Distribution of earnings for full-time employees in the private and the public sector 2008-2014

		Regular earnings		Total regular earnings		Total earnings		Hours paid	
		Mean	50% (median)	Mean	50% (median)	Mean	50% (median)	Mean	50% (median)
2008	Total	326	283	380	341	428	369	44	42
	Private sector	337	278	388	343	447	375	44	42
	Public sector - total	311	290	370	339	401	360	45	43
	Public sector - central government	343	317	421	392	460	418	46	45
	Public sector - local government	275	263	311	301	334	318	43	42
2009	Total	345	306	389	350	425	376	43	41
	Private sector	356	299	394	346	434	376	43	41
	Public sector - total	333	313	383	355	414	378	44	42
	Public sector - central government	359	335	429	401	468	428	45	44
	Public sector - local government	304	294	333	324	355	343	42	41
2010	Total	358	317	400	360	431	387	43	41
	Private sector	374	314	414	367	446	397	43	41
	Public sector - total	340	320	385	355	414	377	43	42
	Public sector - central government	367	342	429	405	467	430	44	43
	Public sector - local government	310	299	336	324	356	342	42	41
2011	Total	376	331	421	379	460	410	43	42
	Private sector	395	332	441	392	481	427	43	41
	Public sector - total	353	331	398	369	435	393	43	42
	Public sector - central government	386	359	447	422	498	459	44	43
	Public sector - local government	321	310	350	337	372	359	42	41
2012	Total	402	353	452	404	488	432	43	42
	Private sector	423	354	474	418	510	450	43	41
	Public sector - total	378	352	427	391	463	415	43	42
	Public sector - central government	415	384	484	453	536	489	44	43
	Public sector - local government	341	329	370	357	391	376	42	41
2013	Total	435	375	486	433	526	464	43	42
	Private sector	466	388	516	454	555	485	43	41
	Public sector - total	397	368	450	414	489	440	43	42
	Public sector - central government	438	406	511	479	570	523	44	43
	Public sector - local government	356	344	389	374	409	392	42	41
2014	Total	454	393	511	454	555	489	43	42
	Private sector	483	397	535	465	580	505	43	41
	Public sector - total	418	390	480	442	521	471	43	42
	Public sector - central government	459	433	548	517	603	556	45	44
	Public sector - local government	378	368	413	398	442	421	42	41

Preliminary numbers

Earnings are monthly earnings in thousand ISK.

Paid hours are weekly hours paid.

Data are based on the Icelandic Survey on Wages, Earnings and Labour Cost which is a sample survey.

Data is based on the following economic activities: Manufacturing (C), Electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply (D), Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities (E), Construction (F), Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles (G), Transportation and storage (G), Information and communication (J), Financial and insurance activities (K), Public administration and defence; compulsory social security (O), Education (P), and Human health and social work activities (Q).

Sector

Employees in the public sector receive remuneration from either local government or the central government. Other employees belong to the private sector.

Earnings and working hours:

Regular earnings:

Regular earnings is the remuneration for regular working hours, that is ordinary working hours according to collective agreements, both daytime and shift-work hours. Total regular earnings:

Total regular earnings is the total remuneration per month including overtime and sick days.

Total earnings:

Total earnings is the total remuneration per month including piecework, irregular bonuses and various other irregular payments.

Hours paid:

Hours paid are all working hours for full-time employees, whether being daytime, shift-work or overtime hours.

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