

34.4 Personnel expenses

Personnel expenses for the year amount to €537.6 million, up by €25.9 million on 2014.

The item is made up as follows:

(€'000)	2015	2014	Variation
Wages and salaries	397,946	381,573	16,373
Social security and pension contributions	74,882	68,363	6,519
Post-employment benefits and employee benefits	15,444	15,561	(117)
Other	49,281	46,108	3,173
Total	537,553	511,605	25,948

[&]quot;Other" mainly relates to termination benefits and reimbursements of travel expenses.

The variation in the losses on the sale of property, plant and equipment is mainly due to the sale of a TBM of Consorzio Cociv (high speed railway Milan-Genoa section), which is no longer usable.

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