



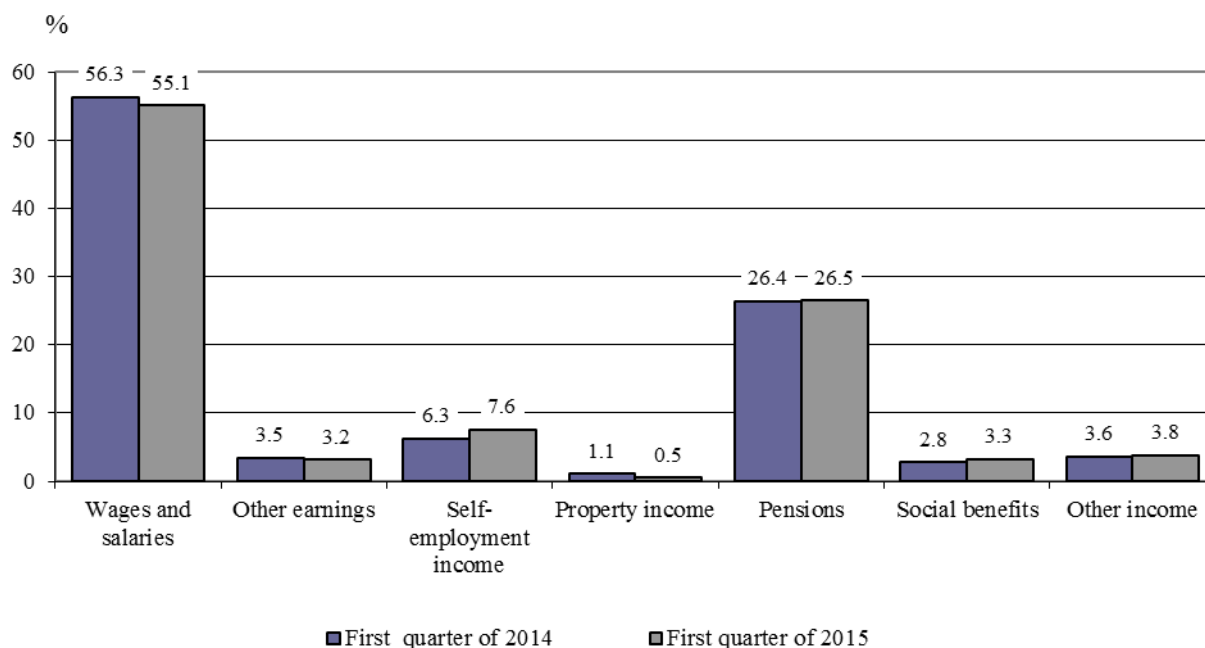
## HOUSEHOLD INCOME, EXPENDITURE AND CONSUMPTION DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2015

### Household Income

The **total income** average per household member during the first quarter of 2015 is 1 187 BGN and increases by 0.8% compared to the same quarter of 2014.

The highest relative share of income within the total income is this from wages and salaries (55.1%). The relative share of income from pensions is 26.5%, from self-employment - 7.6% and from social benefits - 3.3%. The relative share of income from wages and salaries decreases by 1.2 percentage points (pp) and from self-employment income increases by 1.3 pp.

**Figure 1. Structure of the total household income during the first quarter of 2014 and 2015**



The nominal income by source average per capita changes during the first quarter of 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014 changes as follows:

- Income from wages and salaries decreases by 1.4% (from 663 BGN to 654 BGN);
- Income from pensions increases by 1.5% (from 310 BGN to 315 BGN);
- Self-employment income increases by 21.7% (from 74 BGN to 90 BGN);
- Income from social benefits increases by 17.8% (from 33 BGN to 38 BGN).

The relative share of **monetary income** into the total income during the first quarter of 2015 is 99.2% and the share of income in kind is 0.8%.

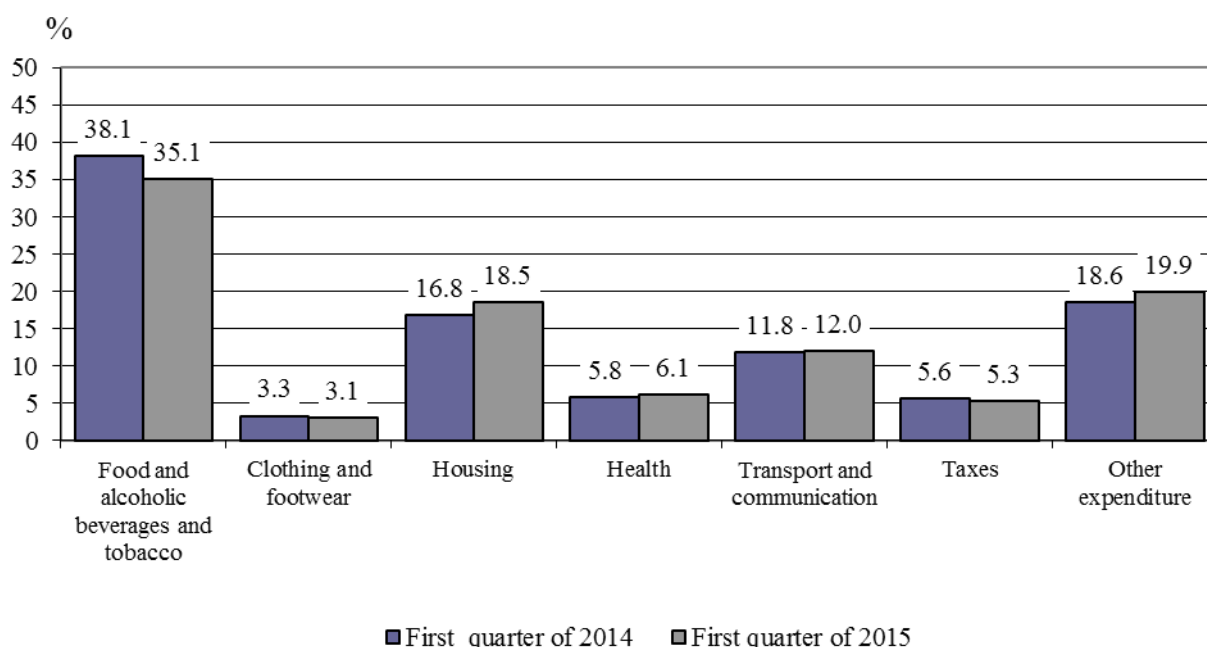


## Household Expenditure

The total expenditure per household member during the first quarter of 2015 is 1 099 BGN and increases by 6.8% in comparison with the same quarter of 2014.

Expenditure on food has the greatest share in forming the total expenditure - 30.8% as well as expenditure on housing - 18.5% and transport and communication - 12.0%.

**Figure 2. Structure of the total household expenditure during the first quarter of 2014 and 2015**



The expenditure by group average per capita changes as absolute values during the first quarter of 2015 compared to the same quarter of 2014 as follows:

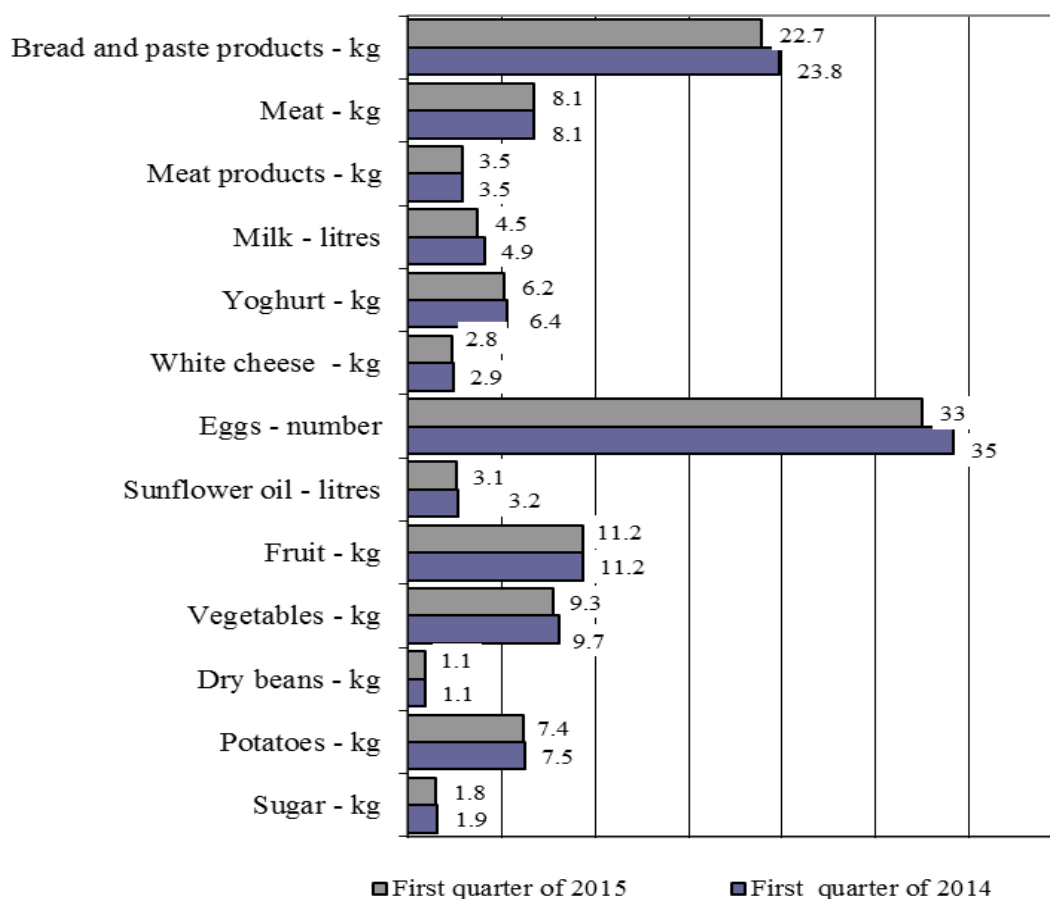
- Expenditure on **food and non-alcoholic beverages** decreases by 2.6% (from 348 BGN to 339 BGN);
- Expenditure on **housing (water, electricity, heating, furnishing and maintenance of the house)** increases by 17.5% (from 173 BGN to 203 BGN);
- Expenditure on **transport and communication** increases by 9.2% (from 121 BGN to 132 BGN);
- Expenditure on **health** increases by 13.3% (from 60 BGN to 68 BGN);
- Expenditure on **alcoholic beverages and tobacco** increases by 6.1% (from 44 BGN to 47 BGN);
- Expenditure on **clothing and footwear** remains almost the same.



## Household Consumption

The consumption of main food products average per household member decreases during the first quarter of 2015 compared to the same quarter of 2014. Most significant decrease is observed in consumption of: bread and paste products - from 23.8 kg to 22.7 kg, eggs - from 35 numbers to 33 numbers, milk - from 4.9 litres to 4.5 litres, vegetables - from 9.7 kg to 9.3 kg. The consumption of meat, meat products, fruit and dry beans remains without changes.

**Figure 3. Consumption of main food products average per household member during the first quarter of 2014 and 2015**





## Methodological notes

The source of data is the quarterly household budget survey. It is sample survey. The sample used for the survey is a random sample.

A regular household are two or more persons who live in one dwelling or part of a dwelling, having their meals together and having a common budget irrespective of the fact whether they are relatives. A household is also one person living alone, having meals separately and having his/her separate budget. Institutional households are not studied by the household budgets survey.

The main indicators for income, expenditure and consumption are estimated quarterly and annual as average values and relative share.

**Household income** in cash and kind includes all receipts of household members from: wages and salaries, pensions, entrepreneurship, unemployment benefits, social benefits, etc. Other regular or irregular transfers from other households and property sale are also included.

**Household expenditure** includes expenditure for food, beverages, tobacco, housing (water, electricity, heating, furnishing and maintenance), transport, communications, health, taxes, social insurance contributions, etc.

**Consumption** average per household member includes the quantities of foods and beverages consumed at home. The catering data are not included.

More information on the household budget survey and its results could be found on NSI website under the heading of Households Income and Expenditure.



Annex

Table 1

Total households income by source during the first quarter of 2014 and 2015

Sources	First quarter of 2014			First quarter of 2015		
	Structure - %	Average per household - BGN	Average per capita - BGN	Structure - %	Average per household - BGN	Average per capita - BGN
<b>Total income</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2801.55</b>	<b>1177.34</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2872.41</b>	<b>1186.85</b>
Total gross income	97.2	2724.45	1144.94	97.2	2791.46	1153.40
Wages and salaries	56.3	1577.75	663.04	55.1	1582.77	653.98
Other earnings	3.5	98.81	41.53	3.2	90.98	37.59
Self-employment income	6.3	176.04	73.98	7.6	217.99	90.07
Property income	1.1	29.84	12.54	0.5	13.67	5.65
Pensions	26.4	738.50	310.35	26.5	762.48	315.05
Unemployment benefits	0.6	16.69	7.01	0.5	13.87	5.73
Family allowances	0.8	22.43	9.43	1.0	28.46	11.76
Other social benefits	1.4	38.55	16.20	1.8	50.73	20.96
Regular transfers from other households	0.9	25.84	10.86	1.1	30.49	12.60
Receipt sale	0.2	5.66	2.38	0.4	10.81	4.47
Miscellaneous	2.6	71.44	30.02	2.4	70.14	28.98
Drawn savings	x	48.57	20.41	x	87.30	36.07
Loans and credits	x	21.00	8.82	x	15.95	6.59



Table 2

**Total household expenditure by group during the first quarter of 2014 and 2015**

Expenditure groups	First quarter of 2014			First quarter of 2015		
	Structure - %	Average per household - BGN	Average per capita - BGN	Structure - %	Average per household - BGN	Average per capita - BGN
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2450.44</b>	<b>1029.79</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2660.54</b>	<b>1099.31</b>
Consumer monetary expenditure	83.5	2045.00	859.40	83.4	2218.37	916.61
Foods and non-alcoholic beverages	33.8	827.70	347.84	30.8	819.73	338.70
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	4.3	105.05	44.15	4.3	113.34	46.83
Clothing and footwear	3.3	79.70	33.49	3.1	82.30	34.00
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	14.1	345.88	145.36	15.1	400.52	165.49
Furnishing and maintenance of the house	2.7	65.93	27.71	3.4	91.46	37.79
Health	5.8	142.04	59.69	6.1	163.62	67.61
Transport	7.2	176.83	74.31	7.4	196.52	81.20
Communication	4.6	111.53	46.87	4.6	123.70	51.11
Recreation, culture and education	3.7	91.14	38.30	4.1	109.70	45.33
Miscellaneous goods and services	4.0	99.21	41.69	4.4	117.49	48.55
Taxes	5.6	136.57	57.39	5.3	139.69	57.72
Social insurance contributions	7.0	170.81	71.78	6.5	174.13	71.95
Regular transfers to others households	1.4	34.91	14.67	1.3	35.01	14.46
Other expenditure	2.6	63.16	26.54	3.5	93.34	38.57
Saving deposits	x	63.74	26.79	x	79.38	32.80
Purchase of currency and securities	x	0.28	0.12	x	0.50	0.20
Debt paid out and loan granted	x	92.53	38.89	x	105.72	43.68