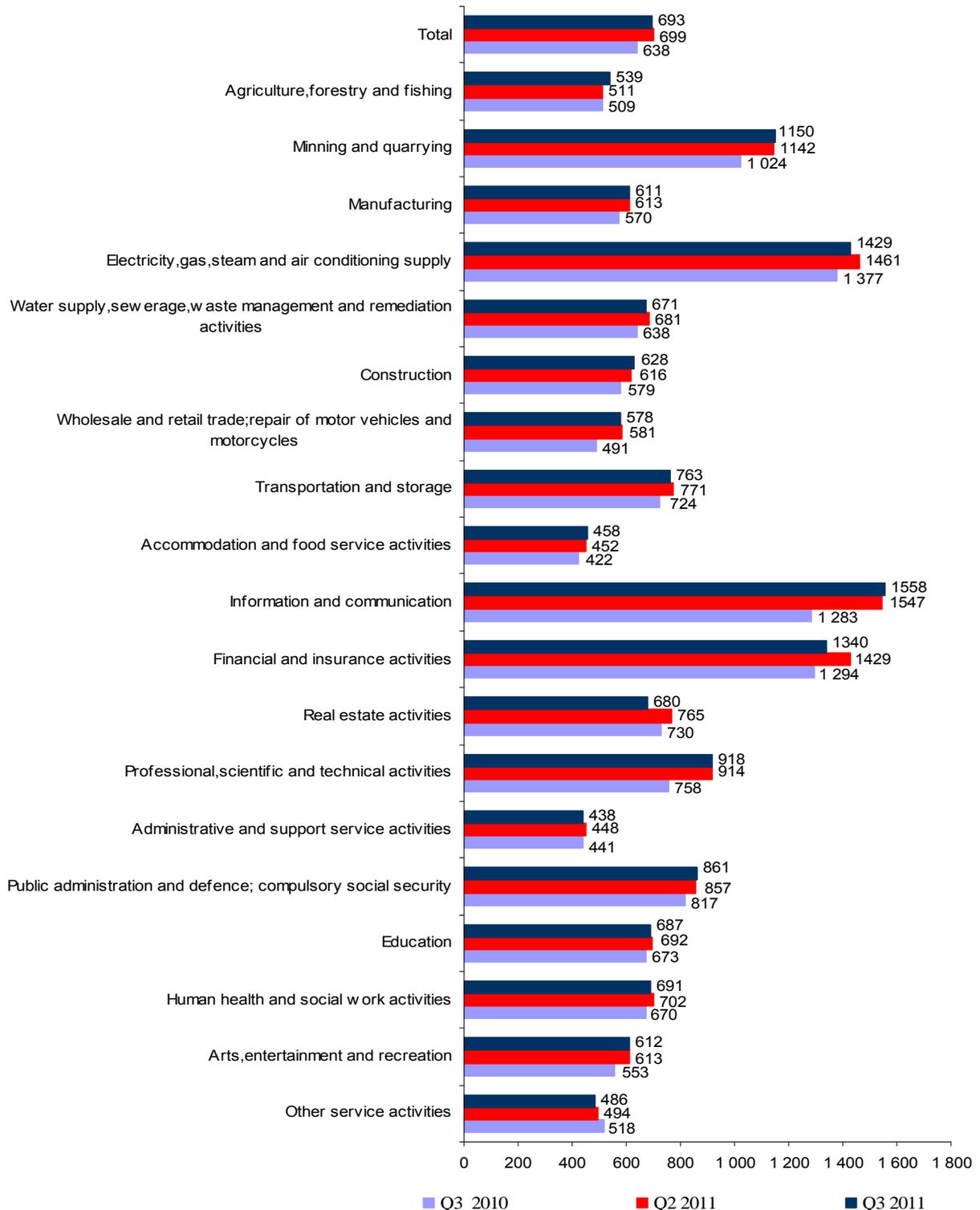
The average monthly wages and salaries of the employees under labour contract in July, August and September 2011 was 691, 683 and 704 levs respectively.





In the third quarter of 2011 in comparison with the second quarter of 2011 the average monthly wages and salaries decreased by 0.9% getting 693 levs. The highest decrease in wages and salaries was reported in “Real estate activities” - 11.1% and “Financial and insurance activities” - 6.2%.

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





The highest increase in average monthly wages and salaries in third quarter of 2011 as compared to the second quarter of 2011 was observed in “Agriculture, forestry and fishing” - 5.5% and “Construction”- 1.9%.

Compared to the third quarter of 2010 the average monthly wages and salaries in the third quarter of 2011 rose by 8.6%. The highest growth rates were recorded in economic activities: “Information and communication” - 21.4% and “Professional, scientific and technical activities” - 21.1%.

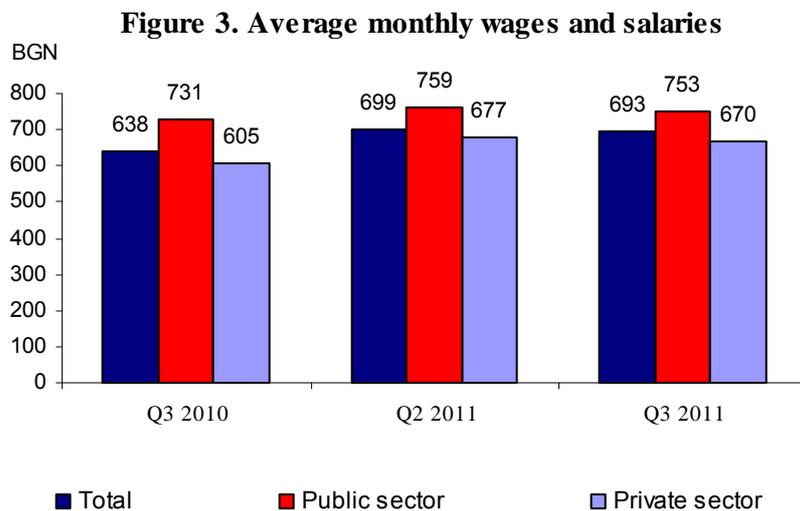
The economic activities with the highest wages and salaries in the third quarter of 2011 were:

- “Information and communication” - 1 558 levs
- “Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply” - 1 429 levs
- “Financial and insurance activities” - 1 340 levs.

The lowest wages and salaries were recorded in:

- “Administrative and support service activities” - 438 levs
- “Accommodation and food service activities” - 458 levs
- “Other service activities” - 486 levs.

In comparison with a year earlier the average monthly wages and salaries in public sector grew by 3.0%, while in private sector - by 10.7%.





### **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).

Employees are all persons who have a labour contract with their employer by virtue of the Labour Code or Civil Servants Act and who receive remuneration in cash or in kind for certain quality and quantity of work done.

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>.



Annex

**Table 1**

**Employees under labour contract at the end of the month by economic activities in 2011<sup>1</sup>**

Economic activity	(Numbers)		
	July	August	September
<b>Total</b>	<b>2212981</b>	<b>2205615</b>	<b>2188749</b>
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	65195	64545	65792
Mining and quarrying	25268	25322	25226
Manufacturing	497773	498136	496443
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	31072	30853	30749
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	34609	34571	34726
Construction	132361	131827	131921
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	396545	395005	390599
Transportation and storage	128093	127406	126605
Accommodation and food service activities	122037	118696	103796
Information and communication	61944	62097	62151
Financial and insurance activities	54763	54840	54769
Real estate activities	21124	20811	19858
Professional, scientific and technical activities	62792	62490	62519
Administrative and support service activities	111783	112478	111478
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	116321	116482	116626
Education	161033	159845	166093
Human health and social work activities	131133	131162	131240
Arts, entertainment and recreation	29834	29764	29206
Other service activities	29301	29285	28952

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary data.



**Table 2**

**Average monthly wages and salaries of the employees under labour contract by economic activities in 2011<sup>1</sup>**

(BGN)

Economic activity	July	August	September
<b>Total</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>704</b>
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	540	515	563
Mining and quarrying	1045	1120	1285
Manufacturing	610	607	616
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	1407	1414	1466
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	657	660	696
Construction	623	631	629
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	574	575	587
Transportation and storage	772	747	771
Accommodation and food service activities	453	453	470
Information and communication	1551	1567	1557
Financial and insurance activities	1404	1280	1334
Real estate activities	678	676	688
Professional, scientific and technical activities	929	898	927
Administrative and support service activities	435	431	448
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	884	879	822
Education	664	652	743
Human health and social work activities	694	677	701
Arts, entertainment and recreation	607	611	617
Other service activities	485	482	493

<sup>1</sup>Preliminary data.