

Average paid employment¹ and average gross wages and salaries in enterprise sector in August 2021

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0.9%

Increase y/y average paid employment in enterprise sector

In August 2021, average paid employment in enterprise sector was higher by 0.9% y/y and amounted to 6352.0 thousand, while average wages and salaries were higher by 9.5% y/y and amounted to 5843.75 PLN (gross).

Data regarding the enterprise sector concerns units conducting economic activity classified into selected² 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 one³.

Table 1. Average paid employment and average gross wages and salaries in enterprise sector in August 2021

Specification	VIII 2021			I–VIII 2021	
	in absolute numbers	VII 2021=100	VIII 2020=100	in absolute numbers	I–VIII 2020=100
Average paid employment in thousands	6352.0	99.8	100.9	6339.8	100.1
Average gross wages and salaries total in PLN	5843.75	99.9	109.5	5767.05	108.3
of which excluding payments from profit	5839.28	99.8	109.4	5765.60	108.3

In August 2021 **average paid employment in enterprise sector** minimally decreased compared to the one noted in July this year (by 0.2%), while in July this year it was at a level similar to that recorded in June this year. Slightly decrease in average paid employment in August 2021 was the result of i.a. end of fixed-term contracts and not extending them, seasonal employment and also it was affected by receiving by employees sickly leave benefits – which, depending on the overall length of their duration, could also have an impact on the way of including these persons in average paid employment and at the same time in wages and salaries (methods of calculating these variables are described in DG-1 report⁴).

Comparing August 2021 to the corresponding month of 2020, an increase in average paid employment by 0.9% was observed.

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

² Activities included in the enterprise sector are listed on page 3.

³ 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> .

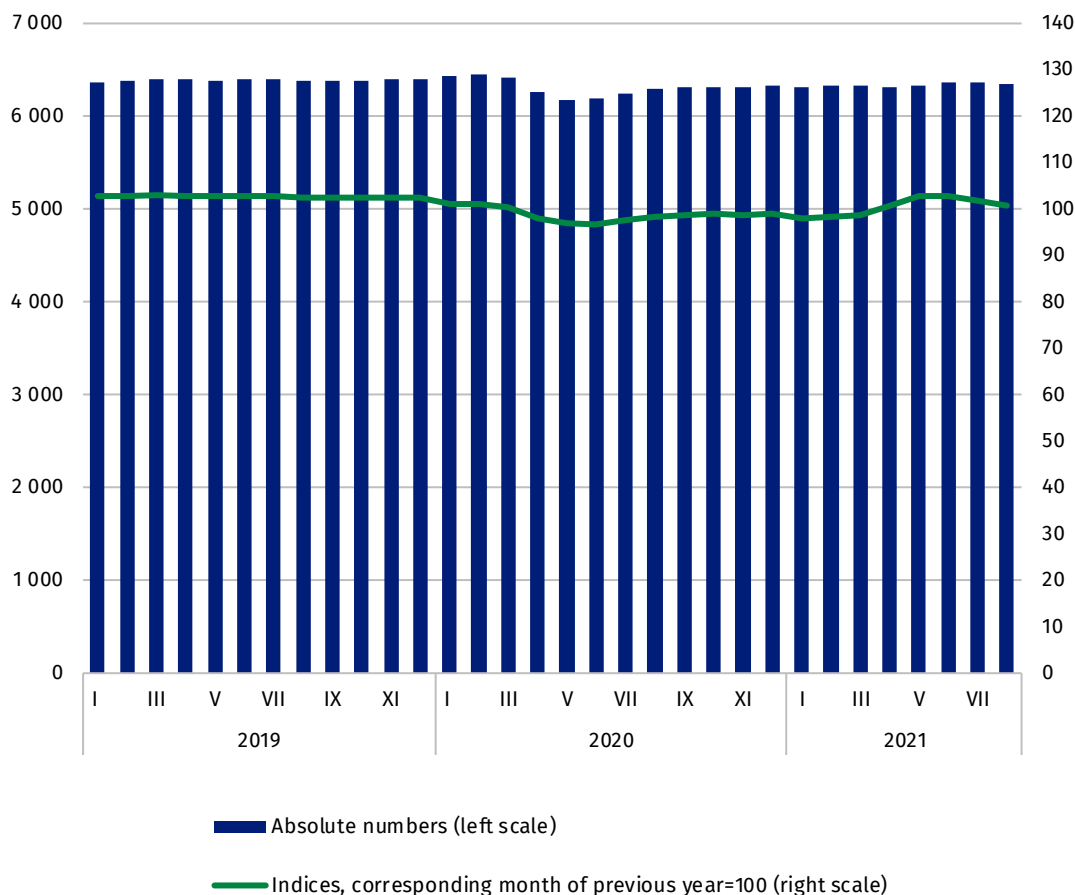
⁴ DG-1 report in English is available in Methodological report Monthly activity report of enterprises: <https://stat.gov.pl/en/topics/economic-activities-finances/activity-of-enterprises-activity-of-companies/methodological-report-monthly-activity-report-of-enterprises,17,1.html>.

The enterprise sector is part of the national economy, which means that the data refers to selected entities conducting economic activity

In enterprise sector in August 2021 both average paid employment and average gross wages and salaries minimally decreased compared to the previous month

Chart 1. Average paid employment in enterprises sector

in thousand



Due to the epidemic situation and its impact on the labour market, from March to May 2020 there was a decrease in the average paid employment in enterprise sector month on month, while from June 2020 its increase began to be observed. In 2021, average paid employment changed slightly. In August 2021, compared to the previous month, average paid employment decreased by approx. 9.7 thousand full-time jobs.

Regarding **average gross wages and salaries in enterprise sector**, in August 2021 compared to the July 2021 a minimal decrease by 0.1% was noted. In previous year, in August 2020 to June 2020 also decrease was observed, but a little larger – by 0.8%.

Annually (August 2021 to August 2020) average gross wages and salaries increased by 9.5%. A year before (August 2020 to August 2019) an average wage growth rate of 4.1% was recorded.

In the cumulative period of eight months of 2021 average gross wages and salaries, compared to the same period of the previous year, increased in all NACE sections by between 5.1% in section “Arts, entertainment and recreation” and 12.4% in section “Other service activities”, which resulted in total average monthly wages and salaries increase of 8.3%.

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



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 report⁵.

Due to the short period in which the units provide data as part of the survey on the DG-1 form, the presented results are preliminary. In the absence of complete records as at the date of preparation of the survey, it is allowed to include estimated data, and in the event of the need to correct data disclosed in previous periods, changes are included only in cumulative data.

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