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Average weekly earnings in Great Britain: February 2023

Estimates of growth in earnings for employees before tax and other deductions from pay.

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2 . Main points for October to December 2022

- Growth in average total pay (including bonuses) was 5.9% and growth in regular pay (excluding bonuses) was 6.7% among employees in October to December 2022; for regular pay this is the strongest growth rate seen outside of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic period.

- Total pay growth is now smaller than regular pay growth because of bonuses; the December 2022 bonus has remained at a similar level, however, December 2021 saw a higher than normal December bonus paid for this month, driven by the finance and business services sector, meaning the latest total pay growth is smaller than the growth we have seen in previous months.

- Growth in total and regular pay fell in real terms (adjusted for inflation) on the year in October to December 2022, by 3.1% for total pay and 2.5% for regular pay; this is smaller than the record fall in real total pay in February to April 2009 (4.5%), but still remains among the largest falls in growth since comparable records began in 2001.

- Average regular pay growth for the private sector was 7.3% in October to December 2022, and 4.2% for the public sector; this is the largest growth rate seen for the private sector outside of the height of the coronavirus pandemic period.

- The finance and business services sector saw the largest regular growth rate at 7.4%, followed by the construction sector at 6.1%.

The estimates in this bulletin come from a survey of businesses. It is not possible to survey every business each month, so these statistics are estimates based on a sample, not precise figures.

3 . Analysis of average weekly earnings (AWE)

Figure 1: Average weekly earnings for total pay was £630 and for regular pay was £588 in December 2022, showing a steady increase over time (except for early on in the coronavirus pandemic)

Average weekly earnings in Great Britain, seasonally adjusted, January 2000 to December 2022

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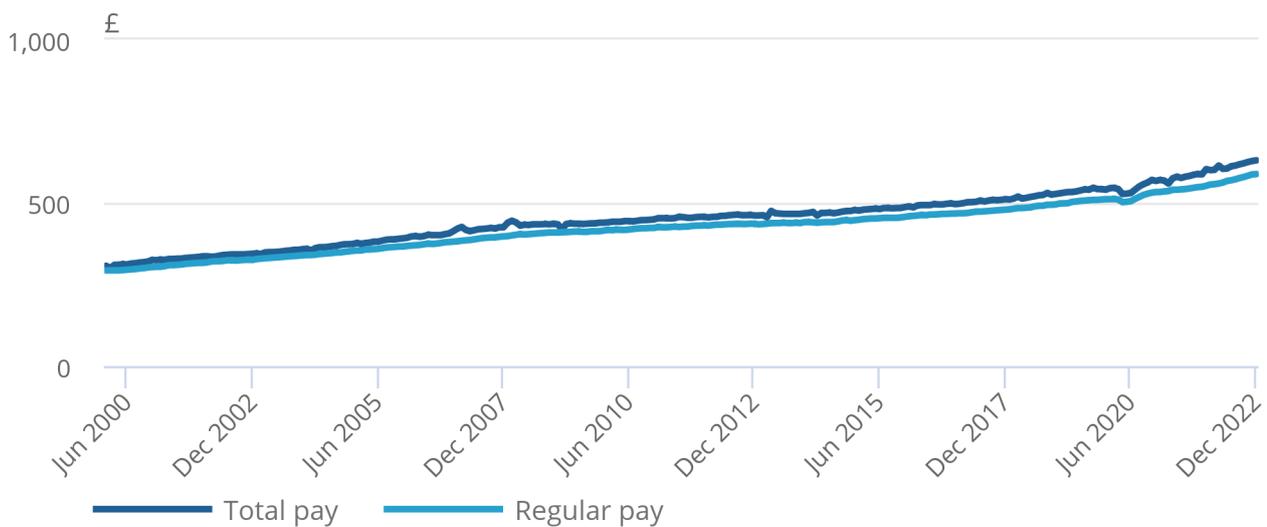
Source: Office for National Statistics – Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey

Average weekly earnings were estimated at £630 for total pay and £588 for regular pay in December 2022. Figure 1 shows that average weekly earnings have steadily increased, with the exception of the early months of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Figure 2: Both real total and regular pay fell on the year

Average weekly earnings annual growth rates in Great Britain, seasonally adjusted, January to March 2001 to October to December 2022

Source: Office for National Statistics – Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey

Growth in average total pay (including bonuses) was 5.9% and growth in regular pay (excluding bonuses) was 6.7% among employees in October to December 2022. For regular pay this is the strongest growth rate seen outside of the coronavirus pandemic period.

Total pay growth is now smaller than regular pay growth because of bonuses. Looking at the non-seasonally adjusted data, March is the peak month for bonus payments. However, December 2021 saw a higher than normal December bonus paid for this month, which was driven by the finance and business services sector. This reflected in the seasonally adjusted bonus payments, with December 2021 showing the highest bonus payment on record.

Bonus payments in December 2022 remained at a similar level to what we have seen over the last 12 months. Therefore, the fall on the year in December's bonus payment caused a smaller total pay growth than the growth we have seen in previous months.

In real terms (adjusted for inflation), in October to December 2022, total pay fell by 3.1% on the year. A larger fall was last seen in February to April 2009, when it fell by 4.5% on the year. Regular pay fell by 2.5% on the year; this is slightly smaller than the record fall in April to June 2022 (3.0%), but still remains among the largest falls we have seen since comparable records began in 2001.

Figure 3: Inflation has been increasing, causing real pay growth rates to decrease

Real average weekly earnings single-month annual growth rates in Great Britain, seasonally adjusted, and CPIH annual rate, January 2001 to December 2022
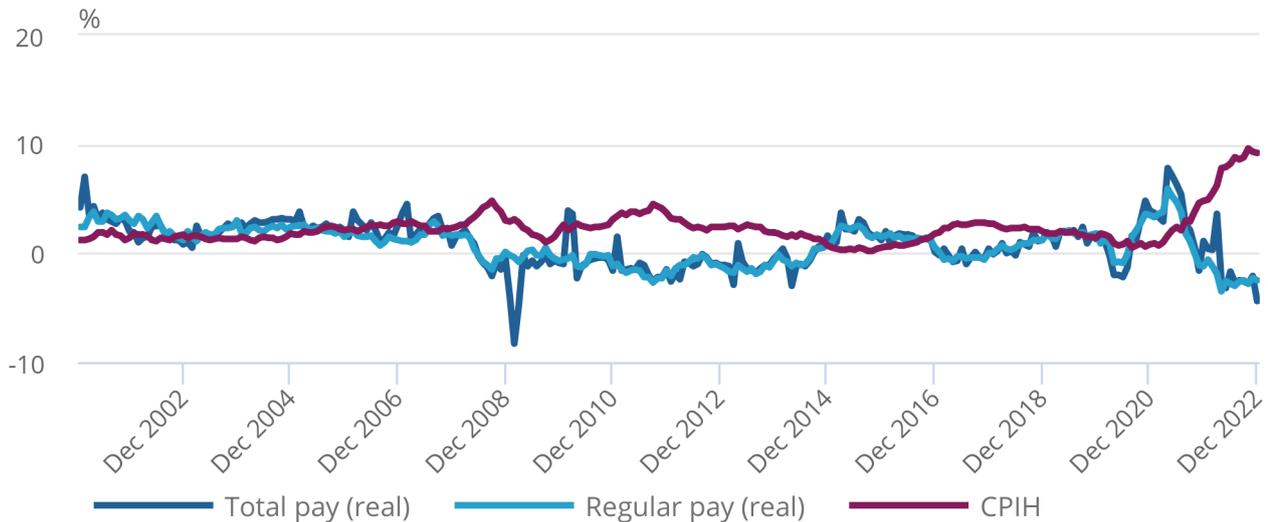
Source: Office for National Statistics – Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey, Consumer price inflation

The difference between nominal and real growth rates is because of an increasing Consumer Prices Index including owner occupiers' housing costs (CPIH). For the three months of October to December 2022, CPIH was an average of 9.4%. Figure 3 shows a comparison of monthly real total and regular pay growth rates and monthly inflation.

Our recommended measure of inflation is CPIH. However, we also publish supplementary real earnings tables using the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) excluding owner occupiers' housing costs. Using CPI real earnings, in October to December 2022, total pay fell by 4.3% on the year. A larger fall on the year was last seen in February to April 2009 when it fell by 4.5%. Regular pay fell by 3.6% on the year. This is slightly smaller than the record fall we saw in April to June 2022 (4.1%), but still remains among the largest falls we have seen since comparable records began in 2001.

The Earnings and employment from Pay As You Earn Real Time Information, UK bulletin also provides additional insights into the estimate of growth in median and mean pay, and the two data sources generally trend well for mean total pay. A more timely estimate of median pay is also provided but is subject to revisions.

Sector and industry

Figure 4: For the latest period the large difference between the private and public sector remains, however it is not as large as previous months

Average weekly earnings annual growth rates for total pay (including bonuses) and regular pay by public/private sector in Great Britain, seasonally adjusted, January to March 2001 to October to December 2022

Figure 4: For the latest period the large difference between the private and public sector remains, however it is not as large as previous months

Average weekly earnings annual growth rates for total pay (including bonuses) and regular pay by public/private sector in Great Britain, seasonally adjusted, January to March 2001 to October to December 2022

Source: Office for National Statistics – Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey

Average regular pay growth was 7.3% for the private sector in October to December 2022, and 4.2% for the public sector; this is the largest growth rate seen for the private sector outside the coronavirus pandemic period. For October to December 2022, the large difference between the private and public sector remains, but it is not as large as previous months.

Figure 5: In the latest period the finance and business services sector saw the largest regular growth rate

Average weekly earnings annual growth rates for regular pay by sector in Great Britain, seasonally adjusted, November to January 2018 to October to December 2022

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Average weekly earnings annual growth rates for regular pay by sector in Great Britain, seasonally adjusted, November to January 2018 to October to December 2022
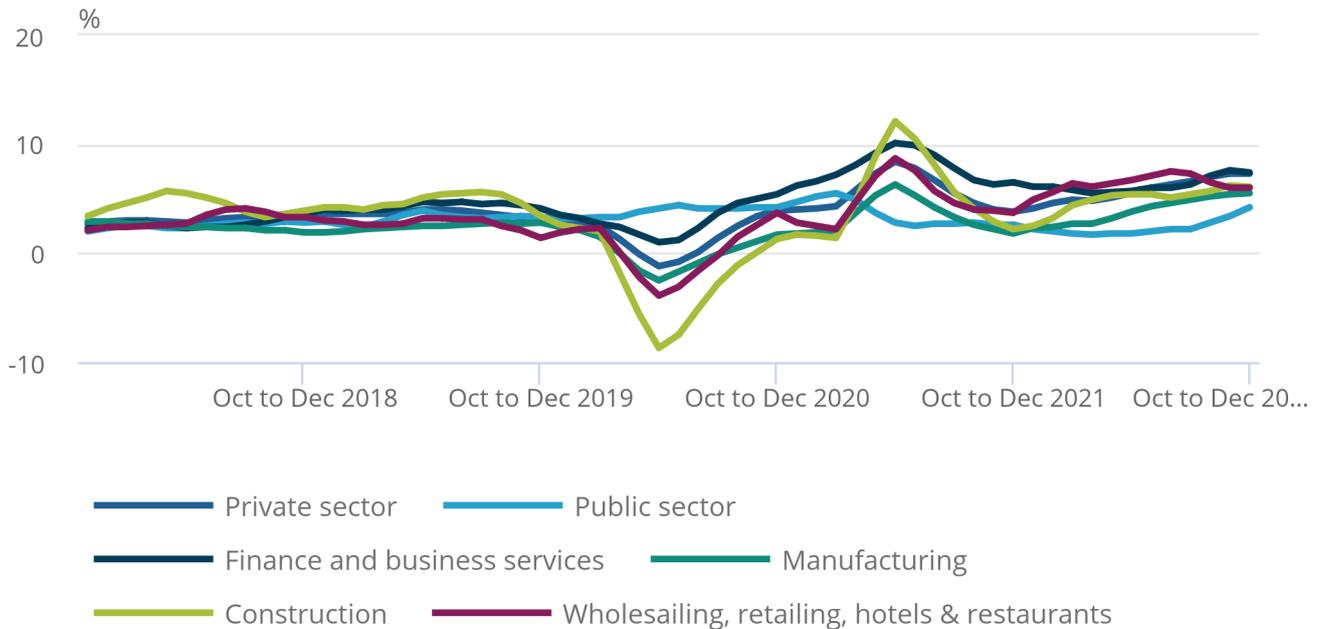
Source: Office for National Statistics – Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey

In October to December 2022, the finance and business services sector saw the largest regular growth rate at 7.4%, followed by the construction sector at 6.1% (Figure 5). However, when looking at the sector's growth for total pay, a different pattern is seen, with the finance and business services sector having one of the smallest growth rates at 4.6%. This is because the bonus payment made in December 2022 for this sector was smaller than the bonus payment made in December 2021, when a higher than normal December bonus was paid for this month.

Interpreting average earnings - base and compositional effects

Interpreting average earnings data over the last year has been difficult. Our How COVID-19 has impacted the Average Weekly Earnings data blog post explains the complexities of interpreting these data. There were temporary factors that we refer to as base and compositional effects.

The base effect refers to comparing two periods with different circumstances. Throughout the coronavirus pandemic, different scenarios have affected the base effect. More information on base effects can be found in our Average weekly earnings in Great Britain: May 2022 bulletin.

The compositional effect means pay growth has been affected by a changing composition of employee jobs, which during the coronavirus pandemic had increased average pay. It needs to be considered when interpreting average pay growth, as explained in Section 6: Measuring the data. The latest data show that the composition effect is now at more normal levels, and we are no longer seeing the excessive levels we saw during periods of the coronavirus pandemic in 2020 and 2021. Our How furlough and changes in the employee workforce have affected earnings growth during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, UK: 2020 to 2021 article looks in more detail at the impact of compositional effects on wage growth.

More about economy, business and jobs

- All ONS analysis, summarised in our economy, business and jobs roundup.
- Explore the latest trends in employment, prices and trade in our economic dashboard.
- View all economic data.

4 . Average weekly earnings data

Average weekly earnings
Dataset EARN01 | Released 14 February 2023
Headline estimates of earnings growth in Great Britain (seasonally adjusted).

Average weekly earnings by sector
Dataset EARN02 | Released 14 February 2023
Estimates of earnings in Great Britain broken down to show the effects of changes in wages and the effects of changes in the composition of employment (not seasonally adjusted).

Average weekly earnings by industry
Dataset EARN03 | Released 14 February 2023
Estimates of earnings in Great Britain broken down by detailed industrial sector (not seasonally adjusted).

X09: Real Average weekly earnings using Consumer price inflation
Dataset X09 | Released 14 February 2023
Average weekly earnings for the whole economy, for both total and regular pay, in real terms (adjusted for consumer price inflation).

5 . Glossary

Average Weekly Earnings (AWE)

Average Weekly Earnings (AWE) is the lead monthly measure of average weekly earnings per employee. It is calculated using information based on the Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey (MWSS), which samples around 9,000 employers in Great Britain.

The estimates are not just a measure of pay rises. They do not, for example, adjust for changes in the proportion of the workforce who work full time or part time, or other compositional changes within the workforce. The estimates do not include earnings of self-employed people.

Estimates are available for both total pay (which includes bonus payments) and regular pay (which excludes bonus payments). Estimates are available in both nominal terms (not adjusted for inflation) and real terms (adjusted for inflation).

Estimates of pay growth are also published using HM Revenue and Customs' (HMRC) data in the Earnings and employment from Pay As You Earn Real Time Information, UK bulletin.

The HMRC estimates are presented in median pay terms, but they also include mean pay, as does AWE. There are some differences between the sources, most notably that the HMRC estimates include any redundancy payments that are made through payroll. Further detail is provided in our Comparison of labour market data sources methodology.

Bonus

A bonus is a form of reward or recognition granted by an employer. When an employee receives a bonus payment, there is no expectation or assumption that the bonus will be used to cover any specific expense. The value and timing of a bonus payment can be at the discretion of the employer or stipulated in workplace agreements.

Consumer Prices Index including owner occupiers' housing costs

As of 21 March 2017, the Consumer Prices Index including owner occupiers' housing costs (CPIH) became our lead measure of inflation. It is our most comprehensive measure of UK consumer price inflation.

Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey

The Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey (MWSS) is a survey through which we collect information on wages and salaries. It is distributed monthly to around 9,000 employers, covering around 12.8 million employees.

A more detailed glossary is available.

6 . Measuring the data

This section provides more detail around the methodology of the survey. Further information on this is available in our Average weekly earnings quality and methodology information (QMI).

The survey response rate was 82%. This was slightly lower than the 83% target in the months before the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Real earnings

The real Average Weekly Earnings (AWE) is calculated as the non-seasonally adjusted AWE (shown in our accompanying dataset EARN02) divided by the Consumer Prices Index including owner occupiers' housing costs (CPIH), which is our preferred measure of consumer price inflation (series identifier L522). The ratio is then referenced as an index with 2015 equals 100, and seasonally adjusted.

We also publish a dataset on real average weekly earnings, using Consumer Price Inflation (CPI) for the whole economy, for both total and regular pay (X09). Our recommended measure of consumer price inflation is CPIH, and our headline estimates using this measure are found in our accompanying dataset EARN01. These data have been compiled using the CPI as a supplementary dataset to view alongside the headline estimates produced using the CPIH.

Arrears payment

Pay award arrears are collected separately on the questionnaire; this specifically covers earnings arising from a backdated pay increase, not late payment of overtime or bonuses. Arrears payments are reflected in estimates at the time they were paid, and not in the period they are awarded for, therefore backseries do not get revised. The AWE headline estimates exclude arrear payments.

Seasonal adjustment

Total pay, bonus pay and regular pay (excluding bonuses) for each sector (a total of 27 series) are seasonally adjusted using X13-ARIMA. Percentage changes are then derived from the seasonally adjusted average pay series.

Each of the 27 series is seasonally adjusted separately, to ensure the optimum seasonal adjustment of each series. The result of this is that relationships that hold in the unadjusted series do not necessarily hold for the seasonally adjusted series. For example, before seasonal adjustment, regular pay plus bonus pay equalled total pay, whereas after seasonal adjustment, they are not necessarily equal.

When there is an exceptionally large change in the series, this can lead to larger differences between regular pay plus bonus pay, and total pay. We saw this in March 2022, when there were very large bonus payments. Consequently, the direct seasonal adjustment method, which allows for evolving seasonality, caused a larger than normal difference. This is supported by other similar instances such as February 2007 and February 2008.

Compositional effect

Following the initial impact of the coronavirus pandemic, the change in pay growth was heavily affected by a changing composition of employee jobs, where we saw a fall in the number and proportion of lower-paid employee jobs. This changing composition naturally increased average pay and should be kept in mind when interpreting average pay growth. Changes in the profile of employee jobs in the economy will affect average pay growth. A decrease in employee numbers in jobs that have lower pay can have an upward effect on average pay, and the other way around.

We recently published an article on How furlough and changes in the employee workforce have affected earnings growth during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, UK: 2020 to 2021. This article looks in more detail at the impact of compositional effects on wage growth.

More information on the compositional effect on the data is available in the Measuring the data section of the Earnings and employment from Pay As You Earn Real Time Information, UK: May 2022 bulletin.

Sampling variability for average weekly earnings single-month growth rates in percentage points is also available in the April 2022 edition of this bulletin.

More information on how labour market data sources are affected by the coronavirus pandemic and the challenges we have faced in producing estimates at this time can be found in our Coronavirus and the effects on UK labour market statistics article.

Our Comparison of labour market data sources methodology discusses some of the main differences between our data sources.

More information on measuring the data is available in our Average weekly earnings in Great Britain: April 2021 bulletin.

Making our published spreadsheets accessible

Following the Government Statistical Service (GSS) guidance on releasing statistics in spreadsheets, we will be amending our published tables over the coming months to improve usability, accessibility and machine readability of our published statistics. To help users change to the new formats, we will be publishing sample versions of a selection of our tables. Where practical, we will initially publish the tables in both the new and current formats. If you have any questions or comments, please email labour.market@ons.gov.uk.

7 . Strengths and limitations

Information on the strengths and limitations of this bulletin is available in:

- our [Average weekly earnings in Great Britain: April 2021 bulletin](#)

- our [A guide to labour market statistics methodology](#)

- our [Income and earnings statistics guide methodology](#)

- the [Government Statistical Service Income and earnings interactive dashboard](#)

8 . Related links

[Employee earnings in the UK: 2022](#)
Bulletin | Released 26 October 2022
Measures of employee earnings, using data from the Annual Survey for Hours and Earnings (ASHE).

[Low and high pay in the UK: 2022](#)
Bulletin | Released 26 October 2022
The distribution of hourly earnings of high-paid jobs, low-paid jobs and jobs paid below the National Minimum Wage.

[Gender pay gap in the UK: 2022](#)
Bulletin | Released 26 October 2022
Differences in pay between men and women by age, region, full time and part time, and occupation.

[Comparison of labour market data sources](#)
Methodology | Last revised 27 April 2022
The strengths and weaknesses of the main data sources we use to produce the labour market figures, including the advantages of new administrative data sources and limitations of some of our published figures.

[Index of Labour Costs per Hour, UK: July to September 2020](#)
Bulletin | Released 15 December 2020
Changes in the costs of employing labour, analysed by sector and industry. Experimental Statistics.

9 . Cite this statistical bulletin

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The complete set of labour market tables is available from the Labour Market Overview bulletin.

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4	Public and private sector employment	Dataset EMP02
4(1)	Public sector employment by industry	Dataset EMP03
5	Workforce jobs summary	Dataset JOBS01
6 (**)	Workforce jobs by industry	Dataset JOBS02
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23	Regional labour market summary	Dataset A07

(*) Tables 2 and 10 in the Statistical Bulletin pdf file have been amalgamated into one spreadsheet (Dataset A05 SA).
(**) Table JOBS02 provides more detail than Table 6 in the Statistical Bulletin pdf file.

The following symbols are used in the tables: p provisional, r revised, .. Not available,* suppressed due to small sample size.
The four-character identification codes appearing in the tables are the ONS references for the data series appearing in the Labour Market Statistics dataset which is available on the website at:
https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/employmentandemployeetypes/datasets/labourmarketstatistics

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13 Average Weekly Earnings (nominal) - total pay[1]

Standard Industrial Classification (2007)   Great Britain, seasonally adjusted

	Whole Economy (100%)[2]				Private sector (82%)[2]				Public sector (18%)[2]		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]
	KAB9	KAC2	KAC3		KAC4	KAC5	KAC6		KAC7	KAC8	KAC9
Dec 20	567	5.0	4.6		565	4.6	4.5		574	4.5	4.4
Oct 21 (r)	588	4.5	5.1		588	5.0	5.7		585	2.7	2.7
Nov 21 (r)	587	3.0	4.2		588	3.4	4.7		585	2.1	2.4
Dec 21 (r)	603	6.3	4.6		606	7.2	5.2		587	2.2	2.4
Jan 22	600	5.2	4.8		602	6.0	5.5		589	1.9	2.1 (r)
Feb 22	601	5.8	5.8 (r)		604	6.8	6.7 (r)		590	1.3	1.8 (r)
Mar 22	614	9.9	7.0		618	11.5	8.1		590	1.5	1.6
Apr 22	604	5.0	6.9		607	5.8	8.0		590	1.6	1.5
May 22	605	4.4	6.4		607	5.0	7.4		591	1.4	1.5
Jun 22	612	6.3	5.2		617	7.3	6.0		594	2.3	1.8
Jul 22	614	5.9	5.5		619	6.6	6.3		594	2.3	2.0
Aug 22	618	6.1	6.1		623	6.7	6.9		598	2.7	2.4
Sep 22	621	6.1	6.0		627	7.1	6.8		598	2.2	2.4
Oct 22 (r)	625	6.3	6.2		629	7.0	6.9		608	3.9	2.9
Nov 22 (r)	628	7.0	6.5		633	7.6	7.2		610	4.3	3.5
Dec 22 (p)	630	4.5	5.9		633	4.6	6.4		613	4.5	4.2

	Services, SIC 2007 sections G-S (86%)[2]				Finance and business services, SIC 2007 sections K-N (22%)[2]				Public sector excluding financial services (18%)[2]		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]
	K5BZ	K5C2	K5C3		K5C4	K5C5	K5C6		KAD8	KAD9	KAE2
Dec 20	555	5.7	5.3		739	6.6	6.6		570	4.5	4.4
Oct 21 (r)	576	4.9	5.4		790	7.5	8.0		581	2.9	2.8
Nov 21 (r)	574	3.1	4.4		781	4.3	6.6		582	2.2	2.5
Dec 21 (r)	592	6.8	4.9		845	14.3	8.7		584	2.4	2.5
Jan 22	588	5.5	5.1 (r)		808	6.6	8.4 (r)		586	2.0	2.2 (r)
Feb 22	589	6.2	6.2 (r)		807	10.6	10.5 (r)		587	1.4	1.9 (r)
Mar 22	602	10.2	7.3		828	14.3	10.5		588	1.7	1.7
Apr 22	594	4.9	7.1		814	6.6	10.4		586	1.4	1.5
May 22	593	4.2	6.4		805	4.1	8.2		587	1.4	1.5
Jun 22	598	6.9	5.3		832	9.0	6.5		589	1.8	1.5
Jul 22	602	6.0	5.7		824	5.8	6.2		590	2.2	1.8
Aug 22	607	6.2	6.4		833	6.3	7.0		594	2.7	2.2
Sep 22	609	6.3	6.2		838	6.7	6.2		593	2.1	2.3
Oct 22 (r)	613	6.4	6.3		839	6.2	6.4		604	3.9	2.9
Nov 22 (r)	616	7.3	6.7		845	8.2	7.0		607	4.3	3.5
Dec 22 (p)	**618**	**4.4**	**6.0**		**842**	**-0.4**	**4.6**		**610**	**4.5**	**4.3**

	Manufacturing, SIC 2007 section C (8%)[2]				Construction, SIC 2007 section F (5%)[2]				Wholesaling, retailing, hotels & restaurants, SIC 2007 sections G & I (23%)[2]		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]
	K5CA	K5CB	K5CC		K5CD	K5CE	K5CF		K5CG	K5CH	K5CI
Dec 20	629	1.6	1.6		678	5.1	2.1		375	4.1	4.1
Oct 21 (r)	641	2.6	2.9		674	3.8	5.8		390	4.3	5.0
Nov 21 (r)	645	1.3	2.3		681	3.8	4.7		394	5.2	5.0
Dec 21 (r)	655	4.0	2.7		681	0.4	2.6		393	4.8	4.8
Jan 22	652	3.3	2.9		694	5.0	3.0		404	8.3	6.1
Feb 22	645	1.8	3.1		693	6.3	3.8		396	6.3	6.5
Mar 22	673	7.8	4.3		713	10.4	7.2		410	11.4	8.7
Apr 22	656	3.7	4.4		701	5.7	7.4		407	8.4	8.7
May 22	661	4.2	5.2		719	8.5	8.2		398	4.7	8.1
Jun 22	664	4.2	4.0		705	4.5	6.2		420	9.9	7.6
Jul 22	669	4.1	4.2		709	5.8	6.3		412	7.3	7.3
Aug 22	672	5.1	4.5		712	4.6	5.0		414	7.6	8.3
Sep 22	677	5.9	5.0		713	5.4	5.3		411	5.9	6.9
Oct 22	680	6.1	5.7		717	6.3	5.4		412	5.6	6.4
Nov 22 (r)	683	5.9	6.0		715	4.9	5.5		414	5.1	5.6
Dec 22 (p)	**688**	**5.0**	**5.7**		**717**	**5.2**	**5.5**		**421**	**7.0**	**5.9**

1. Estimates of total pay include bonuses but exclude arrears of pay.

2. The figure in brackets is the percentage of whole economy employment in that sector or industry for the latest time period.

3. The three month average figures are the changes in the average seasonally adjusted values for the three months ending with the relevant month compared with the same period a year earlier.

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14 Average Weekly Earnings (nominal) - bonus pay

Standard Industrial Classification (2007) Great Britain, seasonally adjusted

	Whole Economy (100%)[1]			Private sector (82%)[1]			Public sector (18%)[1]		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average[2]		Single month	3 month average[2]		Single month	3 month average[2]
	KAF4	KAF5	KAF6	KAF7	KAF8	KAF9	KAG2	KAG3	KAG4
Dec 20	35	14.7	15.2	41	14.0	14.9	3	99.0	132.2
Oct 21 (r)	41	21.1	23.3	49	20.7	23.9	2	-7.2	7.0
Nov 21 (r)	40	2.2	15.3	49	4.7	16.4	2	-71.9	-38.7
Dec 21 (r)	50	44.8	21.8	61	47.1	23.3	2	-28.9	-46.7
Jan 22	42	16.8	20.4 (r)	51	16.6	21.9 (r)	3	87.4	-35.9
Feb 22	42	28.5	29.9 (r)	51	29.3	30.8 (r)	2	-52.6	-21.6 (r)
Mar 22	45	45.0	29.4	54	45.2	29.6	2	-22.4	-19.3
Apr 22	42	18.6	30.1	52	18.2	30.2	1	-32.2	-39.9
May 22	37	-8.8	15.8	45	-7.7	16.2	2	-59.5	-43.0
Jun 22	45	27.0	11.3	55	26.4	11.6	2	38.3	-32.4
Jul 22	42	13.3	9.7	52	11.6	9.5	2	31.0	-18.2
Aug 22	44	10.5	16.6	53	9.8	15.6	3	109.9	55.1
Sep 22	43	5.6	9.7	52	5.5	8.9	4	101.7	79.8
Oct 22 (r)	42	3.4	6.5	51	3.4	6.2	3	17.0	71.1
Nov 22 (r)	44	10.0	6.3	54	8.7	5.9	3	85.6	66.5
Dec 22 (p)	**43**	**-15.2**	**-1.7**	**51**	**-15.2**	**-2.0**	**2**	**-17.3**	**23.7**

	Services, SIC 2007 sections G-S (86%)[1]			Finance and business services, SIC 2007 sections K-N (22%)[1]			Public sector excluding financial services (18%)[1]		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average[2]		Single month	3 month average[2]		Single month	3 month average[2]
	K5CS	K5CT	K5CU	K5CV	K5CW	K5CX	KAH3	KAH4	KAH5
Dec 20	36	15.3	15.7	87	14.5	24.8	2	78.9	111.8
Oct 21 (r)	42	19.1	21.3	106	18.0	26.0	1	-7.0	-0.3
Nov 21 (r)	41	1.9	13.4	99	-8.7	11.1	1	-71.1	-40.5
Dec 21 (r)	53	48.1	22.1	144	66.9	22.6	1	-31.6	-46.4
Jan 22	43	16.2	21.1 (r)	102	12.8	21.0 (r)	2	86.8	-37.1 (r)
Feb 22	43	28.3	30.7 (r)	100	37.2	38.6 (r)	2	-75.0	-49.7 (r)
Mar 22	45	44.9	29.0	105	42.7	29.6	1	-31.8	-50.3
Apr 22	44	17.5	29.4	106	9.5	27.8	1	-30.4	-60.4
May 22	36	-15.7	12.4	87	-19.8	6.9	1	-60.2	-44.6
Jun 22	48	31.8	9.7	118	39.9	7.4	1	-13.0	-39.6
Jul 22	44	13.3	8.4	106	10.2	7.6	2	35.1	-25.6
Aug 22	45	9.6	17.7	105	4.8	17.2	2	118.9	34.0
Sep 22	44	6.2	9.6	100	-3.4	3.7	2	93.1	78.8
Oct 22 (r)	43	1.9	5.9	94	-10.9	-3.3	2	20.0	70.6
Nov 22 (r)	46	10.7	6.2	110	10.6	-1.5	2	77.0	60.9
Dec 22 (p)	**43**	**-17.4**	**-2.9**	**99**	**-31.8**	**-13.4**	**1**	**-15.3**	**22.9**

	Manufacturing, SIC 2007 section C (8%)[1]			Construction, SIC 2007 section F (5%)[1]			Wholesaling, retailing, hotels & restaurants, SIC 2007 sections G & I (23%)[2]		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average[2]		Single month	3 month average[2]		Single month	3 month average[2]
	K5D3	K5D4	K5D5	K5D6	K5D7	K5D8	K5D9	K5DA	K5DB
Dec 20	23	-9.9	1.2	40	46.7	16.2	23	8.3	11.5
Oct 21 (r)	27	46.2	13.0	35	29.0	58.1	26	12.2	24.0
Nov 21 (r)	29	-20.1	0.9	41	37.3	47.3	29	25.0	22.3
Dec 21 (r)	35	52.0	17.1	37	-7.0	16.7	27	19.6	18.9
Jan 22	28	8.4	8.1 (r)	45	30.5	18.1 (r)	29	23.4	22.7 (r)
Feb 22	25	-9.8	14.9 (r)	43	58.3	23.1 (r)	25	15.8	19.7 (r)
Mar 22	36	45.0	13.6	49	78.1	53.6	33	58.6	31.9
Apr 22	29	14.1	15.4	35	13.4	48.2	32	33.3	35.4
May 22	30	18.8	25.8	52	83.9	56.6	21	-19.7	20.9
Jun 22	29	2.7	11.5	39	-9.2	23.3	43	49.1	21.4
Jul 22	34	-8.1	2.9	37	15.8	24.0	31	2.7	11.4
Aug 22	32	25.4	4.8	43	6.7	3.3	28	3.0	18.3
Sep 22	33	46.3	16.6	37	-5.1	5.2	27	-2.0	1.3
Oct 22 (r)	34	23.9	31.1	37	4.7	2.1	28	7.2	2.7
Nov 22 (r)	35	23.1	30.1	38	-8.2	-3.2	27	-7.4	-1.0
Dec 22 (p)	**35**	**0.4**	**14.6**	**36**	**-3.9**	**-2.8**	**31**	**15.4**	**4.7**

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey
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1. The figure in brackets is the percentage of whole economy employment in that sector or industry for the latest time period.
2. The three month average figures are the changes in the average seasonally adjusted values for the three months ending with the relevant month compared with the same period a year earlier.

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15 Average Weekly Earnings (nominal) - regular pay[1]

Standard Industrial Classification (2007)   Great Britain, seasonally adjusted

	Whole Economy (100%)[2]				Private sector (82%)[2]				Public sector (18%)[2]		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]
	KAI7	KAI8	KAI9		KAJ2	KAJ3	KAJ4		KAJ5	KAJ6	KAJ7
Dec 20	533	4.3	4.0		524	4.2	3.9		571	4.4	4.2
Oct 21 (r)	548	3.7	4.3		539	4.0	4.6		583	2.9	2.8
Nov 21 (r)	549	3.4	3.8		541	3.6	4.0		584	2.4	2.6
Dec 21 (r)	552	3.6	3.6		545	3.9	3.8		585	2.4	2.6
Jan 22	556	4.3	3.7 (r)		549	5.0	4.1 (r)		588	1.8	2.2 (r)
Feb 22	557	4.2	4.0 (r)		550	4.8	4.6		589	1.8	2.0 (r)
Mar 22	559	4.3	4.2		553	4.9	4.9		589	1.8	1.8
Apr 22	562	4.0	4.2		556	4.7	4.8		589	1.6	1.7
May 22	567	5.0	4.4		562	5.8	5.1		590	1.9	1.8
Jun 22	569	5.1	4.7		564	5.9	5.5		590	1.9	1.8
Jul 22	572	5.5	5.2		568	6.3	6.0		591	2.2	2.0
Aug 22	576	5.8	5.5		571	6.6	6.3		594	2.4	2.2
Sep 22	579	6.0	5.8		575	7.0	6.6		594	2.0	2.2
Oct 22 (r)	583	6.6	6.1		578	7.2	7.0		606	3.8	2.8
Nov 22 (r)	587	6.9	6.5		582	7.6	7.3		609	4.2	3.4
Dec 22 (p)	**588**	**6.6**	**6.7**		**583**	**7.1**	**7.3**		**612**	**4.7**	**4.2**

	Services, SIC 2007 sections G-S (86%)[2]				Finance and business services, SIC 2007 sections K-N (22%)[2]				Public sector excluding financial services (18%)[2]		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]
	K5DL	K5DM	K5DN		K5DO	K5DP	K5DQ		KAK6	KAK7	KAK8
Dec 20	519	4.8	4.6		654	5.7	5.4		568	4.4	4.2
Oct 21 (r)	535	4.1	4.6		689	6.4	6.7		581	3.0	2.8
Nov 21	537	3.7	4.1 (r)		691	6.0	6.3		581	2.4	2.6
Dec 21 (r)	540	4.1	4.0		699	6.9	6.5		582	2.5	2.6
Jan 22	543	4.5	4.1		697	5.4	6.1		585	1.9	2.3
Feb 22	544	4.4	4.3 (r)		700	6.0	6.1		586	1.8	2.0 (r)
Mar 22	546	4.5	4.5		703	6.0	5.8		586	1.8	1.8
Apr 22	548	4.2	4.4		708	4.5	5.5		585	1.5	1.7
May 22	554	5.2	4.6		718	6.4	5.6		587	1.9	1.7
Jun 22	555	5.3	4.9		721	6.3	5.7		587	1.9	1.8
Jul 22	559	5.6	5.4		720	5.2	6.0		588	2.1	2.0
Aug 22	563	6.1	5.7		731	6.3	6.0		591	2.4	2.1
Sep 22	566	6.2	6.0		737	7.5	6.3		591	2.0	2.2
Oct 22	571	6.7	6.3		742	7.6	7.1		603 (r)	3.8	2.7
Nov 22 (r)	576	7.2	6.7		745	7.8	7.6		605	4.2	3.4
Dec 22 (p)	**577**	**6.8**	**6.9**		**747**	**6.8**	**7.4**		**609**	**4.6**	**4.2**

	Manufacturing, SIC 2007 section C (8%)[2]				Construction, SIC 2007 section F (5%)[2]				Wholesaling, retailing, hotels & restaurants, SIC 2007 sections G & I (23%)[2]		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year			Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]			Single month	3 month average[3]
	K5DU	K5DV	K5DW		K5DX	K5DY	K5DZ		K5E2	K5E3	K5E4
Dec 20	608	2.3	1.7		633	2.8	1.3		353	3.9	3.7
Oct 21 (r)	613	1.8	2.6		641	3.0	4.1		363	3.6	4.0
Nov 21	616	1.9	2.2		640	2.4	2.9		365	3.9 (r)	3.9
Dec 21 (r)	619	1.7	1.8		641	1.3	2.2		366	3.6	3.7
Jan 22	623	3.2	2.3		652	3.8	2.5 (r)		373	7.3	4.9
Feb 22	619	2.2	2.4		651	4.5	3.2 (r)		371	5.8	5.6
Mar 22	623	2.7	2.7		656	4.9	4.4		373	6.0	6.4
Apr 22	627	3.1	2.7		665	5.3	4.9		376	6.6	6.1
May 22	632	3.8	3.2		669	5.6	5.3		378	6.6	6.4
Jun 22	635	4.3	3.8		668	5.2	5.4		380	7.1	6.7
Jul 22	637	4.7	4.3		672	5.4	5.4		383	7.7	7.1
Aug 22	639	4.7	4.6		673	4.5	5.1		385	7.8	7.5
Sep 22	644	5.2	4.9		677	6.2	5.4		384	6.3	7.3
Oct 22 (r)	648	5.7	5.2		682	6.5	5.7		383	5.5	6.5
Nov 22 (r)	649	5.3	5.4		678	5.8	6.2		387	6.1	6.0
Dec 22 (p)	**653**	**5.4**	**5.5**		**679**	**5.9**	**6.1**		**389**	**6.3**	**6.0**

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

1. Estimates of regular pay exclude bonuses and arrears of pay.
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2. The figure in brackets is the percentage of whole economy employment in that sector or industry for the latest time period.
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3. The three month average figures are the changes in the average seasonally adjusted values for the three months ending with the relevant month compared with the same period a year earlier.

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16 Average Weekly Earnings - real and nominal[1]

Great Britain whole economy, seasonally adjusted

		Total pay (including bonuses)[1]					
		Nominal earnings			Real earnings[3]		
		Nominal Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings at constant 2015 prices (£)	% changes year on year	
			Single month	3 month average[2]		Single month	3 month average[2]
		KAB9	KAC2	KAC3	A3WX	A3WV	A3WW
Dec 20		567	5.0	4.6	521	3.9	3.9
Oct 21	(r)	588	4.5	5.1	521	0.6	1.8
Nov 21	(r)	587	3.0	4.2	517	-1.6	0.4
Dec 21	(r)	603	6.3	4.6	526	1.1	0.0
Jan 22		600	5.2	4.8	523	0.4	0.0 (r)
Feb 22		601	5.8	5.8 (r)	520	0.3	0.6
Mar 22		614	9.9	7.0	528	3.6	1.4
Apr 22		604	5.0	6.9	512	-2.5	0.4
May 22		605	4.4	6.4	507	-3.2	-0.8
Jun 22		612	6.3	5.2	511	-1.7	-2.5
Jul 22		614	5.9	5.5	509	-2.7	-2.5
Aug 22		618	6.1	6.1	509	-2.5	-2.3
Sep 22		621	6.1	6.0	508	-2.6	-2.6
Oct 22	(r)	625	6.3	6.2	506	-2.8	-2.6
Nov 22	(r)	628	7.0	6.5	506	-2.1	-2.5
Dec 22	**(p)**	**630**	**4.5**	**5.9**	**503**	**-4.4**	**-3.1**

		Regular pay (excluding bonuses)					
		Nominal earnings			Real earnings[3]		
		Nominal Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings at constant 2015 prices (£)	% changes year on year	
			Single month	3 month average[2]		Single month	3 month average[2]
		KAI7	KAI8	KAI9	A2FC	A2F9	A2FA
Dec 20		533	4.3	4.0	489	3.5	3.3
Oct 21	(r)	548	3.7	4.3	484	0.0	1.0
Nov 21	(r)	549	3.4	3.8	483	-1.1	0.0
Dec 21	(r)	552	3.6	3.6	483	-1.2	-0.7
Jan 22		556	4.3	3.7 (r)	484	-0.6	-0.9
Feb 22		557	4.2	4.0 (r)	482	-1.2	-1.0
Mar 22		559	4.3	4.2	480	-1.9	-1.2
Apr 22		562	4.0	4.2	474	-3.5	-2.2
May 22		567	5.0	4.4	477	-2.6	-2.6
Jun 22		569	5.1	4.7	475	-2.8	-3.0
Jul 22		572	5.5	5.2	473	-3.0	-2.8
Aug 22		576	5.8	5.5	474	-2.6	-2.8
Sep 22		579	6.0	5.8	474	-2.5	-2.7
Oct 22		583	6.6	6.1	471	-2.8	-2.7 (r)
Nov 22	(r)	587	6.9	6.5	472	-2.3	-2.5
Dec 22	**(p)**	**588**	**6.6**	**6.7**	**471**	**-2.5**	**-2.5**

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1. Estimates of total pay include bonuses but exclude arrears of pay.
2. The three month average figures are the changes in the average seasonally adjusted values for the three months ending with the relevant month compared with the same period a year earlier.
3. Estimates of real earnings are calculated by deflating the nominal earnings estimates by the Consumer Prices Index including owner occupiers' housing costs (CPIH), our preferred measure of consumer price inflation.