Average earnings (wages)  
August 2019

The average earnings (gross) in Montenegro in August 2019 are 776 Euro, while the average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) are 517 Euro. The average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in August 2019 comparing to July 2019 increased 1.2% while the average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in August 2019 comparing to August 2018 increased 1.2%. Having in mind that consumer prices in August 2019 comparing to July 2019 increased 0.1%, the results is that real earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in the same period increased 1.1%.

At the sector level the average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in August 2019 compared to July 2019 increased in the following sectors: Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply (5.2%), Transportation and storage (4.3%), Arts, entertainment and recreation (3.1%), Accommodation and food service activities (3.0%), Mining and quarrying (2.7%), Administrative and support service activities (2.6%), Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities (2.1%), Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles (1.8%), Financial and insurance activities (1.7%), Information and communications (1.4%), Manufacturing (1.3%), Public administration and defence, compulsory social security (0.5%), Construction (0.4%), Real estate activities (0.1%), while there were a decrease in the following sectors: Other service activities (1.5%), Professional, scientific and technical activities (1.1%), Human health and social work activities (0.4%), Agriculture, forestry and fishing (0.3%) and Education (0.2%).
METHODOLOGICAL EXPLANATIONS

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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