

B3: Average Earnings

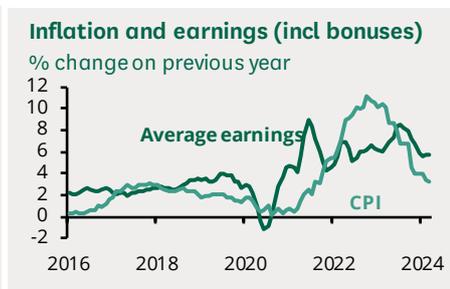
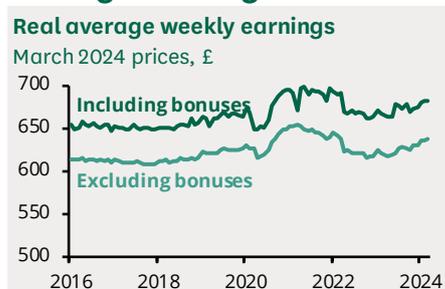
In April 2023 median gross weekly earnings for full-time employees in the UK were £682, up from £642 in April 2022. Adjusted for inflation, median earnings for full-time employees decreased by 2.3%.

Timelier but less detailed data show average weekly earnings for all employees in Great Britain increased by 6.0% excluding bonuses in the three months to March 2024 compared with the previous year. Average weekly pay including bonuses increased by 5.7%.

Inflation as measured by the CPI averaged 3.5% over the same period. After adjusting for inflation, average pay excluding bonuses was 2.4% higher than the previous year and average pay including bonuses was 2.1% higher.

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Trends by Sector

Annual % change in average earnings (incl bonuses)				
Great Britain, employees only				
		Total	Private	Public
2022	Mar	7.0	8.2	1.6
2023	Mar	6.4	6.4	5.6
2024	Jan	5.6	5.7	6.0
2024	Feb	5.7	5.7	6.0
2024	Mar	5.7	5.9	6.2

Note: Annual % change in earnings to three month period ending in given month; data are seasonally adjusted
Source: ONS, Average Weekly Earnings series

Average weekly total pay (including bonuses) rose by 5.9% in the private sector and by 6.2% in the public sector in the three months to March 2024 compared with the year before.

Hourly pay levels



Median hourly earnings (excluding overtime) were £17.40 for full-time employees at April 2023: £18.02 for men working full-time and £16.64 for women. Median hourly earnings (excluding overtime) were £12.07 for part-time employees; £11.83 for men and £12.22 for women. Women are more likely than men to work part-time. The median is the point at which half earn more and half earn less.

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Updates
ONS, [Labour Market Statistics](#), 11 June 2024

ONS, [Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings](#), October 2024