# 18 Labour, earnings and income



## AVERAGE DISPOSABLE FAMILY INCOME. 2011

Danish family incomes differ according to the municipality of residence. In general, the metropolitan area and the large cities account for the greatest incomes. In Denmark as a whole, Danish families had an average disposable income of DKK 322,000 in 2011. The municipalities north of Copenhagen have the highest disposable incomes. Among these, Gentofte has the highest with an average disposable income of DKK 552,500 a year. Lolland Municipality had the lowest average disposable income (DKK 264,500).

In an international context, Denmark is characterised as being one of the countries in the world with the most equally distributed incomes after taxes.

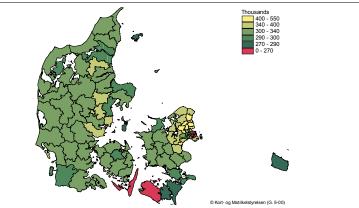
#### MONTHLY EARNINGS

In the earnings statistics, monthly earnings are called the standardised monthly remuneration and are the average earnings per month for a full-time employee in the Danish labour market. Monthly earnings comprise total earnings, including pension and any bonuses and staff benefits.

There are great differences in average monthly earnings among the industries. The industry, finance and insurance accounts for the highest average monthly earnings (men), whereas the lowest earnings are seen in trade and transport etc. (women). The jobs performed by men and women differ in each industry, which is one of the reasons why men's average monthly earnings are higher than women's earnings.

# **DID YOU KNOW THAT**

In the last 10 years, average earnings have increased by 36 per cent in the private sector. In the same period, prices only increased by 26 per cent, leading to a considerable increase in the purchasing power.



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### MONTHLY EARNINGS

		2010		2011	
	Unit	Men	Women	Men	Women
Total	DKK	39 298	33 416	40 285	34 110
Agriculture, forestry and fishery <sup>1</sup>	-	32 026	31 041	32 628	36 089
Manufacturing, quarrying and supply	-	38 790	34 306	39 702	35 571
Construction	-	34 111	31 718	34 764	32 779
Trade and transport etc.	-	35 977	29 294	37 170	30 245
Information and communications	-	49 335	39 766	49 912	40 580
Finance and insurance	-	56 249	42 455	57 448	43 647
Real estate activities	-	37 939	34 584	37 477	33 905
Business activities	-	42 534	33 177	43 701	34 278
Pub. adm., education and health	-	39 250	33 436	39 490	33 726
Culture, leisure and other services	-	39 996	35 229	41 202	36 260

1 Do not include employees in the private sector.

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