

## Large firms labour indicators

## February 2013

Labour indicators for large firms (enterprises with 500 employees and more) are calculated with reference to the base year 2010 using the Ateco 2007 classification (Italian edition of Nace rev. 2).

In February 2013 the seasonally adjusted employment index in large firms decreased by 0.1% compared with January (-0.1% in industry and -0.2% in services); net of workers in cassa integrazione guadagni (Cig = short-time working allowance) it decreased by 0.3% (-0.5% in industry and -0.1% in services). The percentage change of the average of the last three months compared to the previous three months was -0.4% gross of Cig and -0.3% net of Cig.

The unadjusted employment index in large firms decreased by 1.3% compared with January 2013 (-1.6% net of Cig); the percentage change of the first two months of the year with respect to the same period of 2012 was -1.4% (-1.6% net of Cig).

In February 2013 the seasonally adjusted index of gross average earnings per hours worked increased by 1.8% with respect to the previous month (+2.6% in industry and +0.3% in services). The percentage change of the average of the last three months compared to the previous three months was -1.5% (-0.7% in industry and -1.5% in services).

The unadjusted index of gross average earnings per hours worked increased by 2.7% compared with February 2012 (+3.9% in industry and +2.1% in services). The percentage change of the first two months of the year with respect to the same period of 2012 was -0.9% (-2.0 % in industry and -0.3% in services).

Large firms employment and gross average earnings per hours worked (indices 2010=100). February 2013 (provisional data)

Economic Activities	Seasonally adjusted (a)			Unadjusted		
	Index _	Percentage changes		Index	Percentage changes	
		Feb 13 Jan 13	Dec 12 - Feb 13 Sep - Nov 12	Feb 13	Feb 13 Feb 12	Jan- Feb 13 Jan- Feb 12
Employees	96.9	-0.1	-0.2	96.7	-1.5	-1.5
Employees (excluding Cig)	95.8	-0.5	-0.3	95.6	-2.5	-2.3
Gross average earnings per hours worked	109.0	+2.6	-0.7	97.1	+3.9	-2.0
Services (sections G-N of Nace rev. 2)						
Employees	98.4	-0.2	-0.4	97.8	-1.3	-1.3
Employees (excluding Cig)	98.4	-0.1	-0.2	97.7	-1.1	-1.2
Gross average earnings per hours worked	101.1	+0.3	-1.5	93.9	+2.1	-0.3
Total (sections B-N of Nace rev. 2)						
Employees	97.9	-0.1	-0.4	97.5	-1.3	-1.4
Employees (excluding Cig)	97.5	-0.3	-0.3	97.0	-1.6	-1.6
Gross average earnings per hours worked	103.6	+1.8	-1.5	95.0	+2.7	-0.9

<sup>(</sup>a) The seasonal adjustment of the indices is done using a direct method, this means that both aggregates and components are seasonally adjusted using their respective models.

## For more details please refer to the Italian version

Time series are available at <a href="http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en">http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en</a> Date of previous release: 28 February 2013

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