

Large firms labour indicators

August 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 August 2013 the seasonally adjusted employment index in large firms is decreased by 0.1% compared with July (-0.1 in industry and unchanged in services); net of workers in cassa integrazione guadagni (Cig = short-time working allowance) it decreased by 0.4% (-1.0% in industry and -0.2% in services). The percentage change of the average of the last three months compared to the previous three months was -0.3% gross Cig and -0.5 net of Cig.

The unadjusted employment index in large firms decreased by 1,5% compared with August 2012 (-1.5% net of Cig); the percentage change in the first eight months of the year with respect to the same period of 2012 was -1.4% (-1.3% net of Cig).

In August 2013 the seasonally adjusted index of gross average earnings per hours worked increased by 3.2% with respect to the previous month (+1.3% in industry and +3.0% in services). The percentage change of the average of the last three months compared to the previous three months was -0.9 (-0.2% in industry and -1.0 in services).

The unadjusted index of gross average earnings per hours worked increased by +4.2% compared with August 2012 (+5.1 in industry and +3.8% in services). The percentage change in the first eight months of the year with respect to the same period of 2012 was +1.0% (+1.3 % in industry and +0.8% in services).

Economic Activities	Seasonally adjusted (a)			Unadjusted		
	Index	Percentage changes		Index	Percentage changes	
	Aug 13	Aug 13 Jul 13	Jun- Aug 13 Mar- May 13	Aug 13	Aug 13 Aug 12	Jan- Aug 13 Jan- Aug 12
Employees	96.4	-0.1	-0.4	96.9	-1.4	-1.4
Employees (excluding Cig)	95.4	-1.0	-0.4	96.6	-1.6	-1.6
Gross average earnings per hour worked	110.2	+1.3	-0.2	132.7	+5.1	+1.3
Services (sections G-N of Nace rev. 2)						
Employees	97.9	0.0	-0.3	98.5	-1.5	-1.4
Employees (excluding Cig)	97.4	-0.2	-0.4	98.0	-1.5	-1.3
Gross average earnings per hour worked	104.9	+3.0	-1.0	107.0	+3.8	+0.8
Total (sections B-N of Nace rev. 2)						
Employees	97.3	-0.1	-0.3	97.9	-1.5	-1.4
Employees (excluding Cig)	96.8	-0.4	-0.5	97.6	-1.5	-1.3
Gross average earnings per hour worked	106.8	+3.2	-0.9	114.6	+4.2	+1.0

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

(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 <u>http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en</u> Date of previous release: 30 September 2013 Date of next release: 28 November 2013

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