

# PHARMACEUTICAL SECTOR COMPENSATION SURVEY LATVIA 2022

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## INTRODUCTION

The 2022 Pharmaceutical Sector Compensation Survey is the sixteenth survey in this sector. The survey reflects salary trends and practices in the pharmaceutical sector.

The purpose of the sector compensation survey is to provide Latvian offices of international pharmaceutical organizations with objective information related to employees' compensation.

The survey presents an overview of the current salary market (as of June 2022) in the pharmaceutical sector, compares changes to the previous year and describes expectations organizations have regarding employee compensation.

The Pharmaceutical Sector Compensation Survey 2022 in Latvia comprises the data of **28** organizations.

The report provides: (1) analyzed information on compensation changes and compensation policies, (2) detailed compensation - related analysis according to job families and levels and (3) compensation information in salary tables according to job families and levels.

The Compensation Analysis Tool (CAT) includes comparisons made based on organizations and incumbents (see **Organization weighted and incumbent weighted approach**).

We hope you will find our survey a helpful tool in making compensation-related decisions.

Our team would like to extend its gratitude to the Association of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers (APME) and all participants who helped compiling the present survey.

Sincerely yours,

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## FIGURE



### TALENT AND SALARY

How to find perfect balance between hopes and possibilities?

How to value talent in numbers?

What is the... adequate value of the priceless?

*Find the answers in Compensation Survey*

### TALENT AND ORGANIZATION

Do we fit together?

Do we speak the same language?

Are we in our own element?

*Find the answers in Organization Culture Survey*

*The survey is created in cooperation with Tallinn University*

### TALENT AND SATISFACTION

Are the talents satisfied and dedicated?

What is the relation between results and feelings?

How humane is the working environment and the organization?

*Find the answers in Employee Satisfaction Survey*

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## SUMMARY



**28**

Organizations participated in the Pharmaceutical Sector Compensation Survey 2022 in Latvia.



**492**

employees' compensation information is analysed in the survey. 92% of employees work in Riga, 3% in Kurzeme and 5% - in rest of Latvia.



**+4.5%**

is the average change of monthly base salary for employees whose position did not change during previous 12 months. Annual total cash change was on average +6.8%. These statistics include data of all employees, including those whose salary has not been changed or was reduced.



**17%**

of the organizations increased the number of employees during previous 12 months, 18% of organizations decreased the number of employees, meanwhile, in 65% of organizations the number of employees remained the same.



**4.8%**

is the average increase of monthly base salary for those employees whose compensation was increased during previous 12 months.



**4.8%**

is the average employee voluntary turnover in organizations during previous 12 months, meanwhile, total employee turnover was on average 7.2%.



**95%**

of employees have received an increase in monthly base salary, meanwhile, annual total cash has increased for 72 % of employees having similar responsibilities as the year before.



**94%**

of the organizations plan to increase monthly base salary in 2022 and 88% plan to increase annual total cash, meanwhile, 6% do not plan any changes in monthly base salary.



**77.2%**

of employees during previous 12 months have received at least one variable component of compensation. 55.9% of employees have received short-term bonuses and incentives, 22.2% of employees - sales bonuses and incentives.



**90%**

of the organizations offer short term incentives and 71% of organizations offer sales incentives to at least one employee group. 43% of organizations offer long-term incentives.

**+3.9%**

is an average forecasted change in monthly base salary in 2022. Forecasted changes in annual total cash is on average 3.2%, 3.9% and 3.6%, for year 2022, 2023, 2024 respectively.

**70%**

of the organizations plan to maintain the same number of employees, 20% plan to increase the number of employees, and 10% of organizations plan to decrease the headcount.



95% of organizations offer Internal training, 62% offer External training, while 5% do not provide any training for their employees. For 55% of organizations the training expenses have not changed, for 35% increased, while 10% of the organizations have decreased their expenses for employee training. In light of the current economic situation, it can be noted that currently 70% of the organizations does not compensate costs related to the remote work.



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## SURVEY METHODOLOGY

### Participants and Target Group

The purpose of the Pharmaceutical Sector Compensation Survey is to provide each organization's compensation analysis and comparison to the sector, based on structured high-quality market information in the pharmaceutical sector in Latvia.

The survey helps to follow and to evaluate changes in the labour market, to make compensation related decisions and to define the right compensation package for employees consistent with the current situation.

### Job Classification

To ensure a precise compensation comparison among jobs with similar responsibilities and functions, all jobs present in organizations are classified into specific job families (by the function and content) and levels (by the responsibility and job complexity) using the General Job Description Catalogue and Pharmaceutical Job Description Catalogue. All job families and levels have also been evaluated using analytical job evaluation method (see APPENDIX C - Analytical Job Evaluation Method), in order to facilitate comparison between different job families (in points).

Job descriptions used for classification are represented prior to a respective salary table.

### Salary and Compensation Data Gathering and Analysis

Salary data was gathered using two complementary data forms: salary tables and questionnaires regarding compensation policy.

Data was asked for all jobs in an organization. The data was collected, processed, and analyzed between May to June 2022. The monthly base salary data is provided as of May 2022. When calculating the amounts of annual total cash, paid out variable short-term incentives and assigned long term financial incentives/bonuses for the previous 12 months are taken into account.

Compensation changes in job families and levels have been calculated for employees whose position, duties and responsibilities have not changed during last year as well as for employees whose position, duties and responsibilities have changed (for example, who work on a higher or lower position than last year or with increased responsibility and duties).

In addition to the detailed compensation data, the representatives of the organizations provided information on compensation policies. The information was gathered from the questionnaire in five general parts - general information on the organization, compensation system, compensation parts (including incentive schemes), benefits and training, other additional questions.



The electronically-obtained data was checked and streamlined. RStudio Desktop 2022.02.3+492 as well as spreadsheet application MS Excel were used for statistical analysis.

When the answers were submitted for statistical processing, usually the median value and/or the arithmetic average was calculated; for salary data other positional averages, such as the median, 10%, 90% deciles and 25%, 75% quartiles, were also used (see APPENDIX B - Terms). The percentages presented in the tables and graphs represent the weight of an answer among the total number of answers to the questions at hand (respondents who did not answer have not been taken into account).

The salary information has been presented based on two principles:

- to submit as much objective information as possible,
- to preserve the confidentiality of the information relating to the participating organizations.

All numbers are presented in gross amounts and in EUR.





## Organization weighted and incumbent weighted approach

Compensation survey consists of two different approaches of calculation: organization weighted approach and incumbent weighted approach.

Organization weighted statistics better reflect company policies (a pay for a job), while incumbent weighted describes the reality of the labor market (a pay for an individual).

Tip: Incumbent weighted describes what the average person earns, not what the average company pays.

**Organization weighted approach** (extension **ORG**) – a job market distribution computed using the averaged incumbent pay for each organization. Each company is weighted equally so no company can influence the distribution statistics based on a large share of the incumbent sample. The "Organization weighted" part of this term indicates that it is a reflection of what the typical company is paying. The calculation first determines the average pay for a job at each unique company, and then calculates the average of those averages.

**Incumbent weighted approach** (extension **IND**) – a job market distribution computed using individual employee (incumbent) pay data regardless of affiliation with a company. While each incumbent is weighted equally, organizations with large share of the incumbent sample may influence the distribution statistics. The "Incumbent weighted" part of this term means it is the average pay for each person in the labor market.

The salary tables in the PDF report of the survey (MONETARY COMPENSATION) represent the statistics that have been calculated based on organizations (organization weighted approach).

Salary changes in chapters:

- 1.1. Salary Changes
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are calculated based on both organization weighted and incumbent weighted approach.

The Compensation Analyzes Tool represent both organization weighted and incumbent weighted approach. Trendlines in the Compensation Analyzes Tool are based on organizations!

### Explanation

Say we have companies A (with 3 employees), B (with 2 employees), C (with 9 employees), D (with 2 employees) and E (with 4 employees).

If we want to know the average salary based on the employees (incumbent weighted approach), we sum up the salaries of all the employees and divide the sum by 20 (the total employees of 5 companies altogether).

If we want the average salary based on companies (organization weighted approach), we'll start by calculating the average salaries inside the companies and then find the average total (by summing up the averages of the companies and dividing the sum by 5).

### Based on employees

Org	Salary
A	1 000
A	1 000
A	1 000
B	900
B	1 200
C	860
C	860
C	860
C	900
C	920
C	920
C	980
C	980
C	980
D	800
D	850
E	1 200
E	1 200
E	1 200
E	1 500
Average	1 006
Median	980

### Based on organizations

Org	Average Salary
A	1 000
B	1 050
C	920
D	825
E	1 275
Average	1 014
Median	1 000



## STRUCTURE OF THE SURVEY SAMPLE

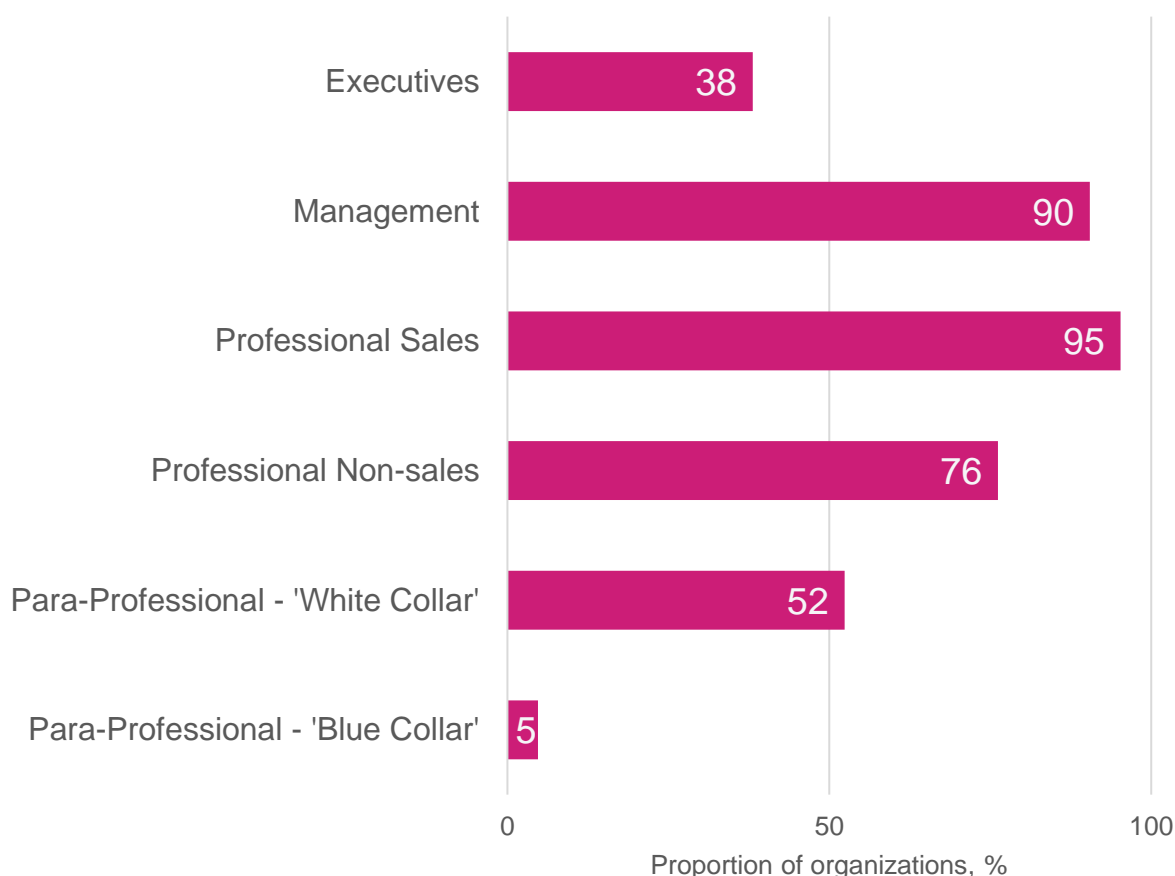
**28** organizations participated in the 2022 Pharmaceutical Sector Compensation Survey. All participants submitted the salary table and **21** filled in the questionnaire.

The salary data of 492 positions was used for the analysis. 76% of positions were filled by women. 92% of positions are situated in Riga, while rest of the 8% are across all regions.

For the first part of the survey, the analysis on compensation policy data is analyzed according to employee groups (please see Graph 1 below). Due to different organizational structures and size of the organizations the sample in each employee group differs.

### Graph 1. Employee Groups in Organizations (Based on Organizations' Answers)

*(the graph shows the frequency of employee groups in organizations)*



*Graph is calculated using the answers of 21 organizations.*

**Executives** – employees (management team) who provide strategic vision and/or ensure operational activities across multiple functions or sub-functions. Determine policy and direction of the organization or a functional area and direct its activities – usually through other managers. Can be the head of an organization, board members, function managers or sub-function managers in very large organizations.

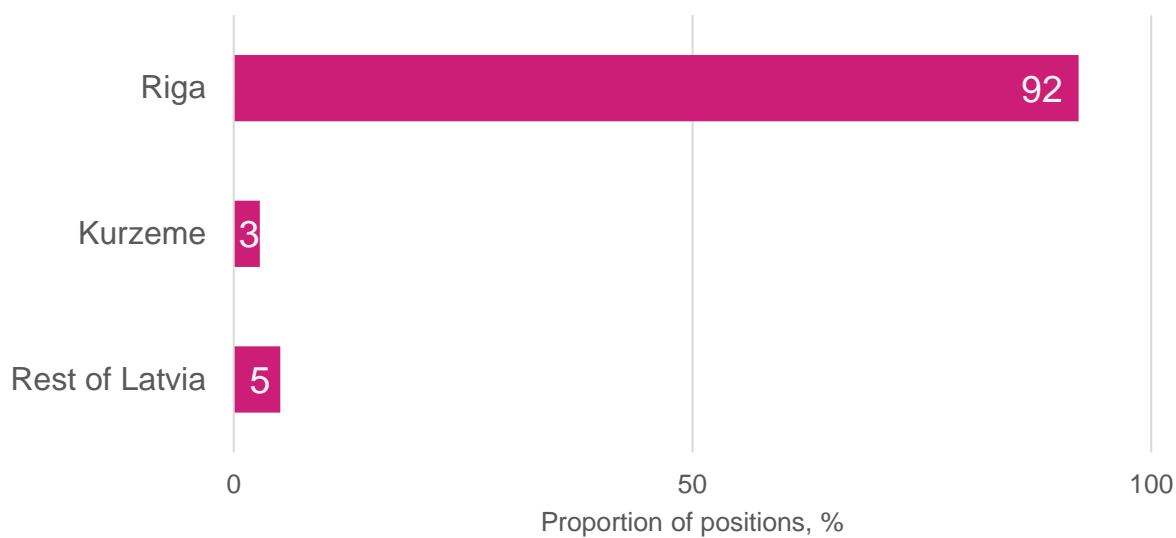
**Management (first level managers, middle level managers)** – employees who focus on tactical vision and/or operational activities within a specific area. Report to an executive or head of an organization. Have managerial responsibility for a department or a team. Coordinate and organize activities of a separate unit or service within an organization. Establish operational and administrative procedures, formulate policies relevant to their areas, and organize, lead and direct others to achieve their goals.

**Professional sales** – employees who sell products, services or solutions to other organizations or individuals and have a responsibility for sales results. Professionals with no managerial responsibility, although they may provide mentoring, coaching or supervision to less experienced staff. Senior sales positions may take on team leader roles that are based on profound expertise rather than on people management. Report to a manager.

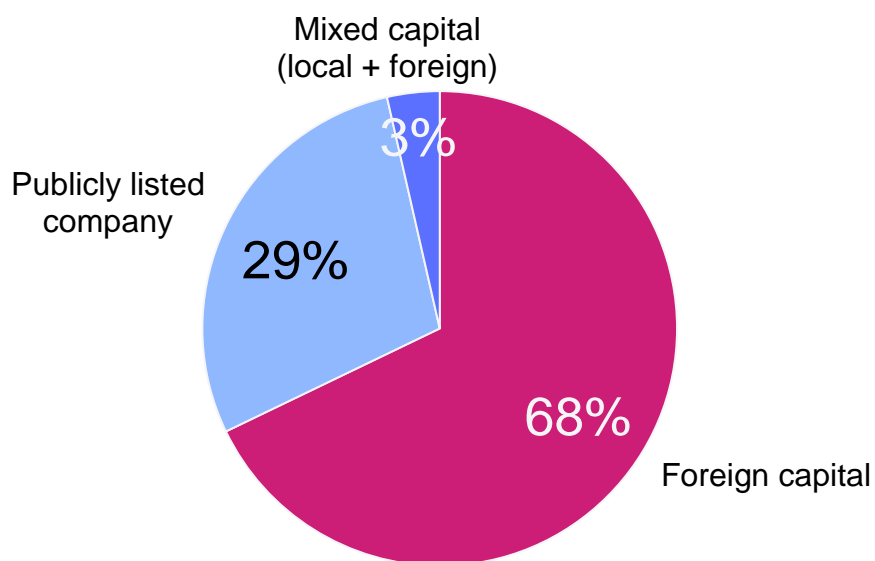
**Professional non-sales (senior specialists, specialists)** – professionals in various fields with no managerial responsibility, although they may provide mentoring, coaching or supervision to less experienced staff. Senior positions may take on team leader roles that are based on profound expertise rather than on people management. Report to a manager. Most positions in this group are responsible for professional and technical everyday work in an organization/department.

**Para-professional “white collar” (junior specialists, specialists, technical specialists)** – employees who carry out an organization’s administrative/technical tasks and who do not have a supervisory or managerial responsibility. Report to a manager/supervisor. Office clerks, operational support, and technicians (excluding blue collar employees). Employees who perform operational tasks according to specific standards and guidelines. Most occupations in this group require only limited job-specific knowledge or relevant experience.

**Para-professional “blue collar” (workers, technical support employees)** – semi-skilled or unskilled employees whose work does not require specific professional education. Carry out standard tasks. Report to a leader/supervisor. Include production and operations support employees and technicians.

**Graph 2. Positions by Region**

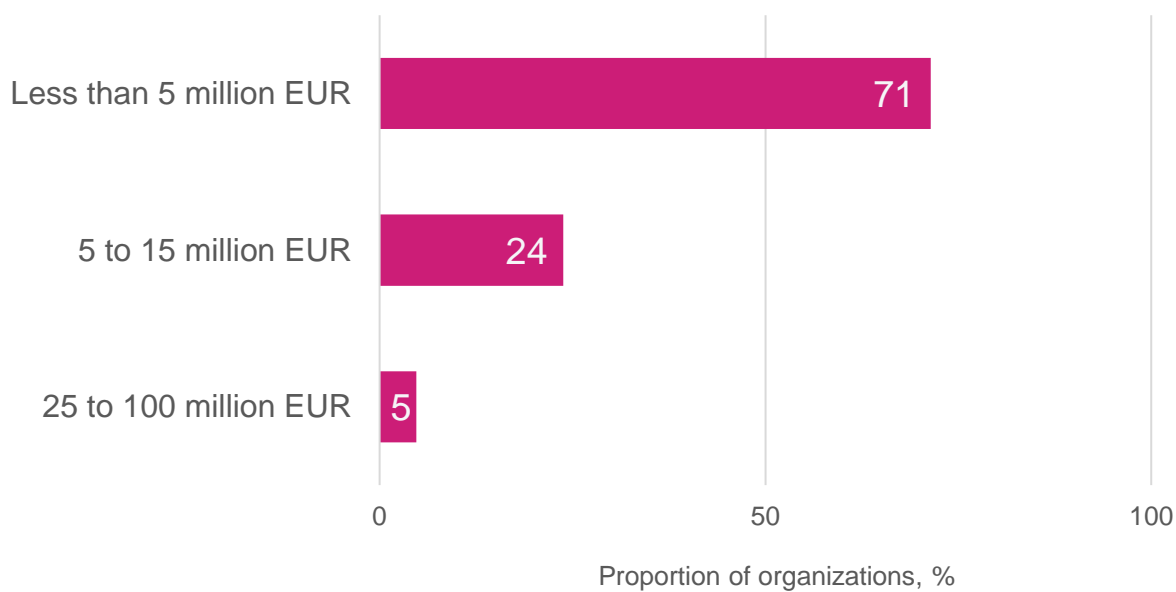
Graph is calculated using the data of 28 organizations.

**Graph 3. Organizations by Origin of Capital**

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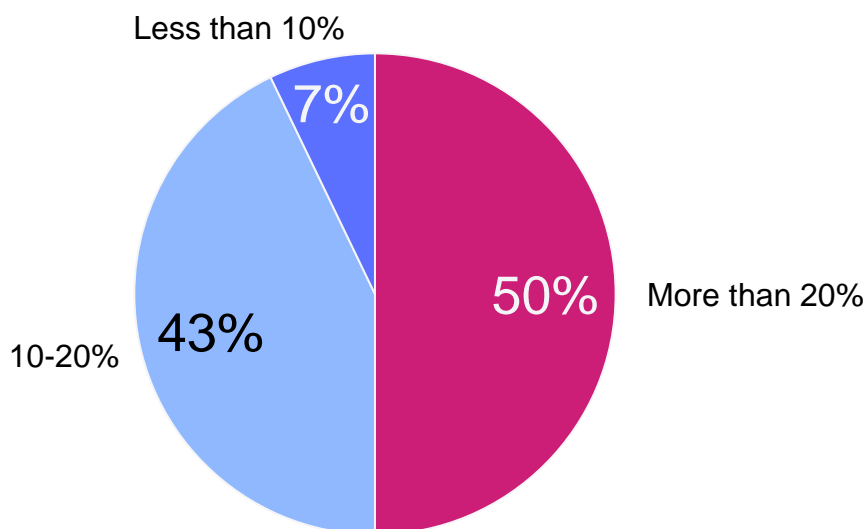


**Graph 4. Organizations by Sales Revenue**



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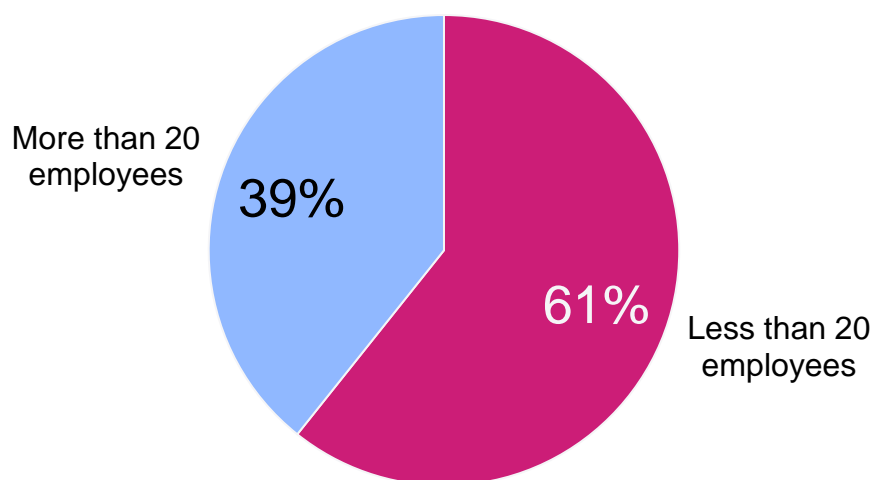
**Graph 5. Organizations by Labour Costs (% of Revenue)**



Graph is calculated using the answers of 14 organizations.



**Graph 6. Organizations by Number of Employees with Employment Contract**



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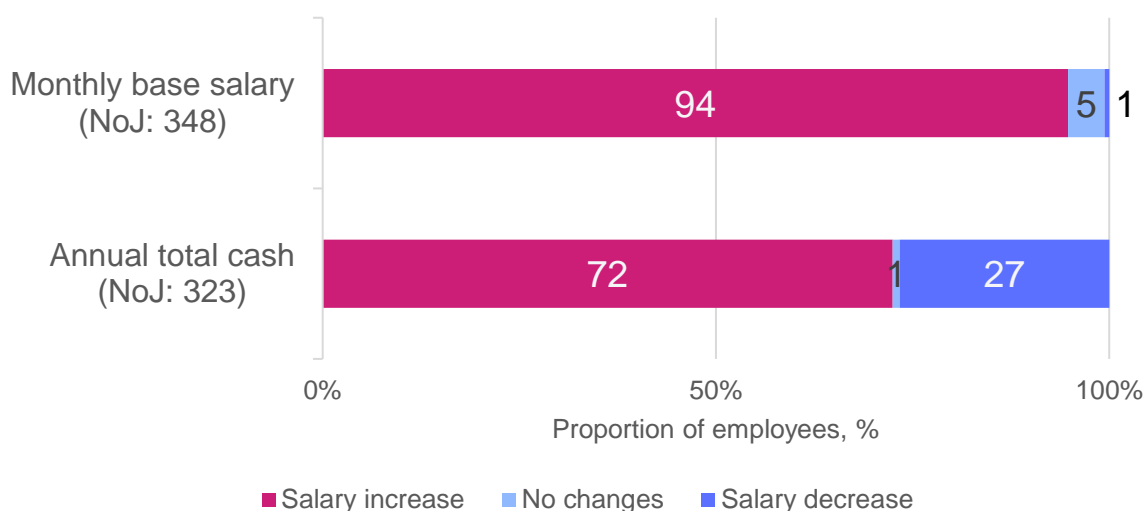


# I REMUNERATION SYSTEM CHANGES AND COMPENSATION POLICY

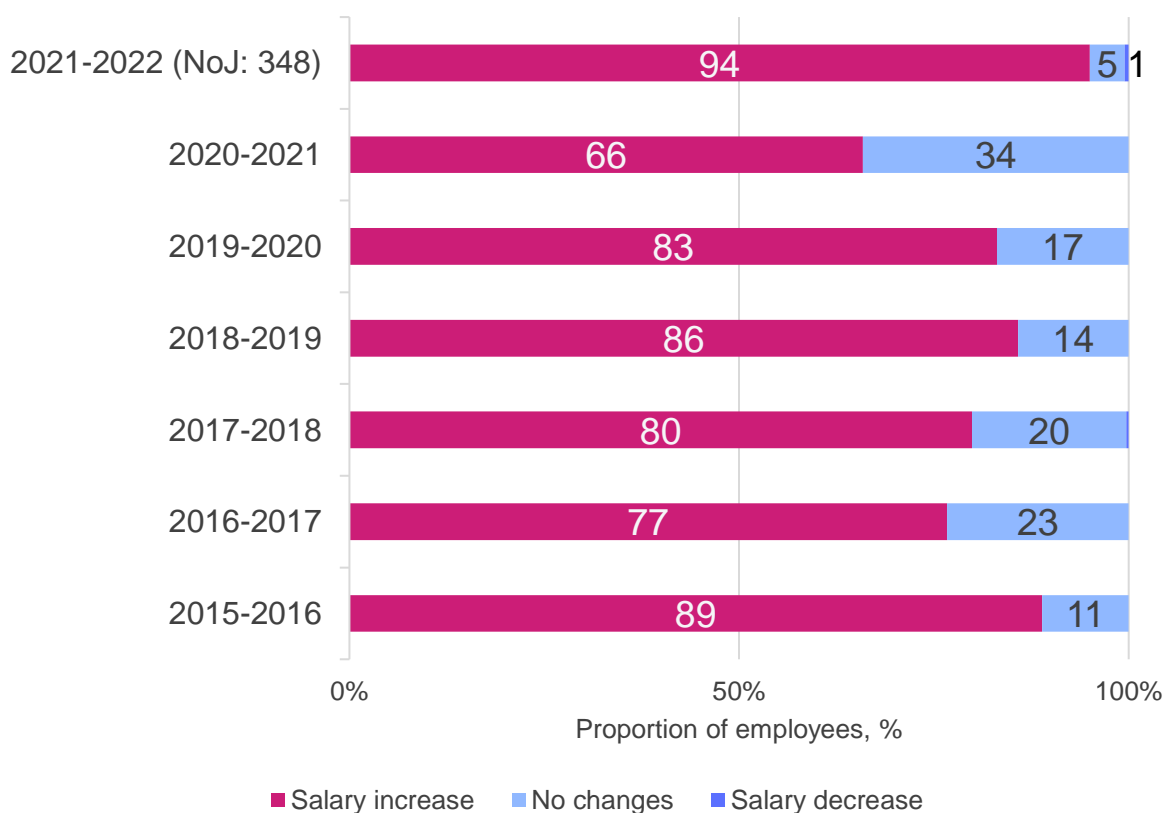
## 1.1. Salary Changes

The following graphs and results are calculated using the data from salary tables.

**Graph 7. Compensation Change during 2021-2022 for Employees Whose Position Has Not Changed during Last Year**



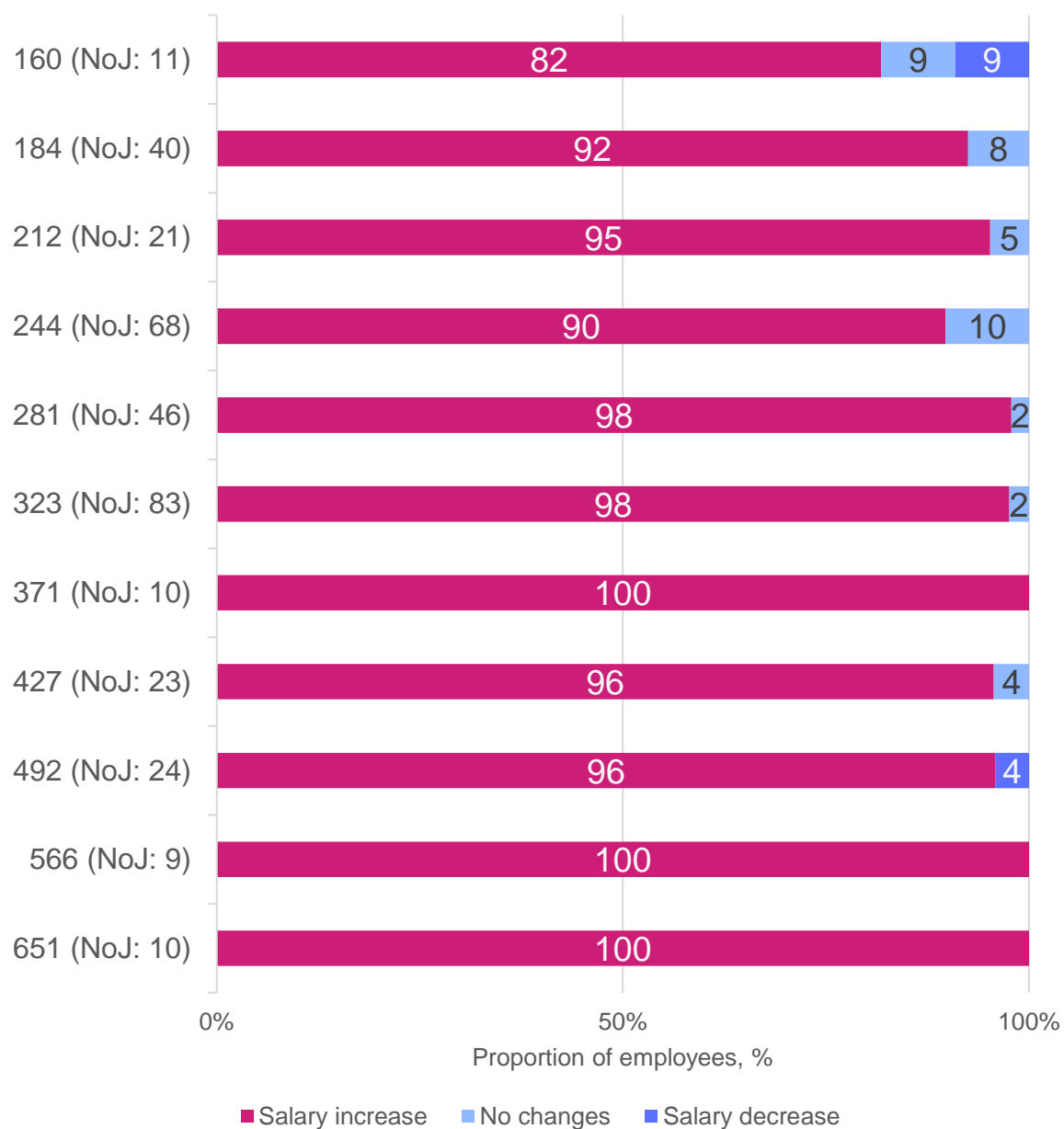
**Graph 8. Proportion of Employees Whose Monthly Base Salary Has Increased/Remained Constant/Decreased in 2015 – 2022**







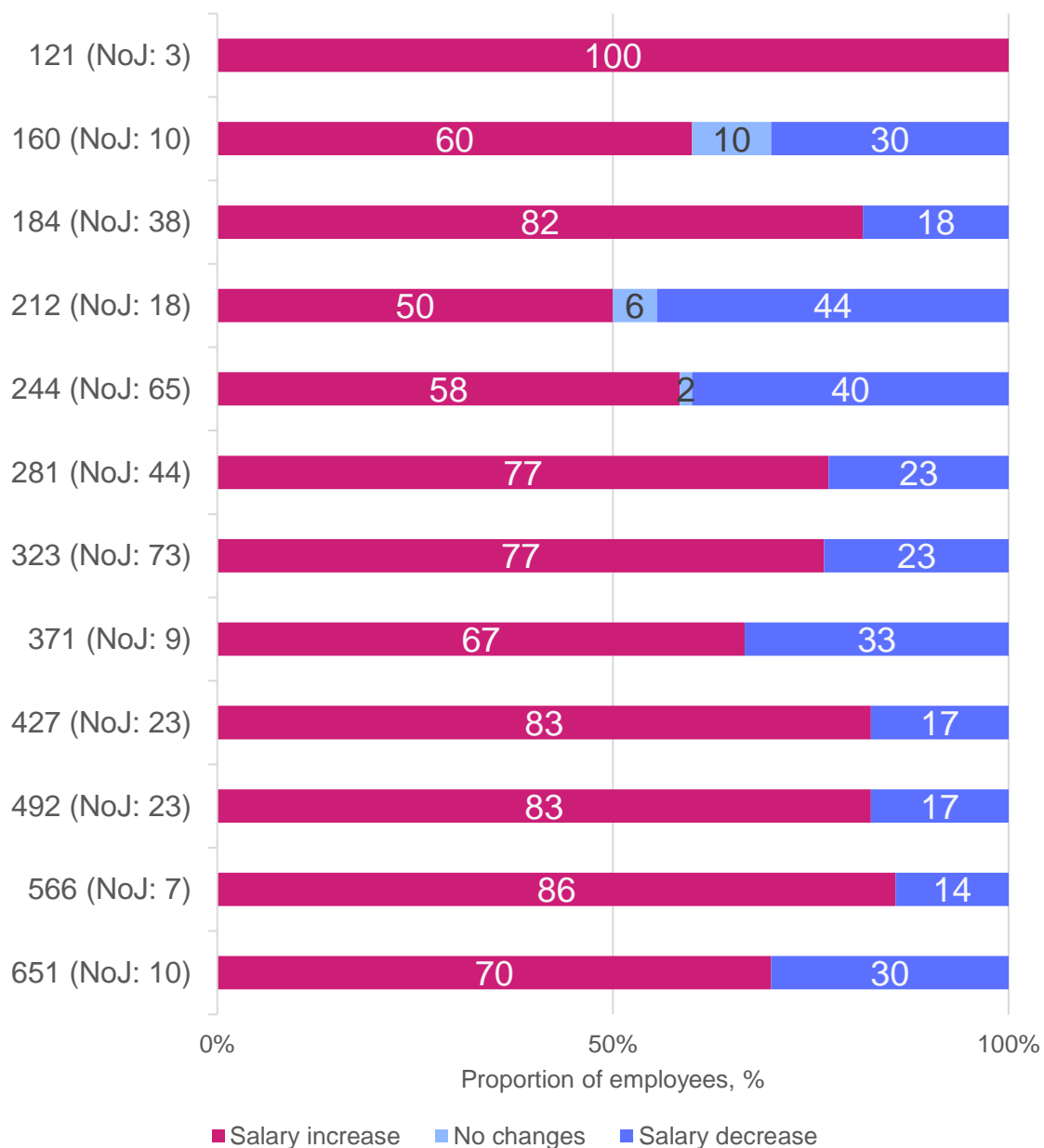
**Graph 9. Monthly Base Salary Change during 2021-2022 by Job Value Points (for Employees Whose Position Has Not Changed during Last Year)**



**\*\*NoJ - Number of jobs in the analysis**



**Graph 10. Annual Total Change during 2021-2022 by Job Value Points (for Employees Whose Position Has Not Changed during Last Year)**



\*NoJ - Number of jobs in the analysis



**Table 1. Incumbent Weighted - Monthly Base Salary and Annual Total Cash Change during 2021-2022 for Employees Whose Position Has Not Changed during Last Year**

Statistic	Monthly Base Salary	Annual Total Cash
Average	4.5%	6.8%
90%	8%	25%
75%	5%	14%
Median	3%	4%
25%	3%	-1%
10%	2%	-9%
NoJ	348	323

Positions where salary did not change or decreased were included into the salary change analysis.

**Table 2. Organization Weighted - Monthly Base Salary and Annual Total Cash Change during 2021-2022 for Employees Whose Position Has Not Changed during Last Year**

Statistic	Monthly Base Salary	Annual Total Cash
Average	5.0%	12.0%
90%	6%	30%
75%	5%	16%
Median	4%	6%
25%	3%	2%
10%	2%	0%
NoO	25	25

Positions where salary did not change or decreased were included into the salary change analysis.

\*NoO - number of organizations in the analysis

**NB!** Organization weighted salary changes by job value points are here - Error! Reference source not found. (see page **Error! Bookmark not defined.**)

**Table 3. Incumbent Weighted - Monthly Base Salary and Annual Total Cash Increase during 2021-2022 for Employees Whose Position Has Not Changed during Last Year**

Statistic	Monthly Base Salary	Annual Total Cash
<b>Average</b>	4.8%	12.5%
<b>90%</b>	9%	28%
<b>75%</b>	5%	17%
<b>Median</b>	4%	8%
<b>25%</b>	3%	4%
<b>10%</b>	2%	2%
<b>NoJ</b>	330	234

Only positions where salary increased were included into the analysis.

**Table 4. Incumbent Weighted - Monthly Base Salary and Annual Total Cash Change during 2021-2022 for Employees Whose Position Changed during Last Year\***

Statistic	Monthly Base Salary	Annual Total Cash
<b>Average</b>	19.5%	15.6%
<b>90%</b>	39%	35%
<b>75%</b>	26%	19%
<b>Median</b>	17%	12%
<b>25%</b>	12%	7%
<b>10%</b>	4%	4%
<b>NoJ</b>	17	15

Positions where salary did not change or decreased were included into the salary change analysis.

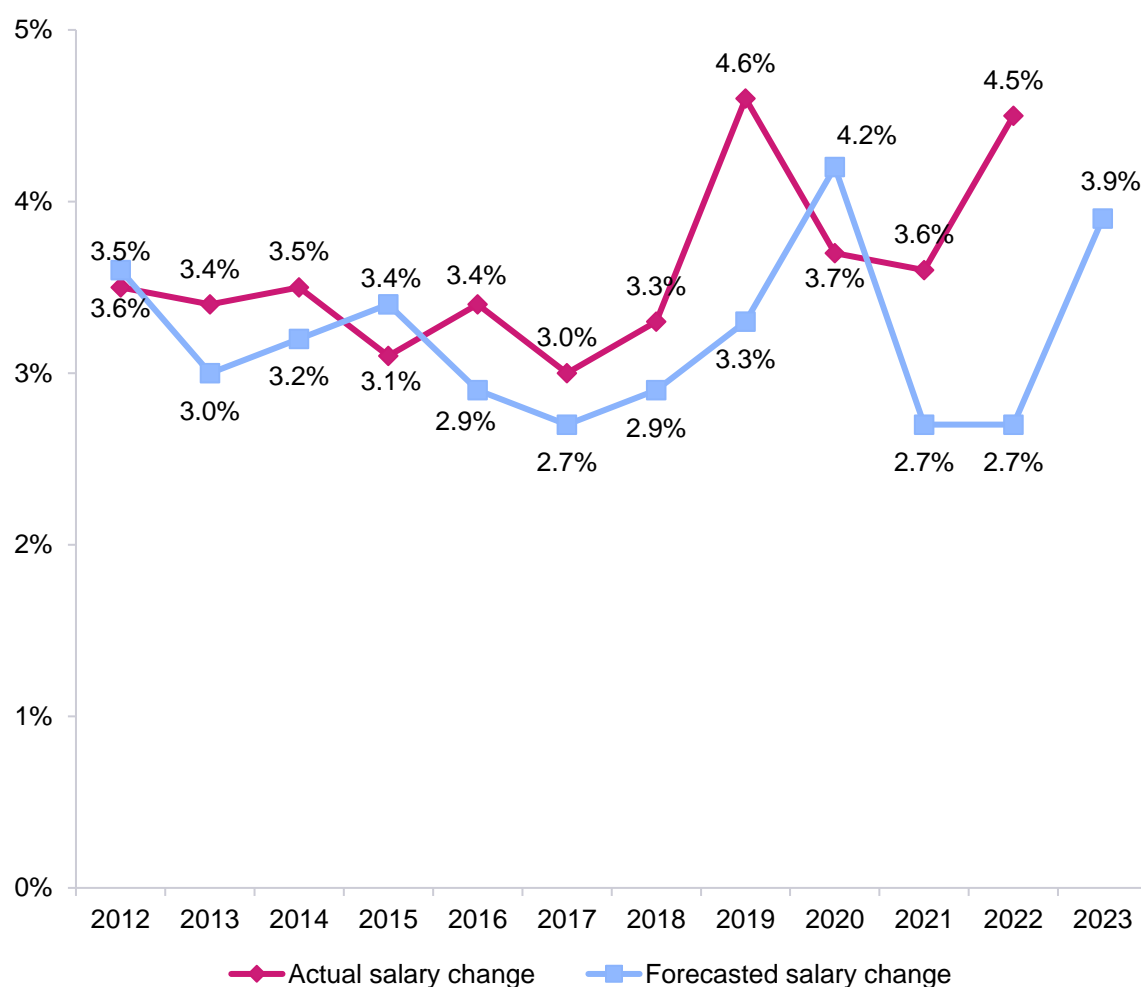
\*Position change means promotion, moving to a different position or getting bigger responsibility.



**Table 5. Organization Weighted - Monthly Base Salary, Annual Total Cash and Proportion of Variable Salary 2020-2021 - WHOLE MARKET**

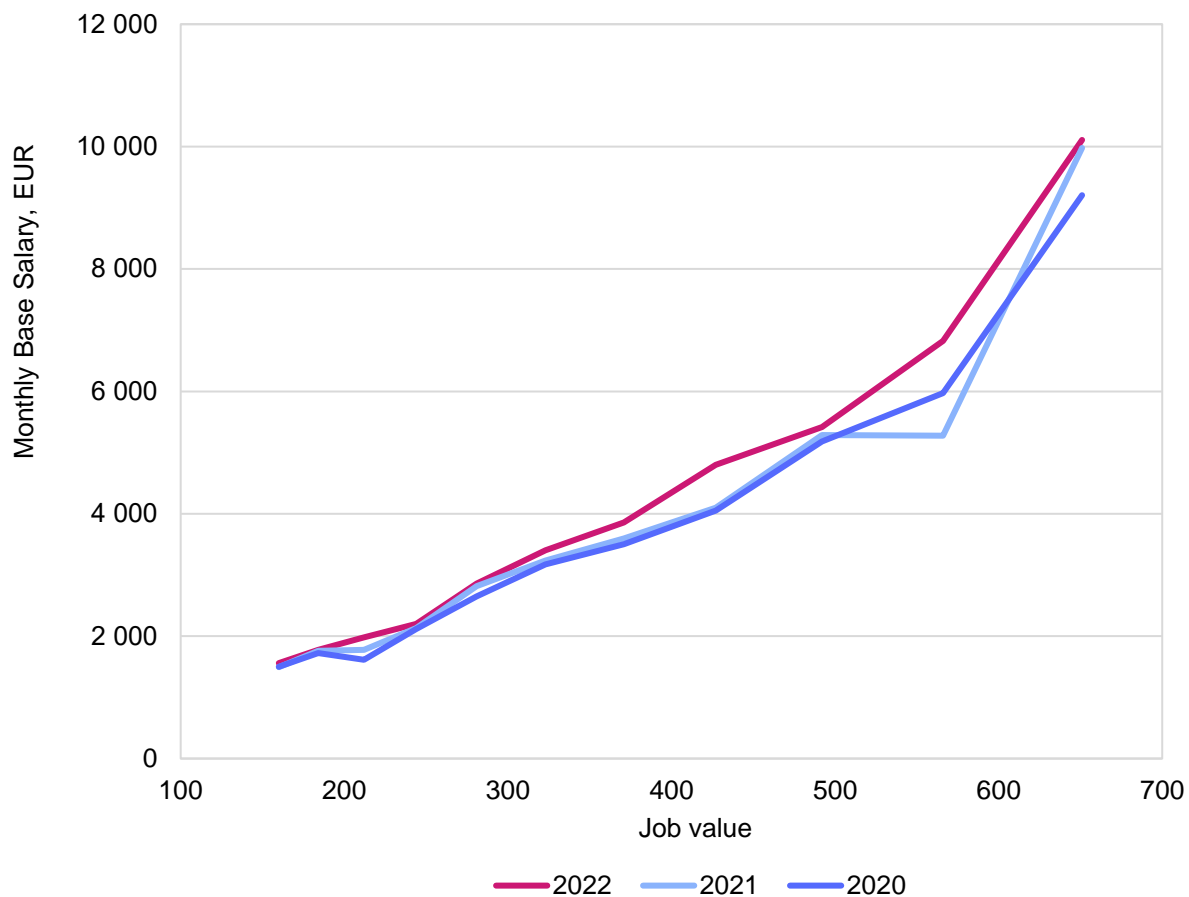
Statistic	Monthly Base Salary	Annual Total Cash	Proportion of Variable Salary
Average	3 325	48 398	14%
90%	3 950	56 936	21%
75%	3 721	53 878	16%
Median	3 388	49 096	14%
25%	2 783	38 735	11%
10%	2 327	32 500	9%
NoJ	492	492	492
NoO	28	28	28

**Graph 11. Organization Weighted - Monthly Base Salary Change Forecast by Organizations for Next Year and Actual Average Monthly Base Salary Change during 2011-2022**





Graph 12. Monthly Base Salary in Latvia, median 2020-2022

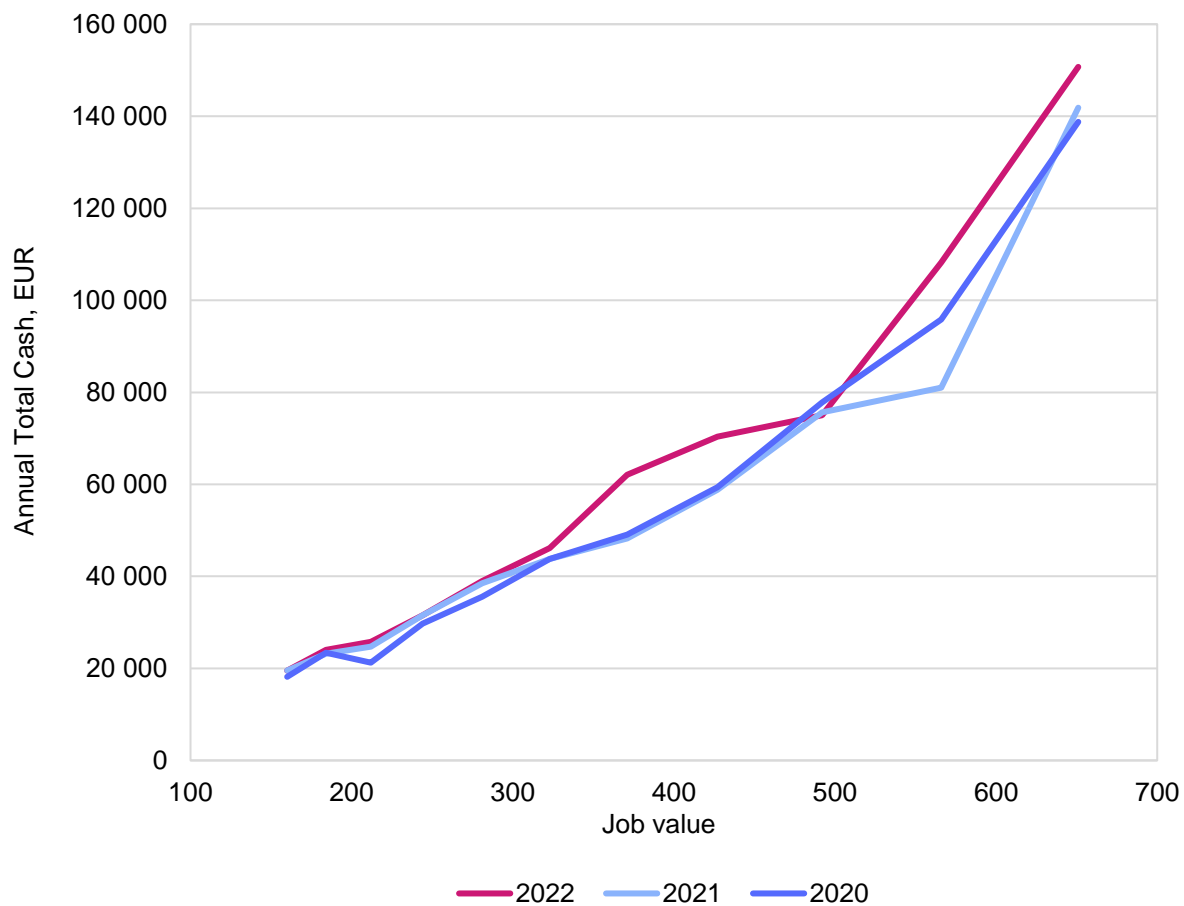


**Table 6. Monthly Base Salary Levels by Job Value Points, median 2020-2022**

Job value points	Monthly Base Salary			Percentage difference		Monetary difference	
	2022	2021	2020	2022 vs 2021	2022 vs 2020	2022 vs 2021	2022 vs 2020
160	1 560	1 494	1 500	4%	4%	66	60
184	1 774	1 760	1 723	1%	3%	14	51
212	1 983	1 778	1 612	12%	23%	205	371
244	2 199	2 130	2 117	3%	4%	69	82
281	2 860	2 820	2 648	1%	8%	40	212
323	3 406	3 236	3 173	5%	7%	170	233
371	3 861	3 595	3 501	7%	10%	266	360
427	4 799	4 100	4 054	17%	18%	699	745
492	5 416	5 286	5 181	2%	5%	130	235
566	6 824	5 278	5 970	29%	14%	1 546	854
651	10 109	9 978	9 206	1%	10%	131	903
Average:				8%	10%	303 EUR	373 EUR



**Graph 13. Annual Total Cash in Latvia, median 2020-2022**





**Table 7. Annual Total Cash Levels by Job Value Points, median 2020-2022**

Job value points	Annual Total Cash			Percentage difference		Monetary difference	
	2022	2021	2020	2022 vs 2021	2022 vs 2020	2022 vs 2021	2022 vs 2020
160	19 525	19 548	18 180	0%	7%	-23	1 345
184	24 059	23 171	23 437	4%	3%	888	622
212	25 799	24 733	21 280	4%	21%	1 066	4 519
244	31 571	31 538	29 752	0%	6%	33	1 819
281	39 021	38 507	35 599	1%	10%	514	3 422
323	46 162	43 809	43 774	5%	5%	2 353	2 388
371	62 080	48 248	49 060	29%	27%	13 832	13 020
427	70 339	58 843	59 389	20%	18%	11 496	10 950
492	75 015	75 657	77 810	-1%	-4%	-642	-2 795
566	108 234	81 024	95 814	34%	13%	27 210	12 420
651	150 724	141 855	138 774	6%	9%	8 869	11 950
Average:				9%	10%	5 963 EUR	5 424 EUR



## APPENDIX A - SURVEY PARTICIPANTS

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1. AbbVie SIA   | 14. GL Pharma Riga SIA                     |
| 2. Accord Healthcare GmbH Latvijas filiāle                | 15. Lundbeck Latvia SIA                    |
| 3. Amgen Switzerland AG Rīgas filiāle                     | 16. Merck Serono SIA                       |
| 4. AstraZeneca Latvija SIA                                | 17. Mylan Healthcare SIA                   |
| 5. Bayer SIA  | 18. Novartis Baltics SIA                   |
| 6. Berlin-Chemie Menarini Baltic SIA                      | 19. Novo Nordisk AS ĀKP                    |
| 7. Biogen Latvia SIA                                      | 20. Pfizer Luxembourg SARL filiāle Latvijā |
| 8. Bionorica SE ĀKP                                       | 21. Roche Latvija SIA                      |
| 9. Boehringer Ingelheim RCV GmbH & Co KG Latvijas filiāle | 22. Sandoz d.d. Latvia filiāle             |
| 10. Chemical Works of Gedeon Richter Plc. ĀKP             | 23. Santen Oy ĀKP                          |
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| 13. Eli Lilly (Suisse) S.A. ĀKP                           | 26. Takeda Latvia SIA                      |
|   | 27. UAB Teva Baltics filiāle Latvijā       |
|   | 28. Worwag Pharma GmbH&Co.KG ĀKP           |



## APPENDIX B - TERMS

<b>Job family</b>	A group of jobs similar in contents according to the Job Families Catalogue.
<b>Job family level</b>	In the Job Families Catalogue, the job families have been divided into different levels according to their complexity, responsibility, and established requirements. The number of the level is of importance only within the same job family and the value of this level need not coincide with the same level jobs of other job families.
<b>Job value in points</b>	The relative value of a job in points. Each job family level has a point value, which makes the jobs different in comparable contents.
<b>Monthly base salary</b>	Gross monthly salary stipulated in the contract of employment. Monthly base salary includes fixed extra payments for mobility, tenure, qualification level, competence. It does not comprise extra pay for night work or overtime, holiday pay or incentives.
<b>Guaranteed allowances</b>	Allowances paid on agreed terms (not required by the law, regularly paid). Do not include data that is already included in hourly or monthly base salary (qualification, skills etc.).
<b>Annual base salary</b>	$\text{Monthly base salary} * 12 + \text{Base hourly rate} * 168 * 12 + \text{Guaranteed allowances}$ .
<b>Statutory allowances</b>	Allowance required by the law. Those allowances are paid if job is containing nightshifts, work during the weekends or holidays etc. Does not include overtime pay.
<b>Sales incentives</b>	Incentives of sales or fulfilling sales target. Sales incentives might be paid in a different regularity.
<b>Short-term incentives</b>	Variable (not guaranteed) pay, which depends on individual, team or organization performance that is paid on a monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis. Goals are clearly set and known for the employee. Variable pay is paid if the tasks are achieved or the performance has been even better.
<b>Short-term/sales incentives target</b>	Target bonus as % of annual base salary.
<b>Short-term/sales incentives maximum</b>	Maximum bonus as % of annual base salary.
<b>Long-term incentives</b>	Variable (not guaranteed) pay that depends on individual, team, or organization performance. Goals are clearly set and known to the employee. Variable pay is paid if the tasks are achieved or the performance has been even better. Vesting period is more than one year
<b>Annual total cash</b>	$\text{Annual base salary} + \text{Statutory allowances} + \text{Sales incentives} + \text{Variable short-term incentives} + \text{Long term calculated incentives}$
<b>NoJ/NoO</b>	Number of jobs (NoJ) and number of organizations (NoO) in the analysis.
<b>Average</b>	The arithmetic weighted average, which is obtained by summing up all the values and then dividing the sum by the total number thereof.
<b>90% decile</b>	90% of salaries are smaller than the presented value.
<b>75% quartile</b>	75% of salaries are smaller than the presented value.
<b>Median</b>	The central member in the sequence of salaries, which are ordered from the highest to the smallest. Precisely 50% of the salaries are higher and 50% of the salaries are smaller than the presented value.
<b>25% quartile</b>	25% of salaries are smaller than the presented value.
<b>10% decile</b>	10% of salaries are smaller than the presented value.

## APPENDIX C - ANALYTICAL JOB EVALUATION METHOD

Analytical job evaluation is a technique designed to enable trained evaluators to evaluate and judge the size of one job relative to others. Analytical job evaluation method is described in Figure Handbook of Job Evaluation of Intellectual and Physical Jobs. The method has been created and developed by Figure and bases on ILO recommended method. It is used in all three Baltic States.

Jobs are evaluated based on education and professional experience, work characteristics and accountability. For describing these factors the following criteria are used:

<b>Education</b>	Describes the education required for fulfilling the tasks.
<b>Professional experience</b>	Describes the experience required for the job. The amount of points depends on two factors: 1) experience in the respective area and 2) experience of the respective occupation (e.g. management, project management, etc.).
<b>Work complexity</b>	Describes the extent to which work environment, work methods and tasks are described, also the complexity of work process.
<b>Mental effort</b>	Describes the complexity of problem solving and decision-making process; the number of alternatives to be addressed in finding solutions; the amount of information that requires processing, creativity needed in seeking new solutions.
<b>Co-operation and management</b>	Describes the scope and characteristics of management, coordination and cooperation.
<b>Responsibility for work processes</b>	Describes the amount of all processes to be managed by the respective position, the scope and number of structural units in the sphere of responsibility of this position.
<b>Accountability for decisions</b>	Shows how comprehensive and far-reaching are the effects of the decisions made by this position.
<b>Work methods</b>	Describes the level of mechanization and automation of the work process (is evaluated in case of physical work).
<b>Physical effort</b>	Describes the daily physical effort required from the employee (is evaluated in case of physical work).
<b>Working conditions</b>	Describes the amount and level of unhealthy and stress-inducing factors accompanying the job.

Analytical job evaluation method is universal and is applicable in every organization and with all jobs. When compared with job family classification method analytical method is more precise and enables to evaluate and compare jobs for which there is the small amount of similar jobs description available in the labour market. Figure analytical job evaluation points scale and job family classification scale are compatible.

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