

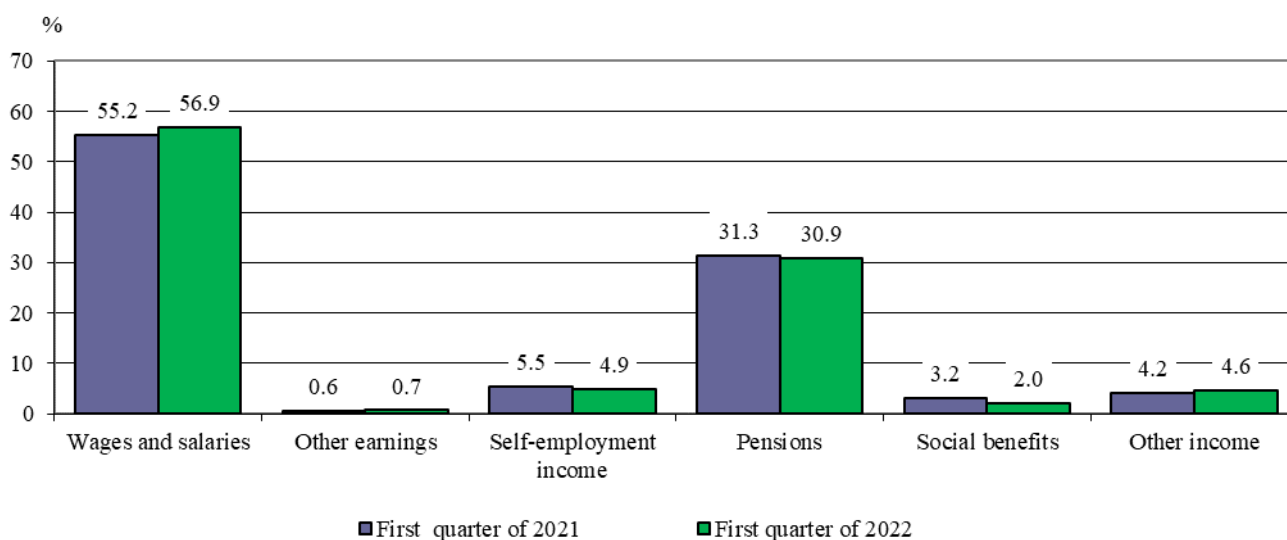
## HOUSEHOLD INCOME, EXPENDITURE AND CONSUMPTION DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2022

### Household Income

The **total income** average per household member during the first quarter of 2022 is 2 006 BGN and increases by 9.6% compared to the same quarter of 2021.

The highest relative share of income within the total income is the one from wages and salaries (56.9%). The relative share of income from pensions is 30.9% and from self-employment - 4.9%. Compare to the first quarter of 2021 the relative share of income from wages and salaries increases by 1.7 percentage points (pp). The share of income from pensions decreases by 0.4 pp and income from self-employment - by 0.6 pp.

**Figure 1. Structure of the total household income during the first quarter of 2021 and 2022**



The nominal income by source average per capita during the first quarter of 2022 compared to the first quarter of 2021 changes as follows:

- Income from **wages and salaries** increases from 1 011 BGN to 1 142 BGN (by 12.9%);
- **Self-employment** income decreases from 100 to 97 BGN (by 2.6%);
- Income from **pensions** increases from 574 BGN to 619 BGN (by 7.9%);
- Income from **social benefits** decreases from 57 BGN to 40 BGN (by 30.9%).

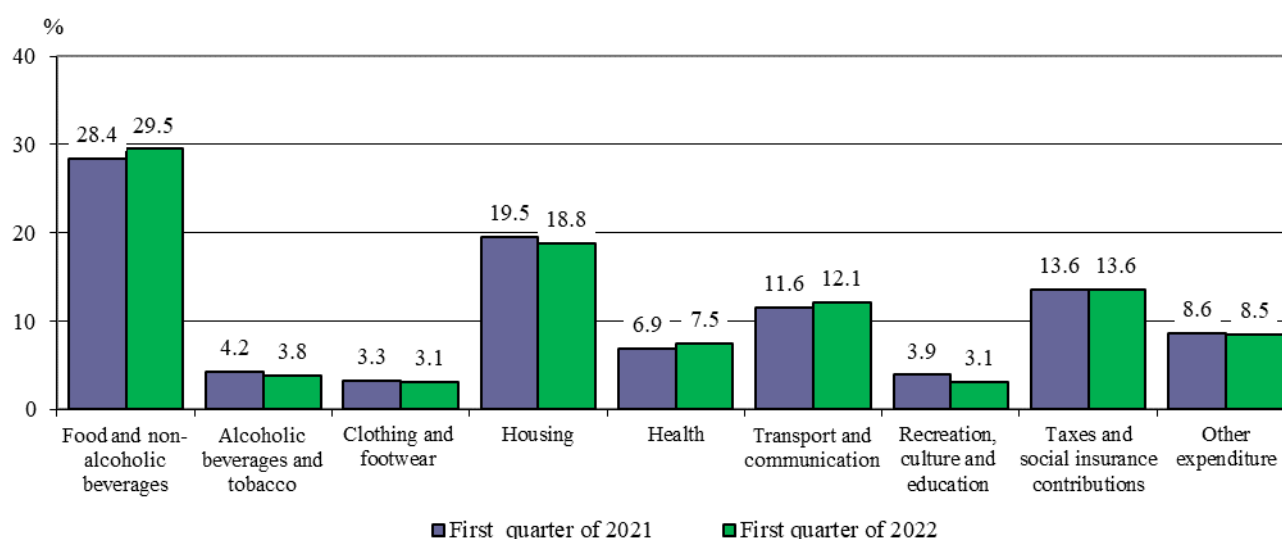
The relative share of monetary income into the total income during the first quarter of 2022 is 99.7% and the share of income in kind is 0.3%.

## Household Expenditure

The **total expenditure** average per household member during the first quarter of 2022 is 1 821 BGN and increases by 13.3% in comparison to the same quarter of 2021.

The greatest share in the formation of the total expenditure has expenditure on food and non-alcoholic beverages - 29.5% as well as expenditure on housing - 18.8%, taxes and social insurance contributions - 13.6% and transport and communication - 12.1%.

**Figure 2. Structure of the total household expenditure during the first quarter of 2021 and 2022**



The relative share of food and non-alcoholic beverages increases by 1.1 pp compared to the first quarter of 2021 and the relative share of health - by 0.6 pp. The share of recreation, culture and education decreases by 0.8 pp and the share of housing - by 0.7 pp.

The expenditure by group average per capita changes as absolute values during the first quarter of 2022 compared to the same quarter of 2021 as follows:

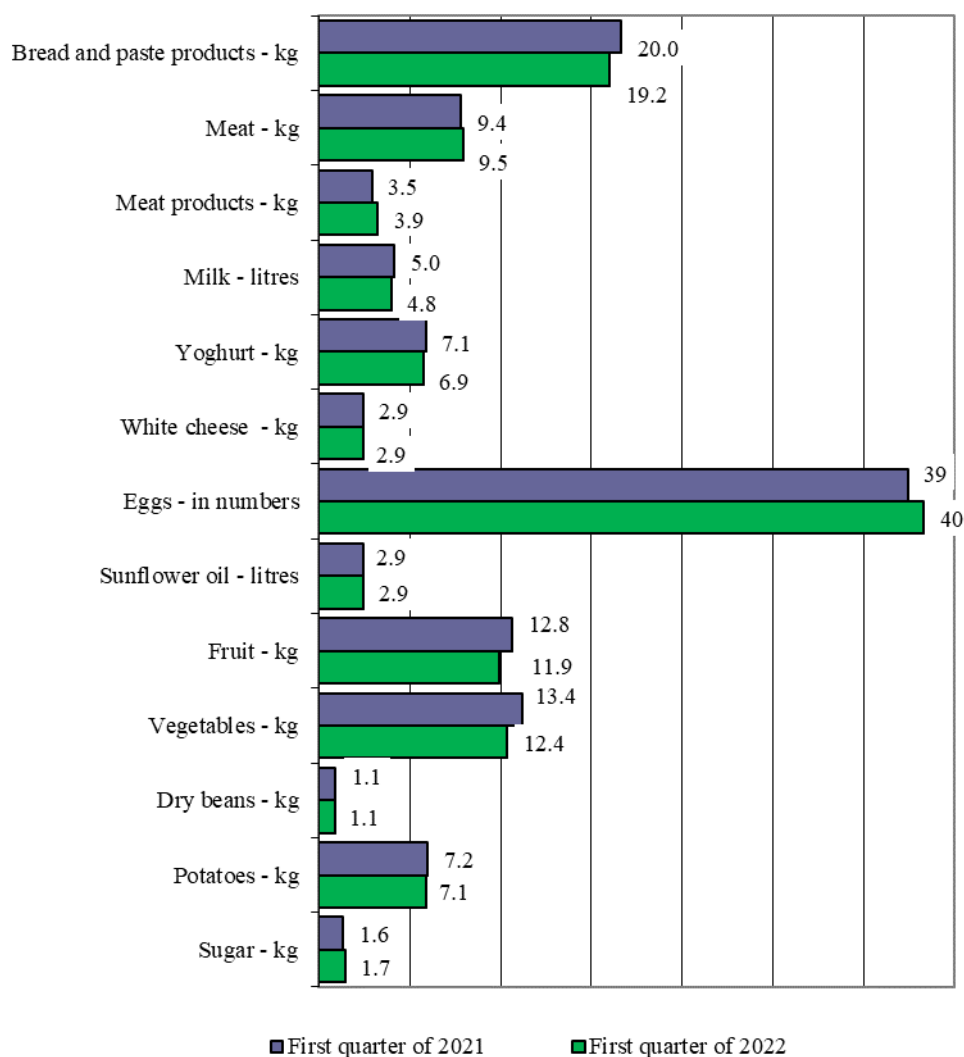
- Expenditure on **food and non-alcoholic beverages** increases from 456 BGN to 537 BGN (by 17.8%);
- Expenditure on **alcoholic beverages and tobacco** increases from 67 BGN to 70 BGN (by 4.0%);
- Expenditure on **clothing and footwear** increases from 53 BGN to 56 BGN (by 5.3%);
- Expenditure on **housing (water, electricity, heating, furnishing and maintenance of the house)** increases from 313 BGN to 343 BGN (by 9.6%);
- Expenditure on **health** increases from 111 BGN to 137 BGN (by 23.3%);
- Expenditure on **transport and communication** increases from 186 BGN to 220 BGN (by 18.2%);
- Expenditure on **recreation, culture and education** decreases from 63 BGN to 56 BGN (by 11.1%);
- Expenditure on **taxes and social insurance contributions** increases from 218 BGN to 247 BGN (by 13.3%).

## Household Consumption

The consumption of main food products average per household member during the first quarter of 2022 compared to the same quarter of 2021 changes as follows:

- Consumption increases by meat - from 9.4 to 9.5 kg, meat products - from 3.5 to 3.9 kg, eggs - from 39 to 40 numbers and sugar - from 1.6 to 1.7 kg.
- Consumption of bread and paste products decreases from 20.0 kg to 19.2 kg, yoghurt - from 7.1 to 6.9 kg, milk - from 5.0 litres to 4.8 litres, fruit - from 12.8 to 11.9 kg, vegetables - from 13.4 to 12.4 kg, and potatoes - from 7.2 to 7.1 kg.
- The consumption of white cheese, sunflower oil and dry beans remains without change.

**Figure 3. Consumption of main food products average per household member during the first quarter of 2021 and 2022**





## Methodological notes

The source of data is the quarterly household budget survey. It is a sample survey. The sample used for the survey is a random sample of 3 060 households.

A regular household consists of 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 sales 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 the 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 household income by source during the first quarter of 2021 and 2022

Sources	First quarter of 2021			First quarter of 2022		
	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>3920.09</b>	<b>1829.87</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4131.51</b>	<b>2005.54</b>
<i>Total gross income</i>	96.9	3800.10	1773.86	96.5	3987.51	1935.64
Wages and salaries	55.2	2165.62	1010.89	56.9	2352.13	1141.79
Other earnings	0.6	22.15	10.34	0.7	28.59	13.88
Self-employment income	5.5	214.07	99.92	4.9	200.46	97.31
Property income	0.3	11.64	5.43	0.2	10.25	4.98
Pensions	31.3	1228.88	573.63	30.9	1274.82	618.83
Unemployment benefits	0.7	25.50	11.90	0.3	11.72	5.69
Family allowances	1.2	47.35	22.10	0.8	32.62	15.83
Other social benefits	1.3	49.80	23.25	0.9	37.12	18.02
Regular transfers from other households	0.9	35.10	16.38	1.0	39.79	19.32
<i>Receipt sale</i>	0.1	3.52	1.65	0.2	7.49	3.64
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	3.0	116.47	54.37	3.3	136.51	66.27
Drawn savings	x	86.93	40.58	x	125.36	60.85
Loans and credits	x	7.45	3.48	x	19.47	9.45



Table 2

Total household expenditure by group during the first quarter of 2021 and 2022

Expenditure groups	First quarter of 2021			First quarter of 2022		
	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>3442.97</b>	<b>1607.15</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3751.98</b>	<b>1821.30</b>
<i>Consumer monetary expenditure</i>	82.2	2830.40	1321.21	82.3	3089.66	1499.80
Foods and non-alcoholic beverages	28.4	977.05	456.08	29.5	1106.99	537.36
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	4.2	143.68	67.07	3.8	143.67	69.74
Clothing and footwear	3.3	113.83	53.14	3.1	115.32	55.98
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	14.8	508.13	237.19	14.8	554.58	269.21
Furnishing and maintenance of the house	4.7	162.39	75.80	4.0	151.91	73.74
Health	6.9	238.78	111.46	7.5	283.16	137.45
Transport	6.8	234.21	109.33	7.5	280.87	136.34
Communication	4.8	164.28	76.68	4.6	172.02	83.50
Recreation, culture and education	3.9	134.80	62.92	3.1	115.22	55.93
Miscellaneous goods and services	4.5	153.24	71.53	4.4	165.92	80.54
<i>Taxes</i>	6.1	208.59	97.37	5.9	219.67	106.63
<i>Social insurance contributions</i>	7.5	258.60	120.71	7.7	289.51	140.54
<i>Regular transfers to others households</i>	0.9	32.60	15.22	0.9	34.89	16.94
<i>Other expenditure</i>	3.3	112.78	52.64	3.2	118.24	57.40
Saving deposits	x	307.49	143.54	x	242.11	117.53
Debt paid out and loan granted	x	74.01	34.55	x	70.84	34.39