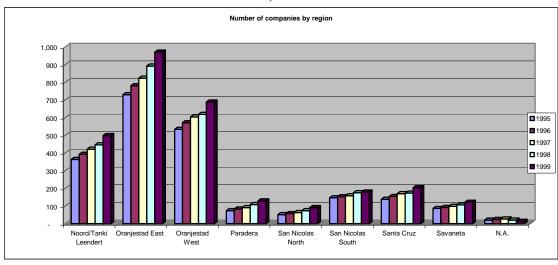


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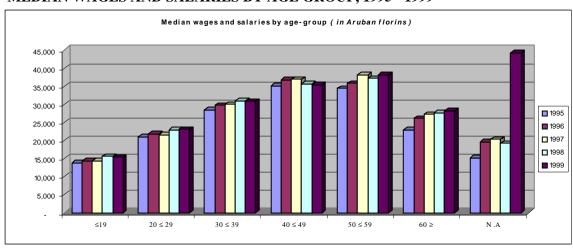
Oranjestad, February 2002 – The second edition of the publication "Enterprises in Aruba, 1995 – 1999" is on the market. The publication "Enterprises in Aruba, 1995 – 1999" contains information of the annual development of companies in Aruba between 1995 and 1999. Information such as number of companies, the number of small, medium and large companies, their geographical location and the sector of industry in which they operate. It also contains data of the number of employees, their gender, age group, the region and the sector that they work and the median annual salary. All this information is found on different tables and graphics.

NUMBER OF COMPANIES BY REGION, 1995 - 1999



Analyzing the graphic above one observes that the number of companies increased every year from 1995 to 1999. Approximatley 75% of all companies in Aruba are located in Oranjestad and Noord / Tanki Leendert.

MEDIAN WAGES AND SALARIES BY AGE GROUP, 1995 - 1999



The graphic above shows what the annual median salary is for the different age categories. Persons between the ages of 50 and 59 have the highest median salaries, the lowest median salaries belong the category of 19 years old or lower.

4.5 MEDIAN WAGES AND SALARIES BY BRANCH OF INDUSTRY (in Aruban florins)

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BRANCH OF INDUSTRY		1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Α	Agriculture, hunting and forestry	15,974	17,624	18,153	16,917	17,183
С	Mining and quarrying	24,432	25,252	26,009	26,997	23,807
D	Manufacturing	20,339	21,784	22,437	23,800	25,200
E	Electricity, gas and water supply	47,769	50,461	51,975	54,323	55,952
F	Construction	23,373	25,456	26,186	25,569	26,717
G	Wholesale and retail trade	18,075	19,155	19,718	20,577	21,146
Н	Hotels and restaurants	21,675	23,423	24,112	24,982	25,540
1	Transport, storage and communications	35,784	34,947	35,972	33,605	35,190
J	Financial intermediation	32,771	34,963	35,957	37,888	38,631
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	21,480	21,466	22,051	22,959	24,000
L	Public administration and defence; social securities	40,830	42,752	43,979	45,002	46,391
М	Education	38,541	40,205	41,410	45,870	47,446
N	Health and social work	29,538	32,742	33,670	34,197	35,124
0	Other community, social and personal service activities	18,946	20,368	20,915	22,104	23,882
N.A.	Not reported	16,325	30,770	31,693	21,932	35,797
TOTAL		27,277	28,379	29,201	29,721	30,541

This table shows the development of the median salary for the different sectors of the industry for the last couple of years. The sector "Electricity, gas and water supply" remains as the sector with highest median salaries while the sector "Agriculture, hunting and forestry" has the lowest median salaries.

With the three examples mentioned a brief indication of the contents of the publication, "Enterprises in Aruba, 1995 - 1999" was given.

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