

Area: Labour Market

THE AVERAGE GROSS EARNINGS^{*)} ON TOTAL ECONOMY IN APRIL 2022 WERE 6443 LEI AND THE NET 3967 LEI

- In April 2022, the average gross earnings were 6443 lei, with 42 lei (+0.7%) higher than the one registered in March 2022.
- The average net earnings were 3967 lei, increasing as against the previous month with 30 lei (+0.8%).
- The highest values of the average net earnings were recorded in **computer programming, consultancy and related activities (including information service activities)** (9746 lei), while the lowest in **accommodation and food service activities** (2120 lei).

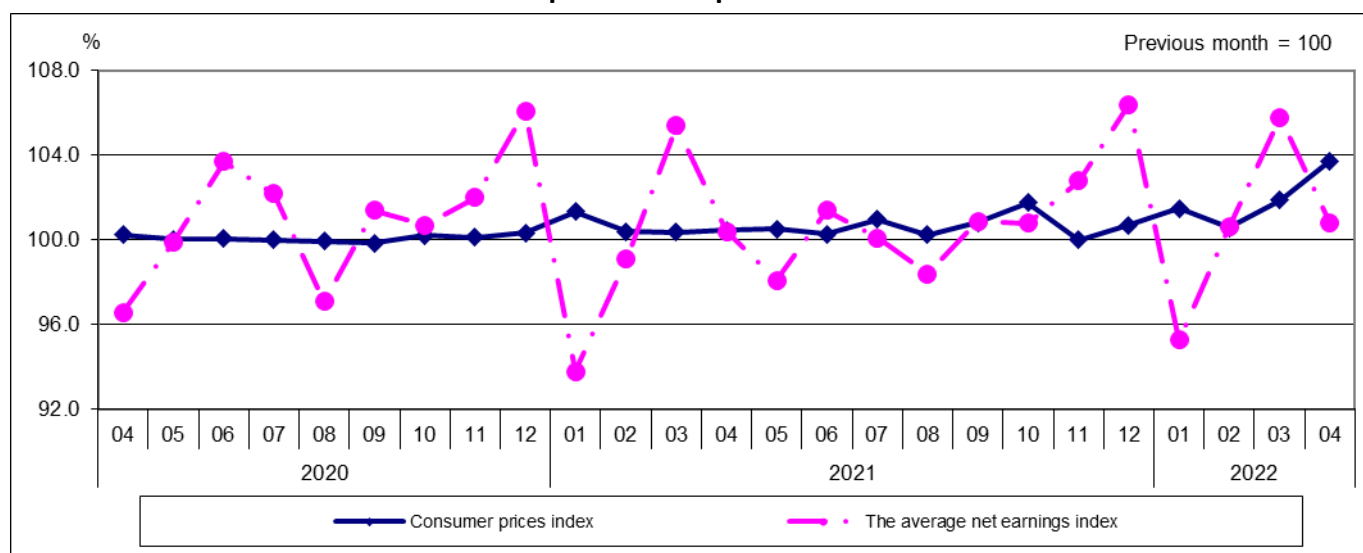
April 2022 as compared to April 2021

- As compared to April of the previous year, the average net earnings increased by 11.4%**).

Earnings in relation with the evolution of consumer prices

- The real earnings index¹ was 97.9% in April 2022 in relation with April 2021.
- The real earnings index was 97.2% in April 2022 as against March 2022.
- As compared to October 1990, the real earnings index was 227.5%, by 6.7 percentage points lower than the one recorded in March 2022.

Evolution of the consumer price index and of the average net earnings index during April 2020 – April 2022



[The data of the graph \(xls\)](#)

Fluctuations in earnings were recorded during the year, mainly determined by granting annual premiums and holiday bonuses (December, March/April). These are influencing the increases or decreases depending on the period they are granted, finally leading to smoothing the fluctuations in monthly earnings at the level of the whole year.

The evolution of real earnings depends on both the fluctuations of the average net earnings and the inflation rate.

*) Please see Methodological notes from item 4. Concepts and definitions

**) The evolution of the average net earnings for the period April 2021 – April 2022 is presented in the Annex

¹ Calculated as the ratio between the average net earnings index and the consumer prices index

April 2022 as compared to March 2022

In April 2022, in the majority of activities belonging to the economic sector², the level of the average net earnings increased due to granting of the occasional bonuses (quarterly, annual, the 13th salary, for performance or Easter bonuses), payments in kind and other allowances, amounts from the net profit and other funds (including value tickets). Also, the increases of the average net earnings were due to resuming the activity of certain economic agents, higher production achievements or receipts level (depending on contracts/projects).

The most significant increases in the average net earnings at section/division level of NACE Rev.2 have been recorded as follows:

- By 30.2% in mining of coal and lignite, respectively by 20.8% in electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply;
- Between 8.0% and 12.0% in financial service activities (except insurance and pension funding), water transport, mining support service activities, air transport, warehousing and support activities for transportation, printing and reproduction of recorded media, manufacture of basic metals;
- Between 3.0% and 7.5% in other mining and quarrying, telecommunications, manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers, extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas, manufacture of rubber and plastic products, real estate activities, repair and installation of machinery and equipment, forestry and logging (including fishing and aquaculture), land transport and transport via pipelines, waste collection, treatment and disposal activities (including materials recovery; remediation activities and other waste management services), other service activities.

Decreases of the average net earnings as against March 2022 were determined by the occasional bonuses, payments in kind and other allowances, amounts from the net profit and other funds granted in the previous month. Also, the decreases of the average net earnings were caused by the production un-achievements or lower receipts (depending on contracts/projects), as well as hiring staff with lower earnings as against the average, in certain economic activities.

The most significant decreases in the average net earnings at section/division level of NACE Rev.2 have been recorded as follows:

- By 32.3% in manufacture of tobacco products, by 18.8% in insurance, reinsurance and pension funding (except compulsory social security), respectively by 11.0% in manufacture of beverages;
- Between 3.0% and 9.5% in publishing activities, professional, scientific and technical activities, activities auxiliary to financial services and insurance activities, manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations, mining of metal ores, manufacture of leather and related products, manufacture of textiles, manufacture of basic chemicals, fertilisers and nitrogen compounds, plastics and synthetic rubber in primary forms.

In the **budgetary sector**³ were registered slightly increases of the average net earnings as against the previous month in public administration (+0.7%), respectively in human health and social work activities (+0.1%). In education, the average net earnings decreased as against the previous month (-1.7%), caused by the amounts reduction representing the hourly payments of teaching staff during school holidays.

Additional Information:

***) The average gross monthly earnings are determined by reporting the amounts from the salary fund, net profit and other funds (excluding severance payments, backdated paid arrears as consequence of winning the lawsuits involving the money rights related to previous years) to the average number of employees.**

For an accurate interpretation of the indicators, please see the [Methodological notes](#) attached to the press release on the homepage.

The average monthly gross and net earnings are presented in the [Annex](#). Additional information can be obtained:

- accessing on-line TEMPO database (starting June 14th 2022):

<http://statistici.insse.ro:8077/tempo-online/#/pages/tables/insse-table>

- from the Monthly Statistical Bulletin no. 4/2022: <https://insse.ro/cms/en/publicatii-statistice-in-format-electronic>

The next press release on the average monthly earnings will be issued on July 12th 2022.

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² Excluding activities of public administration, education, human health and social work activities

³ See the Methodological notes from point 3 regarding „budgetary sector”