

Gross wages and labour cost

I quarter 2012

Since the first quarter 2009 the gross wages and labour cost indicators are calculated with reference to the base year 2005 using the new Ateco 2007 classification (Italian edition of Nace Rev. 2).

In the first quarter 2012 the seasonally adjusted index of gross wages per full time equivalent (fte) increased by 0.4% compared to the previous quarter (+0.6% in industry and +0.4% in services). The unadjusted index rose by 2.1% compared to the first quarter 2011 (+3.1% in industry and +1.5% in services).

Quarterly indicators of gross wages, other labour costs and total labour cost per employee (full time equivalent - fte) (base 2005=100). I quarter 2012

	Seasonally adjusted data		Unadjusted data	
	Index	Percentage change <u>I 2012</u> IV 2011	Index	Percentage change <u>I 2012</u> I 2011
Industry (a)				
- Average gross wages per employee (fte)	124.1	0.6	115.9	3.1
- Average other labour costs per employee (fte)	122.0	0.4	113.5	2.9
- Average labour cost per employee (fte)	123.5	0.6	115.2	3.0
Services (b)				
- Average gross wages per employee (fte)	115.6	0.4	106.2	1.5
- Average other labour costs per employee (fte)	115.4	0.4	106.0	2.1
- Average labour cost per employee (fte)	115.5	0.4	106.1	1.6
Total				
- Average gross wages per employee (fte)	119.6	0.4	110.7	2.1
- Average other labour costs per employee (fte)	117.8	0.2	109.1	2.3
- Average labour cost per employee (fte)	119.2	0.4	110.3	2.2

Preliminary estimates

(a) Including mining. manufacturing. electricity. gas and water supply. construction (sections B-F of NACE rev.2 classification of economic activities). (b) Private services excluding health. education and non-market services (sections G-N of NACE rev.2 classification of economic activities).

For more details please refer to the Italian version

Time series are available <u>http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en</u>

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