

## Gross wages and labour cost

### IV quarter 2009

Since the first quarter 2009 the gross wages and labour cost indicators are calculated with reference to the base year 2005 using the new Ateco 2007 classification (Italian edition of Nace Rev. 2).

In the fourth quarter 2009 the seasonally adjusted index of gross wages per full time equivalent (fte) increased by 0.6% compared to the previous quarter (1.0% in industry and 0.5% in services). The unadjusted index rose by 3.4% compared to the fourth quarter 2008 (3.7% in industry and 3.0% in services). The average percentage change of 2009 compared to the previous year was 2.5% (3.0% in industry and 1.8% in services).

Quarterly indicators of gross wages, other labour costs and total labour cost per employee (full time equivalent - fte) (base 2005=100). IV quarter 2009

	Seasonally adjusted data		Unadjusted data		
	Index	Percentage change	Index	Percentage change	
	IV 2009	IV 2009 III 2009	IV 2009	IV 2009 IV 2008	Year 2009 Year 2008
<b>Industry (a)</b>					
- Average gross wages per employee (fte)	116.2	1.0	133.7	3.7	3.0
- Average other labour costs per employee (fte)	115.5	1.8	131.9	4.5	3.2
- Average labour cost per employee (fte)	116.0	1.0	133.2	4.0	3.1
<b>Services (b)</b>					
- Average gross wages per employee (fte)	111.3	0.5	126.2	3.0	1.8
- Average other labour costs per employee (fte)	110.6	0.7	125.4	3.2	2.0
- Average labour cost per employee (fte)	111.1	0.5	126.0	3.0	1.8
<b>Total</b>					
- Average gross wages per employee (fte)	113.5	0.6	129.9	3.4	2.5
- Average other labour costs per employee (fte)	112.1	0.8	128.2	3.7	2.4
- Average labour cost per employee (fte)	113.1	0.6	129.4	3.4	2.5

Preliminary estimates

(a) Including mining, manufacturing, electricity, gas and water supply, construction (sections B-F of NACE rev.2 classification of economic activities).

(b) Private services excluding health, education and non-market services (sections G-N of NACE rev.2 classification of economic activities).

For more details please refer to the Italian version

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