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Regional gross disposable household income: 2022

Information on the amount of money that the individuals in the household sector have available for spending or saving after income distribution measures have taken effect for 2022.

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Introduction

The most recent data in this report is for 2022, with comparisons made to the previous year. The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic affected the components of GDHI differently and this is reflected in some unusual movements in the data for 2020 and 2021, particularly when looking at smaller geographical areas.

Main points

- Total gross disposable household income (GDHI) in Wales in 2022 was £58 billion, an increase of 4.4% compared to 2021. Total GDHI for the UK increased by 6.3% over the same period to £1,541 billion.
- GDHI per head in Wales in 2022 was £18,652 or 81.8% of the UK figure, down 1.4 percentage points relative to the UK from 2021.
- GDHI per head in Wales in 2022 was the second lowest amongst the UK countries and English regions.
- Between 2021 and 2022, Wales saw the smallest percentage increase in GDHI per head out of the UK countries and English regions, up 3.5%, compared to a 5.3% increase for the UK. The largest increase was in the South West (up 6.1%).

Previously there was a discontinuity in population data for some areas, caused by differences in the timing of census updates. The Office for National Statistics (ONS) have updated the population estimates for all UK nations to include rebased estimates covering the years between the censuses (2012 to 2020 in England and Wales and 2012 to 2021 in Scotland). As a result, there is no longer any discontinuity in the population estimates in this release.

Data for lower geographies (including local authorities) is available on the ONS website.

Further information

For further information on the quality and methodology of the data used in this headline please see ONS' Regional Gross Disposable Household Income quality and methodology information report.

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