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Average earnings (wages)

January 2026

The average earnings (gross) in Montenegro in January 2026 are 1 228 euro, while the average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) are 1 026 euro. The average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in January 2026 comparing to December 2025 increased for 0.4%, while the average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in January 2026 comparing to the same month of the previous year increased for 2.2%.

Having in mind that consumer prices in January 2026 comparing to December 2025 increased for 0.1%, the results is that real earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in the same period increased for 0.3%.

Graph 1. Average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in EUR

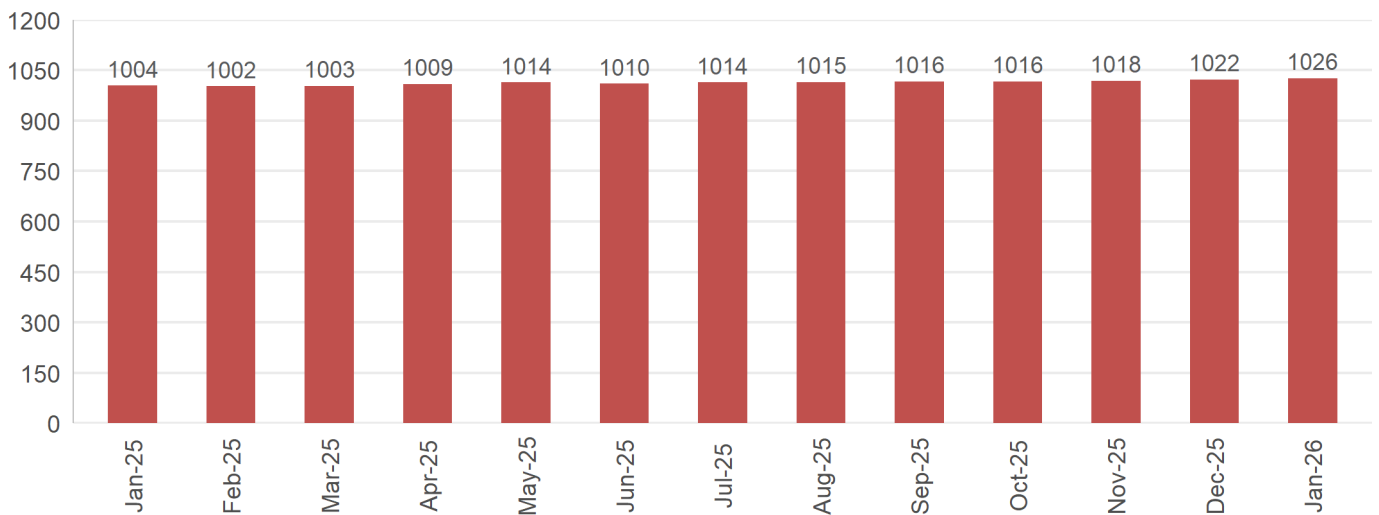


Table 1. Wages without taxes and contributions (net)

		Wages without taxes and contributions (net)		Index of nominal wages without taxes and contributions (net)
		Jan-2026	Dec-2026	<u>Jan-2026</u> <u>Dec-2026</u>
	TOTAL	1 026	1 022	100.4
A	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	925	895	103.4
B	Mining and quarrying	1 157	1 167	99.1
C	Manufacturing	915	911	100.4
D	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	1 421	1 383	102.7
E	Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	923	909	101.5
F	Construction	1 000	996	100.4
G	Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	962	952	101.1
H	Transportation and storage	988	982	100.6
I	Accommodation and food service activities	1 016	1 029	98.7
J	Information and communication	1 310	1 306	100.3
K	Financial and insurance activities	1 619	1 643	98.5
L	Real estate activities	1 203	1 194	100.8
M	Professional, scientific and technical activities	1 115	1 075	103.7
N	Administrative and support service activities	851	837	101.7
O	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	1 054	1 069	98.6
P	Education	947	960	98.6
Q	Human health and social work activities	1 048	1 030	101.7
R	Arts, entertainment and recreation	904	898	100.7
S	Other service activities	978	941	103.9

At the sector level, the average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in January 2026 compared to December 2025 increased in the following sectors: Other service activities (3.9%), Professional, scientific and technical activities (3.7%), Agriculture, forestry and fishing (3.4%), Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply (2.7%), Administrative and support service activities (1.7%), Human health and social work activities (1.7%), Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities (1.5%), Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (1.1%), Real estate activities (0.8%), Arts, entertainment and recreation (0.7%), Transportation and storage (0.6%), Manufacturing (0.4%), Construction (0.4%) and Information and communication (0.3%).

There was a decrease in the following sectors: Financial and insurance activities (1.5%), Public administration and defence; compulsory social security (1.4%), Education (1.4%), Accommodation and food service activities (1.3%) and Mining and quarrying (0.9%).

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

The data on average monthly earnings present earnings paid within a month, and they are received by the regular monthly survey Monthly report on employees and earnings (RAD-1 form).

The average earnings (gross) are calculated dividing the total earnings paid off in a month by the number of number of employees the paid earnings refer to. Earnings without taxes and contributions (net) comprise earnings (gross) reduced by taxes and contributions paid by employee.

The index on real average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) represent the ratio between index on nominal average earnings without taxes and contributions (net), and consumer price index.

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More data, as well as detailed methodological notes can be found in the section: [Wages](#)