



Payscales for different grades of Roman soldier in Auxiliary units
Cohors - Infantry units **Ala** - Cavalry units

PAY SCALE (X basic pay)	COHORS RANK (infantry) in ascending order	AMOUNT (denarii)	ALA RANK (cavalry) (in ascending order)	Amount (denarii)
1 X <i>caligati</i> –‘rankers’	Pedes <i>infantryman</i>	188	Gregalis <i>ala cavalryman</i>	263
1.5 X <i>sesquiplicarii</i> ‘one-and-half-pay men’	Tesserarius corporal	282	Sesquiplicarius corporal	395
2 X <i>duplicarii</i> ‘double-pay men’	Signifer <i>centuria</i> standard-bearer Optio centurion's deputy Vexillarius cohort standard-bearer	376	Signifer <i>turma</i> standard-bearer Curator decurion's deputy Vexillarius <i>ala</i> standard-bearer	526
Over 5 X	Centurio (n) <i>centuria</i> commander Centurio princeps chief centurion Beneficiarius deputy cohort commander	940 +	Decurio benefici = <i>turma</i> commander Decurio princeps chief benefici Beneficiarius deputy <i>ala</i> commander	1,315 +
50 X	Praefectus or Tribunus cohort commander	9,400	Praefectus or Tribunus (<i>ala</i> commander)	13,150

Infantry *Cohors* were divided into *centuria* (centuries) of 80 men under the leadership of a *Centurio* (Centurion)
Cavalry *Ala* were divided into *turma* of 60 men and their horses under the leadership of a *Decurio* (Decurion)



Payment for an auxiliary foot soldier (*pedes cohortalis*) compared to a legionary foot soldier.

Remuneration (payment)	Legionary Pedes amount (<i>denarii</i>) per annum	Auxiliary Pedes amount (<i>denarii</i>) per annum
Stipendium (gross salary)	225	188
Less: deduction for food	60	60
Less: deductions for equipment etc	50	50
Net pay	115	78
Plus: Donativa (bonuses) (average: 75 <i>denarii</i> every 3 years)	25	
Total income	140	78
Praemia (discharge bonus: 3,000 <i>denarii</i>)	120	