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Average earnings (wages)

January 2021

The average earnings (gross) in Montenegro in January 2021 are 791 Euro, while the average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) are 530 Euro. The average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in January 2021 comparing to December 2020 increased 0.6% while the average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in January 2021 comparing to January 2020 increased 1.1%.

Having in mind that consumer prices in January 2021 comparing to December 2020 increased 0.3%, the results is that real earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in the same period increased 0.3%.

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

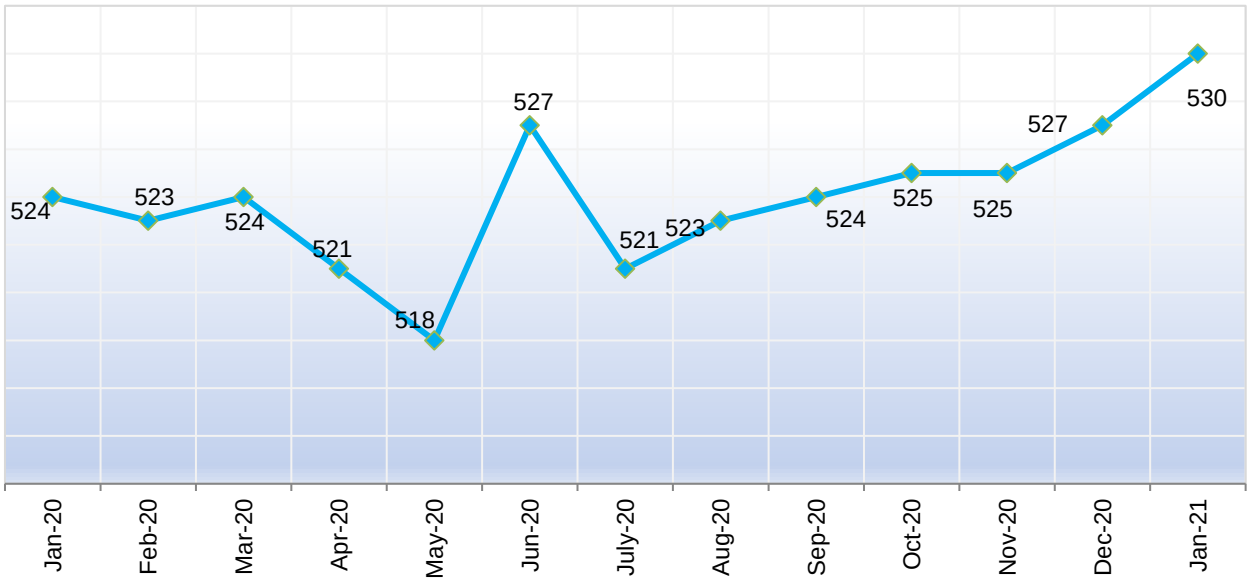

Table 1. Index of nominal wages without taxes and contributions (net)

		Wages without taxes and contributions (net)		Index of nominal wages without taxes and contributions (net)
		January 2021	December 2020	January 2020 / December 2020
	TOTAL:	**530**	**527**	**100.6**
A	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	461	459	100.4
B	Mining and quarrying	714	713	100.1
C	Manufacturing	386	422	91.5
D	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	959	947	101.3
E	Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	498	501	99.4
F	Construction	480	461	104.1
G	Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and motor recycles	393	388	101.3
H	Transportation and storage	528	527	100.2
I	Accommodation and food service activities	383	392	97.7
J	Information and communication	705	697	101.1
K	Financial and insurance activities	978	976	100.2
L	Real estate activities	631	651	96.9
M	Professional, scientific and technical activities	481	470	102.3
N	Administrative and support service activities	353	339	104.1
O	Public administration and defense, compulsory social security	591	597	99.0
P	Education	546	543	100.6
Q	Human health and social work activities	641	636	100.8
R	Arts, entertainment and recreation	419	407	102.9
S	Other service activities	440	433	101.6

At the sector level, the average earnings without taxes and contributions (net) in January 2021 compared to December 2020 increased in the following sectors: *Construction (4.1%),* Administrative and support service activities (4.1%), *Arts, entertainment and recreation* (2.9%), *Professional, scientific and technical activities (2.3%),* Other service activities (1.6%), *Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply* (1.3%*), Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and motor recycles (1.3%), Information and communications* (1.1%), Human health and social work activities (0.8%), *Education (0.6%), Agriculture, forestry and fishing (0.4%),* Transportation and storage (0.2%), Financial and insurance activities (0.2%), *Mining and quarrying* (0.1%) while there were a decrease in the following sectors: *Manufacturing* (8.5%), Real estate activities (3.1%), *Accommodation and food service activities (2.3%)*, *Public administration and defense, compulsory social security (1.0%) and Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities* (0.6%).

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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