



Montana Department of LABOR & INDUSTRY

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Montana's Minimum Wage will rise to \$7.80 per hour January 1, 2013, pursuant to Montana Code Annotated 39-3-409.

The law requires a minimum wage adjustment annually based on changes in inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) from August of the preceding year to August of the year in which the calculation is made. An adjustment to the minimum wage is to be calculated no later than September 30 of each year based upon any increase in the CPI, rounded to the nearest five cents.

The current 2012 minimum wage rate is \$7.65. Based on an increase in the CPI of 1.7% from August, 2011 to August, 2012, the calculation used for determining the minimum wage rate for 2013 is as follows:

$$\$7.65 \times .017\% = \$.13, \text{ rounded to } \$0.15$$

Information relating to Montana's minimum wage may be downloaded from DLI's website at www.mtwagehourbopa.com

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