

From the reference month of January 2023, the Hungarian Central Statistical Office (HCSO) has been focusing on the whole circle of employers concerning the dissemination of data on earnings statistics

From the reference month of January 2023, the whole circle of employers has got into the focus of dissemination of data on earnings statistics, thus replacing the circle of enterprises employing at least 5 persons, budgetary institutions as well as non-profit organisations that are significant in terms of employment. The narrowing of the scope of employers was justified by the maintenance of data suppliers' burdens at a reasonable level with respect to the smallest enterprises. Since 2019 the most important aspect has been to ensure long time series comparison. By today, a long enough time series is also available for the whole circle of employers, so this circle can get into the focus of data communication.

The difference between the main indicators calculated for the two reference circles is not significant. Between 2019 and 2022, a difference of 2.6 and 3.5% (10 and 19 thousand forints) could be observed concerning average gross earnings.



*Enterprises employing at least 5 persons, all budgetary institutions as well as non-profit organisations that are significant in terms of employment

Change in publications, availability of data:

- Concerning the publications available on the website of the Office, the monthly earnings statistics time series data between the period 2019-2022 have retrospectively been replaced with the data on the whole circle of employers in the static table collection called Stadat. We archived the earlier tables.
- In the publications and other dissemination products published on HCSO website after 28 March 2023, the monthly earnings data are specified for the whole circle of employers, too. In the analyses/yearbooks/publications released before 28 March, the data are not replaced retrospectively.

- Between the period 2018-2019, the change in the scope of reference is indicated with a break in series.
- For longer times series comparability, the main indicators (average gross and net earnings, median gross earnings and staff data) remain available in a mid-year table and an annual table among the Statdat tables concerning population of at least 5 persons, and the data category for the narrowed circle also remains in the Dissemination database.
- In the framework of data supply compiled at individual request, we can still grant our users data produced for a population of at least 5 persons.
- Regarding such quarterly and annual earnings structure indicators whose source is direct data collection carried out among employers (that is, total earned income, earnings data on hours worked, basic salary, wage supplements, regular earnings data in detailed divisional breakdowns, breakdown for level of education), data will still be available only to a population of at least 5 persons as there are no complete administrative data available for (for more details, see: [Statdat Methodology](#)).

Further information is available in the [statistics documentation](#).