



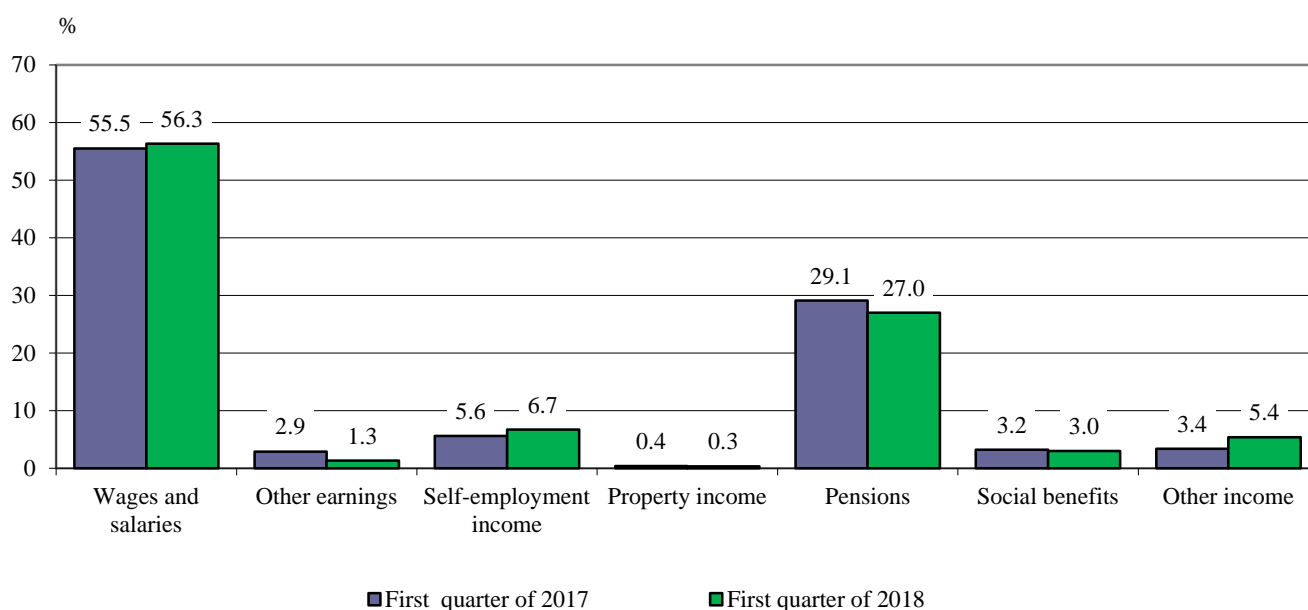
## HOUSEHOLD INCOME, EXPENDITURE AND CONSUMPTION DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2018

### Household Income

The **total income** average per household member during the first quarter of 2018 is 1 407 BGN and increases by 9.8% compared to the same quarter of 2017.

The highest relative share of income within the total income is this from wages and salaries (56.3%). The relative share of income from pensions is 27.0%, from self-employment - 6.7% and from social benefits - 3.0%. The relative share of income from wages and salaries increases by 0.8 percentage points (pp) compared to the first quarter of 2017 and the income from pensions decreases by 2.1 percentage points.

**Figure 1. Structure of the total household income during the first quarter of 2017 and 2018**



The nominal income by source average per capita during the first quarter of 2018 compared to the first quarter of 2017 changes as follows:

- Income from **wages and salaries** increases from 710 BGN to 792 BGN (by 11.5%);
- Income from **pensions** increases from 372 BGN to 380 BGN (by 2.1%);
- **Self-employment** income increases from 72 BGN to 94 BGN (by 30.9%);
- Income from **social benefits** increases from 40 BGN to 41 BGN (by 1.9%).

The relative share of **monetary income** into the total income during the first quarter of 2018 is 99.3% and the share of income in kind is 0.7%.

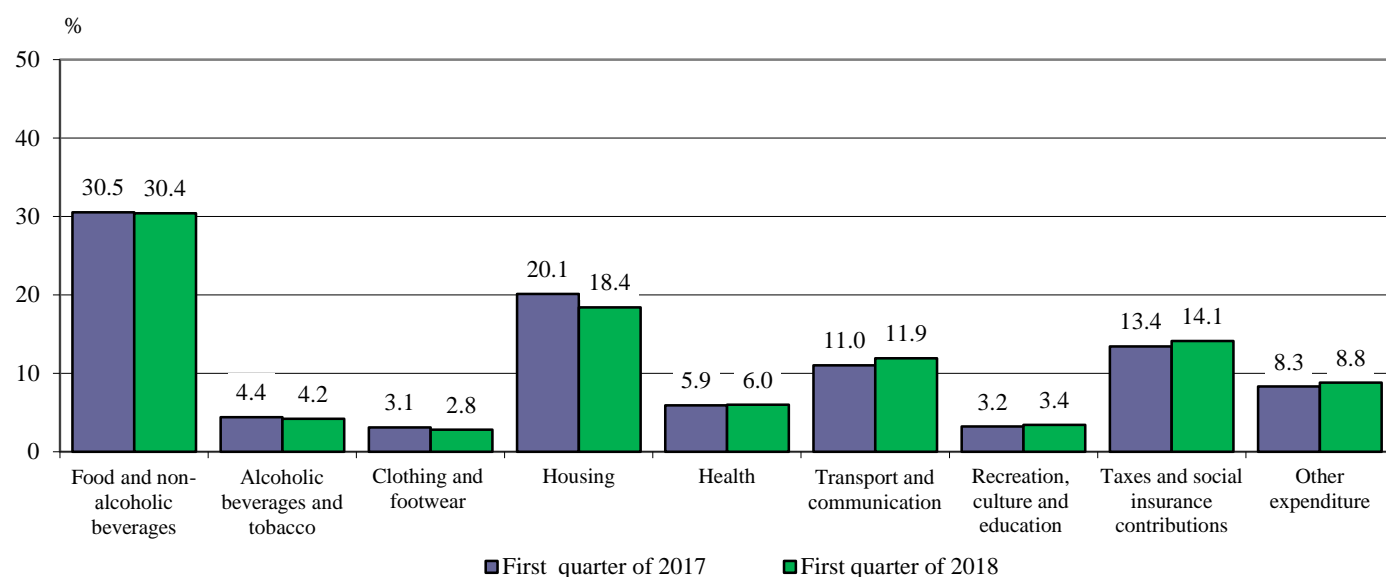


## Household Expenditure

The total expenditure average per household member during the first quarter of 2018 is 1 263 BGN and increases by 11.5% in comparison to the same quarter of 2017.

The greatest share in forming the total expenditure has expenditure on food - 30.4% as well as expenditure on housing - 18.4%, taxes and social insurance contributions - 14.1% and transport and communication - 11.9%.

**Figure 2. Structure of the total household expenditure during the first quarter of 2017 and 2018**



The relative share of expenditure on housing compared to the first quarter of 2017 decreases by 1.7 pp, but increases transport and communication - by 0.9 pp and taxes and social security contributions by 0.7 pp.

The expenditure by group average per capita changes as absolute values during the first quarter of 2018 compared to the same quarter of 2017 as follows:

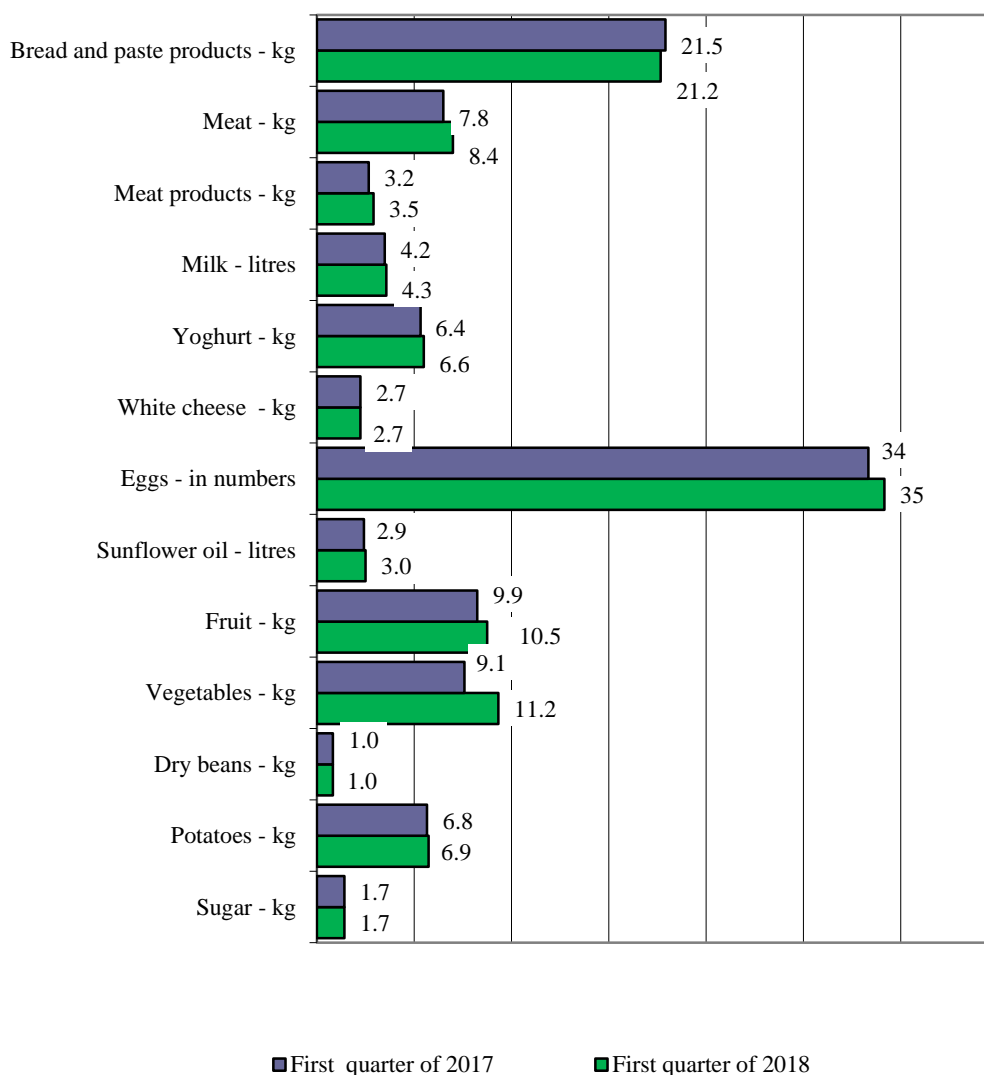
- Expenditure on **food and non-alcoholic beverages** increases from 346 BGN to 384 BGN (by 11.0%);
- Expenditure on **alcoholic beverages and tobacco** increases from 50 BGN to 53 BGN (by 6.5%);
- Expenditure on **housing (water, electricity, heating, furnishing and maintenance of the house)** increases from 228 BGN to 233 BGN (by 2.4%);
- Expenditure on **health** increases from 67 BGN to 75 BGN (by 13.1%);
- Expenditure on **transport and communication** increases from 125 BGN to 150 BGN (by 19.9%);
- Expenditure on **recreation, culture and education** decreases from 36 BGN to 43 BGN (by 17.6%);
- Expenditure on **taxes and social insurance contributions** increases from 152 BGN to 177 BGN (by 16.9%).



## Household Consumption

The consumption of main food products average per household member changes during the first quarter of 2018 compared to the same quarter of 2017. Increase is recorded in the consumption of most of the products. Increased consumption of vegetables: from 9.1 to 11.2 kg; eggs - from 34 to 35 numbers; meat - from 7.8 to 8.4 kg and fruits - from 9.9 to 10.5 kilograms. Decrease consumption of bread and paste products - from 21.5 to 21.2 kilograms. Without change remains the consumption of cheese, dry beans and sugar.

**Figure 3. Consumption of main food products average per household member during the first quarter of 2017 and 2018**





## Methodological notes

The source of data is the quarterly household budget survey. It is sample survey. The sample used for the survey is a random sample.

A regular household are two or more persons who live in one dwelling or part of a dwelling, having their meals together and having a common budget irrespective of the fact whether they are relatives. A household is also one person living alone, having meals separately and having his/her separate budget. Institutional households are not studied by the household budgets survey.

The main indicators for income, expenditure and consumption are estimated quarterly and annual as average values and relative share.

**Household income** in cash and kind includes all receipts of household members from: wages and salaries, pensions, entrepreneurship, unemployment benefits, social benefits, etc. Other regular or irregular transfers from other households and property sale are also included.

**Household expenditure** includes expenditure for food, beverages, tobacco, housing (water, electricity, heating, furnishing and maintenance), transport, communications, health, taxes, social insurance contributions, etc.

**Consumption** average per household member includes the quantities of foods and beverages consumed at home. The catering data are not included.

More information on the household budget survey and its results could be found on NSI website - [www.nsi.bg](http://www.nsi.bg) under the heading of Households Income and Expenditure and the Information System INFOSTAT.



Annex

Table 1

Total households income by source during the first quarter of 2017 and 2018

Sources	First quarter of 2017			First quarter of 2018		
	Structure - %	Average per household - BGN	Average per capita - BGN	Structure - %	Average per household - BGN	Average per capita - BGN
<b>Total income</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2961.57</b>	<b>1280.76</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3178.40</b>	<b>1406.62</b>
Total gross income	97.8	2896.13	1252.45	95.7	3041.70	1346.12
Wages and salaries	55.5	1642.83	710.46	56.3	1790.39	792.35
Other earnings	2.9	86.24	37.29	1.3	42.20	18.68
Self-employment income	5.6	166.43	71.97	6.7	212.93	94.23
Property income	0.4	11.06	4.78	0.3	9.29	4.11
Pensions	29.1	861.11	372.39	27.0	859.43	380.34
Unemployment benefits	0.3	8.07	3.49	0.4	11.30	5.00
Family allowances	0.8	22.60	9.77	0.8	23.87	10.57
Other social benefits	2.1	62.03	26.83	1.8	57.10	25.27
Regular transfers from other households	1.2	35.76	15.46	1.1	35.19	15.57
Receipt sale	0.1	4.16	1.80	0.4	12.09	5.35
Miscellaneous	2.1	61.29	26.50	3.9	124.61	55.15
Drawn savings	x	74.88	32.38	x	74.94	33.16
Loans and credits	x	24.49	10.59	x	14.37	6.36



Table 2

**Total household expenditure by group during the first quarter of 2017 and 2018**

Expenditure groups	First quarter of 2017			First quarter of 2018		
	Structure - %	Average per household - BGN	Average per capita - BGN	Structure - %	Average per household - BGN	Average per capita - BGN
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2620.39</b>	<b>1133.21</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2854.15</b>	<b>1263.12</b>
Consumer monetary expenditure	82.3	2157.50	933.03	81.3	2321.18	1027.25
Foods and non-alcoholic beverages	30.5	799.50	345.75	30.4	867.56	383.94
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	4.4	115.70	50.03	4.2	120.44	53.30
Clothing and footwear	3.1	80.35	34.75	2.8	79.84	35.33
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	16.6	434.69	187.99	14.7	420.70	186.18
Furnishing and maintenance of the house	3.5	91.37	39.51	3.7	105.96	46.89
Health	5.9	154.18	66.68	6.0	170.46	75.44
Transport	6.4	168.06	72.68	7.3	207.06	91.64
Communication	4.6	121.57	52.58	4.6	132.17	58.49
Recreation, culture and education	3.2	84.27	36.44	3.4	96.85	42.86
Miscellaneous goods and services	4.1	107.80	46.62	4.2	120.13	53.17
Taxes	6.2	161.29	69.75	6.3	178.75	79.11
Social insurance contributions	7.2	189.63	82.01	7.8	222.20	98.34
Regular transfers to others households	1.3	34.78	15.04	1.5	42.37	18.75
Other expenditure	2.9	77.19	33.38	3.1	89.65	39.68
Saving deposits	x	145.94	63.11	x	171.81	76.04
Purchase of currency and securities	x	0.02	0.01	x	0.24	0.11
Debt paid out and loan granted	x	87.56	37.87	x	74.40	32.92