

# Average paid employment<sup>1</sup> and average gross wages and salaries in enterprise sector in October 2020

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**1.0%**

Decrease y/y average paid employment in enterprise sector

In October 2020, average paid employment in enterprise sector was lower by 1.0% y/y and amounted to 6318.3 thousand, while average gross wages and salaries were higher by 4.7% y/y and amounted to 5458.88 PLN.

Data regarding the enterprise sector concerns units conducting economic activity classified into selected<sup>2</sup> kinds of activity by NACE Rev.2 and employing more than 9 persons. Data source is "Report on economic activity" (DG-1). Within the scope of this survey, for the entities with 50 and more persons employed it is a census survey, while for the entities employing from 10 to 49 persons it is a sample one<sup>3</sup>.

**Table 1. Average paid employment and average gross wages and salaries in enterprise sector in October 2020**

Specification	X 2020			I-X 2020
	in absolute numbers	IX 2020=100	X 2019=100	I-X 2019=100
Average paid employment in thousands	6318.3	100.1	99.0	99.0
Average gross wages and salaries total in PLN	5458.88	101.6	104.7	104.5
of which excluding payments from profit	5456.24	101.6	104.7	104.5

In October 2020 compared to the previous month, in enterprise sector was a minimal increase in average paid employment and somewhat larger in average gross wages and salaries

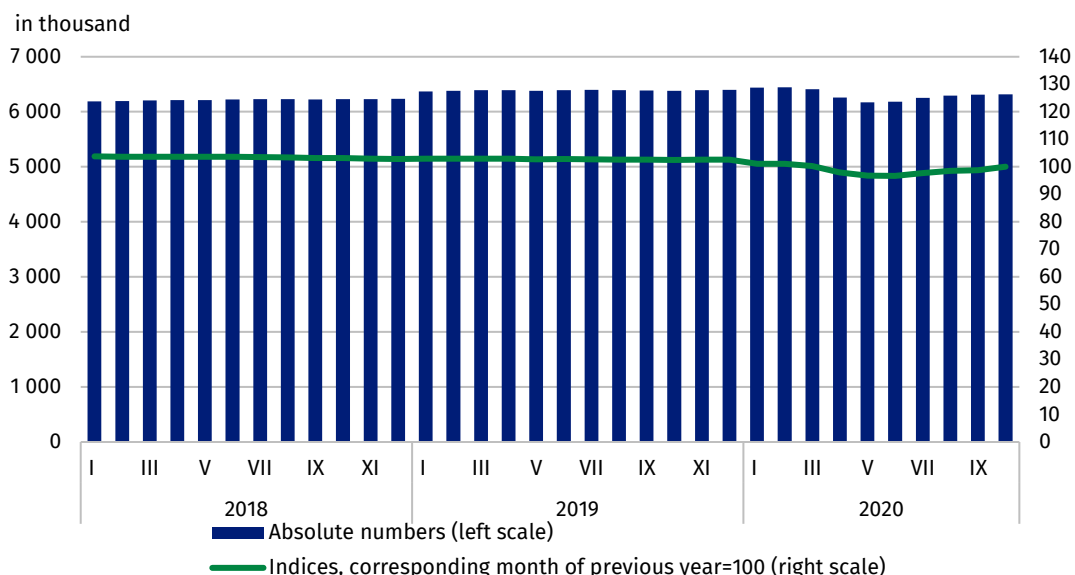
In October 2020, in enterprise sector admissions and restoring pre-pandemic full-time jobs in the units was observed. It translated into a minimal growth in average paid employment by 0.1% compared to the September this year (in September this year compared to August this year an increase of 0.3% was observed). In comparison to the same period last year, in October this year the decline in average paid employment was still visible (by 1.0%), but to a lesser extent than in the previous month, when it amounted to 1.2%.

<sup>1</sup> Average paid employment after converting the dimensions of part-time employees into full-time jobs.

<sup>2</sup> Activities included in the enterprise sector are listed on page 3.

<sup>3</sup> Methodological report Monthly activity report of enterprises: <https://stat.gov.pl/en/topics/economic-activities-finances/activity-of-enterprises-activity-of-companies/methodological-report-monthly-activity-report-of-enterprises,17,1.html> .

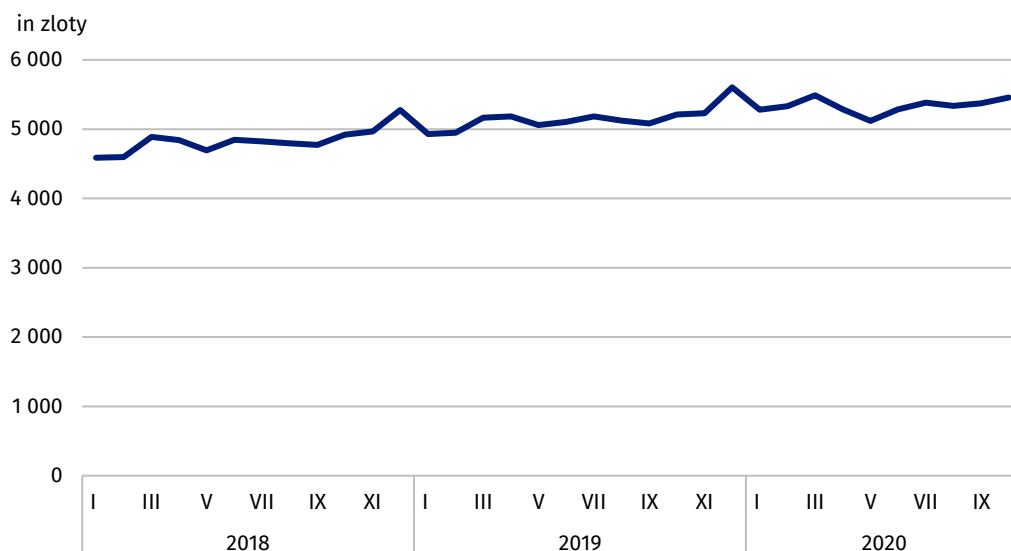
**Chart 1. Average paid employment in enterprises sector**



Due to the epidemic situation and its impact on the labour market, from March to May this year there was a decrease in the average paid employment month on month, while in the subsequent months of 2020 its increase began to be observed, which was continued also in October this year, although to a lesser extent than in previous months. Such changes in the average paid employment during the year did not occur in the previous years.

In October this year, compared to September this year, an increase in average gross wages and salaries in enterprise sector was noted (by 1.6%). It was caused among others by payment of bonuses, quarterly, annual and jubilee awards and retirement severance pays (which beside the base remuneration are also included as components of wages and salaries).

**Chart 2. Average monthly gross wages and salaries in enterprise sector**



Annually (October 2020 to October 2019), average gross wages and salaries increased by 4.7%, and the growth rate was slower than that observed a month earlier, when it amounted to 5.6% y/y.

In the cumulative period of ten months of 2020 average gross wages and salaries, compared to the same period of the previous year, increased in almost all NACE sections by between 0.4% in section “Accommodation and catering” and 8.8% in section “Administrative and support service activities”, which resulted in total average monthly wages and salaries increase of 4.5%. Decrease by 3.0% was noted in section “Agriculture, forestry and fishing”.

## Methodological notes

**Enterprise sector concerns units employing more than 9 persons and conducting economic activity within the scope of the following areas:** forestry and logging; marine fishing; mining and quarrying; manufacturing; electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply; water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities; construction; wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles; transportation and storage; accommodation and food service activities; information and communication; real estate activities; legal and accounting activities; activities of head offices; management consultancy activities; architectural and engineering activities; technical testing and analysis; advertising and market research; other professional, scientific and technical activities; administrative and support service activities; arts, entertainment and recreation; repair of computers and personal and household goods; other personal service activities.

Labour market data on survey report DG-1 do not include persons employed under a mandate contract and contract for specified work - the detailed scope of exclusions along with methods of calculating labour market variables can be found in the explanations of the DG-1 report<sup>4</sup>.

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<sup>4</sup> DG-1 report in English is available in Methodological report Monthly activity report of enterprises: <https://stat.gov.pl/en/topics/economic-activities-finances/activity-of-enterprises-activity-of-companies/methodological-report-monthly-activity-report-of-enterprises,17,1.html>.

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[Average paid employment](#)

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