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## LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

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MADAM: I have the honor to submit a report presenting an analysis of the State minimum-wage laws and orders now in effect. Compiled with the closest attention to detail, these analyses are in great demand among the persons interested in the expanding program of the minimum wage.
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Respectfully submitted
Hon. Frances Perkins,
Secretary of Labor.

## STATE MINIMUM-WAGE LAWS AND ORDERS

December 1938
SUMMARY
During the quarter of a century since the first minimum-wage law in the United States was passed, ${ }^{1}$ the total number of such laws has increased to $27-25$ States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico having this type of legislation at the close of 1938. The States with wage laws on their statute books are Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Colorado, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey,
New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylva
Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin.
Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin.
These laws are broad in their coverage of industries, most of them being all-inclusive with a few listed exemptions, usually domestic service and agriculture. Most of the laws apply to women and minors, the exceptions being the laws of Arkansas, Louisiana, Nevada, South Dakota, and Puerto Rico, which cover women and girls, and the Oklahoma act, which applies to men as well as women and minors. ${ }^{2}$

All but a few of the minimum-wage laws provide for determination of wage rates by conferences or wage boards appointed to study the various industries and make recommendations to the State agencies authorized to fix minimum wages and issue orders. In Nevada, South Dakota, and Puerto Rico, however, the minimum wages to be paid were determined by the legislatures and are specified in the laws While this is true also in Arkansas, the industrial welfare commission of that State has power to revise and adjust the wage to the cost of living.
Under the terms of the laws of Arkansas, California, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, and the District of Columbia, the minimum-wage rates must be adequate to supply the necessary cost of living.

In Connecticut, Illinois, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Ohio, and Rhode Island the laws provide for setting wages "fairly and reasonably commensurate with the value of the service or class of service rendered" if there is evidence that wages paid are oppressive and unreasonable, that is, less than the fair and reasonable value of the service rendered and less than sufficient to meet the minimum cost of living necessary for health. The Rhode Island law says also that the wage board may consider what wages the industry can afford to pay. Arizona,

[^0]${ }^{2}$ Court action is pending in Oklahoma, where a technical defect in the law may invalidate it in its applica-
tion to men and minors. Enforcement of wage orders is prevented at present by injunction.

Kentucky, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania provide for a fair wage commensurate with the value of the service rendered and that the wage board in determining a minimum wage may ${ }^{3}$ take into account the cost of living; New York provides that the wage board may take into account the value of the service rendered and the amount sufficient to provide adequate maintenance and protect health. Wages paid in the State for work of like or comparable character by employers voluntarily maintaining minimum fair wage standards may be considered by the wage boards in Arizona, Connecticut, Illinois, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island. ${ }^{3}$

Though under most of the laws the minimum wage is determined for each industry separately and orders have been issued in some States for a wide coverage of industries, two States-Minnesota and Wis-consin-have issued blanket orders applying to all industries in the State. ${ }^{4}$

Minimum-wage rates in effect at time of writing. (December 1938) apply to approximately $1,000,000$ women. With minimum-wage laws operating in more than half the States, including the most important industrial States, potential coverage extends to an estimated 4,000,000 women. ${ }^{5}$

In all, 108 wage orders have been issued, and-including the rates set in laws-minimum-wage rates are in effect in 22 States, ${ }^{6}$ the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. These rates vary by State and industry, ${ }^{7}$ but it is a significant fact that 87 percent of the rates set for women in manufacturing industries exceed the 25 -cent hourly minimum fixed in the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act for persons employed in industries engaged in interstate commerce. ${ }^{8}$ In fact, 35 percent run from 35 to 40 cents an hour, 72 percent are 30 cents an hour or more. Considering all rates set under State minimum-wage laws for women-for intrastate as well as interstate industries- 90 percent exceed 25 cents, 74 percent are 30 cents or over, and 29 percent are 35 cents an hour or more.

Analyses follow of State minimum-wage laws and the wage orders issued under authority of the laws.

[^1]ANALYSIS OF. STATE MINIMUM-WAGE ORDERS ${ }^{1}$

| State, order, and effective date | Occupation or industry covered | Class of employees covered | Minimum-wage rates | Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arizona: <br>  1938. <br> Mandatory, Feb. 1, 1939. | Retail, i. e., all selling of merchandise to consumer and not for purposes of resale in any form. Exception: Area extending 5 miles from port of entry at Nogales. | Women and female minors: Experienced | \$16 a week | 48 a week (8 a day, 6 days), or 42 a week (6 a day, 7 days). Less than 4 days a week, 8 hours each. |
|  |  | Inexperienced: <br> First 6 months | $\$ 12.50$ a week$271 /$ cent | 4 S a week (8 a day, 6 days), or <br> 42 a week ( 6 a day, 7 days) <br> Less than 4 days a week, 8 |
|  |  | Second 6 months |  |  |
|  |  |  | \$14 a week | 48 a week (8 a day, 6 days), or |
|  |  |  | 30 cents an hour | Less than 4 days a week, 8 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Arkansas: } \\ & \text { Mar.20,1915. (Wage } \\ & \text { fixed in law.)? } \end{aligned}$ | Manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment, laundry, express or transportation company, hotel, restaurant, eating place, bank, building and loan association, insurance complying water or electricity; work in elevators. Exceptions: Cotton factories; gathering offruits or farm products; railroad companies whose hours are regulated by Federal laws. | Females: <br> Experienced <br> Inexperienced (less than 6 months) <br> All- |  | 9 a day, 54 a week. ${ }^{3}$ <br> Do. ${ }^{3}$ <br> Over 9 a day. 4 <br> Less than 9 a day. |
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| California: <br> No. 5a, Apr. 8, 1923.-- | Mercantile. Exceptions: Workers in food catering departments. (See Order No. 12a.) |  |  |  |
|  |  | Experienced <br> Inexperienced: <br> Women ( 2 periods, 6 months each) <br> Minors ( 4 periods, 6 months each) <br> Elevator operators (3 weeks) <br> Part-time (employed on hourly basis <br> less than 8 hours a day): <br> Women <br> ameicma | \$16 a week <br> \$12, \$14 a week <br> $\$ 10, \$ 11, \$ 12, \$ 14$ a week <br> \$12 a week | Standard week. ${ }^{6}$ |
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|  |  |  | 40 cen | Less than 8 a day. |

${ }^{1}$ Provisions of flat-rate laws also included.
${ }_{2}^{2}$ Digest of statutes 1921, secs. 7108, 7114; supplement 1927, secs. 7109-7110; session laws 1935, Act 150; 1937, Act 83 .
${ }_{4}^{3}$ Legal maximum hours.
work irreparable injury.
s Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week. Standard week means regularly established number of hours of work in the place of employment.

ANALYSIS OF STATE MINIMUM-WAGE ORDERS-Continued



${ }^{5}$ Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week. Standard week means regularly established number of hours of work in the place of employment.
Legal maximum hours.
are worked in 1 day and 40 forts an hour for less than 8 hours a day, i. e., $\$ 16$ only if 48 hours are worked.


No. 2, Jan. 16, 1939.
or wholesale of laundry services; producing of laundry service for their own use by business establishments, clubs, or profit-making instithat pay no wages to workers in their own laundries and in which only inmates are employed; , employees in private homes doing employers' work only. Retail, i. e., selling of merchandise to the consumer, not for the purpose of resale, in any form within the State.

Zone B:10
Experienced

Inexperienced (2 weeks).
Women and minors:
Zone A (cities of 30,000 or more population and 5 miles beyond their boundaries):
Experienced-
Inexperienced:
Women ( 4 m
Minors under 18:
First 3 months
Second 3 months.
Overtime:
For 3 peak week in months and 4 peak weeks in second 6 months of calendar year.
All other times.
Part-time
Zone B (cities and towns of 5000 under 30,000 population):
Experienced
Inexperienced:
Women ( 4 months) --.-.-.----
Minors under 18:
First 3 months
Second 3 months


Over 40 to 45 a w. 45 to 48 a week.

8 a week, 6 days. ${ }^{11}$
48 a week, 6 days. ${ }^{11}$

Do. ${ }^{11}$
Do. ${ }^{11}$
Over 48 to 56 a week. ${ }^{11}$

Over 48 a week. ${ }^{11}$
Less than 48 a week.

48 a week, 6 days. ${ }^{11}$

Do. ${ }^{11}$
Do. ${ }^{11}$
${ }^{5}$ Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week. Standard week means regularly established number of hours of work in the place of employment.
${ }_{8}^{6}$ Legal maximum hours. partment house, hospital, barber shop, place of amusement, restaurant, telegraph or telephone establishment or office, the operation of elevators in office buildings, express or transportation company. Exceptions: Nurses in hospitals; harvesting, curing, canning, or drying of any fruit, fish, or vegetable during period necessary to save products from spoiling.
${ }_{10}$ The order says that women over 18 not subject to the hour law and who receive $\$ 30$ or more a week may be employed over 48 hours in case of emergency.
10 Zone A.- Denver, Pueblo, and within a radius of 15 miles thereof; also, from June 1 to Sept. 1 , Colorado Springs, Estes Park, and within a radius of 15 miles thereof. Zone B. Remainder of State, and from Sept. 2 to May 31, Colorado Springs, Estes Park, and within a radius of 15 miles thereof.
ry peak periods, 1 day's rest in 7 . The minimum-wage law allows for overtime in emergencies if the minimum wage is increased prover a basic 48-hour week, and except during emerlimits hours to 8 a day, without specifying a weekly limit of hours or days.
${ }_{12}$ Applicable only to part-time workers defined as workers who request and are granted a permit by the industrial commission to work less than 24 hours a week. Other workers employed any number of hours up to and including 40 a week must be paid $\$ 12.80$ in zone A, $\$ 11.20$ in zone B.

| State, order, and effective date | Occupation or industry covered | Class of employees covered | Minimum-wage rates | Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Colorado-Continued. No. 2, Jan. 16, 1939 (Continued) | Retail, i. e., selling of merchandise to the consumer, not for the purpose of resale, in any form within the State. | Women and minors-Continued. <br> Zone B-Continued. <br> Overtime: <br> For 3 peak weeks in first 6 months and 4 peak weeks in second 6 months of calendar year. <br> All other times $\qquad$ | Regular hourly rate.-.-.---.-.-- | Over 48 to 56 a week. ${ }^{11}$ |
|  |  |  | Time and one-half the regular hourly rate. <br> Hourly rate for full-time workers. | Over 48 a week. ${ }^{11}$ |
|  |  | Part-time Zone C (towns and communities under 5,000 population): |  | Less than 48 a week. |
|  |  | Experienced <br> Inexperienced: | $\$ 11$ a week; $222^{1112}$ cents an hour.- <br> 75 percent of minimum for experienced workers. | 48 a week, 6 days. ${ }^{11}$ |
|  |  | Women (4 months) |  | Do. ${ }^{11}$ |
|  |  | Minors under 18: First 3 months. Second 3 months |  | Do. ${ }^{11}$ Do. ${ }^{11}$ |
|  |  |  | $871 / 2$ percent of minimum for experienced workers. |  |
|  |  | For 3 peak weeks in first 6 months and 4 peak weeks in second 6 months of calendar year. | Regular hourly rate----------.--- | Over 48 to 56 a week. ${ }^{11}$ |
|  |  |  | Time and one-half the regular hourly rate. <br> Hourly rates for full-time workers. | Over 48 a week. ${ }^{11}$ |
|  |  | Part-time |  | Less than 48 a week. |
| Connecticut: [No. 1] |  | Women and minors (home workers).-- | $\$ 13$ a week ( 12 cents per gross yards, 1 thread; 18 cents per gross yards, 2 threads). | 40 a week. |
| Directory, Mar. 21, 1934. |  |  |  |  |
| Directory, Feb. 15, | Men's single pants, i. e., men's or boys' single pants, including long pants, knee pants and slacks, of any material; operations incidental to the manufacture of such products. | Women and minors: <br> Experienced <br> Inexperienced: <br> First 3 months <br> Second 3 months. | 35 cents an hour $\qquad$ <br> 20 cents an hour $\qquad$ <br> 25 cents an hour. $\qquad$ | 9 a day, 48 a week. ${ }^{13}$Do. ${ }^{13}$ |
| 1938. |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Do. ${ }^{13}$ |


 emergency peak periods, 1 day's rest in 7. The minimum-wage law allows for overtime in emergencies if the minimum wage is increased. The hour law, applicable to female 16 and over, limits hours to 8 a day, witbout specifying a weekly limit of hours or days. day, 55 a week, for not more than 8 weeks in any 12 consecutive months.
i4, Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week. Standard workweek means regular workweek fixed in any establishment.
${ }^{15}$ For a girl who has reached her 18th birthday after 12 months' experience, the minimum is $\$ 17$; after 6 months' experience, $\$ 15$.

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State, order, and effec
tive date

District of Columbia Continued No. 4, May 8, 1938

No. 5, July 5, 1938

Occupation or industry covered

Public housekeeping, i. e., waitresses, cooks, counter girls, salad girls, food checkers, bus girls, vegetable girls, dish and glass washers, kitchen help, chambermaids, parlor maids, linen-room girls, cleaners, janitresses, charelevator operators, cashiers, clerical workers, and all such nonprofessional workers as may be properly classified in this occupation in (1) estaurants, either licensed or unlicensed whether operated as the principal business of another business, (2) lunch counters, (3) cafeterias, (4) catering, banquet, or box-lunch service, (5) curb service, (6) boarding houses that offer meals for sale to 5 or more persons, and (7) all other establishments whatsoever
where lunches, meals, or food in either solid and/or liquid form are prepared for and served to the public, (8) hotels, (9) apartment houses, (10) rooming houses offering rooms for rent to 5 or more persons, (11) auto-camps, (12) clubs, (13) hospitals, (14) private schools, (15) coling rooms for rent to the public; and (17) women engaged in the care and servicing of apartment houses, theaters, office buildings, retail stores, and other similar establishments as aundry, dry cleaning, and dy ing, dyeing, pressing or processing or any other work incidental thereto, for compensation, of clothing (including hats), household furnishings, rugs, textiles, fur, leather, or fabric of any or distribution at retail or wholesale of these services; and the producing of such services on its own behalf by any establishment, business, institution or club, or hospital, which services
may be incidental to its present business.

| Class of employees covered | Minimum-wage rates | Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Women and minors: |  |  |
| Telephone operators, hat-check girls, elevator operators, cashiers, | \$17 a week | 40 to 48 a week or standard week. ${ }^{16}$ |
| clerical workers, and all similar | 40 cents an hour | Less than 40 a week or less |
| Counter girls, salad girls, food check- | \$16.50 a week | 40 to 48 a week or standard |
| workers. | 40 cents an hour | Less than 40 a week or less |
| Chambermaids, parlor maids, linenroom girls, cleaners, janitresses, charwomen, vegetable girls, dish and glass washers, kitchen help, and all similar workers. <br> Waitresses | \$14.50 a week | than standard week. ${ }^{16}$ 40 to 48 a week or standard |
|  | 35 cents an hour | Less than 40 a week or less than standard week. ${ }^{16}$ |
|  | $\$ 13.25$ a week; $\$ 16.50$ where tipping is not allowed. <br> 40 cents an hour. | 36 to 48 a week or standard week. ${ }^{16}$ <br> Less than 36 a week or less |
|  | (Deductions allowed for meals or lodging.) | than standard week. ${ }^{16}$ |
| Women and minors: <br> Productive plant workers and similar workers. |  |  |
|  | \$14.50 a week | Over 16 to 44 a week. |
|  | 35 cents an hour | Over 44 to 48 a week, or over |
|  | 40 cents an hour | 16 or less a week. |
| Store clerks and similar workers: Experienced | $\$ 17$ a week | 40 to 48 a week or standard week. ${ }^{14}$ |
|  | 40 cents an hour------------------ | Less than 40 a week or less than standard week. |



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Nonprofessional workers included are washers, cleaners, dyers, sorters, classifiers, shakers, tarchers, markers, catchers, ironers, pressers, flat-work operators, press operators, folders,
finishers, packers, wrappers, menders, foreladies, solicitors, collectors, distributors, sellers, office workers, elevator operators elephone operators, and all others engaged directly or indirectly in washing, ironing, processing, cleaning, dyeing, repairing, coldry, dry cleaning or dyeing services at retail or wholesale, in laundry, dry cleaning, dyeing ressing establishments, department stores, otels, institutions or in any other type of establishment where such work is performed.
Beauty culture or cosmetology, i. e., selling or servicing in occupations such as shampooing, waving, straightening, tinting, dyeing, bleachng, cutting, trimming hair; eyebrow and eyeash care; manicuring; pedicuring; massaging; use of electric needle; health and beauty treatments, including facial treatments, baths and calisthenics; and any other phase of the busiaess

Inexperienced (2 months) Office workers, elevator and telephone operators and similar
$\$ 17$ a week.
40 cents an hour

40 to 48 a week. ${ }^{14}$ 40 to 48 a week or standard Less than 40 a week or less than standard week

Women and minors
maty culturists, cosmetologists, manicurists, hairdressers, and similar workers

Registered learners
unior operator (for 4 month ater unior operator (for 4 months aft Cashiers, telephone operators, a pointment desk clerks, clerical workers, and similar workers.

Maids and cleaners $\qquad$

14 Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week. Standard workweek means regular workweek fixed in any establishment.
16 Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week, for women in most occupations and for minors under 18 . Standard workweek means regular workweek in any establishment. For workers whose hours are not limited by law, an additional 5 cents an hour must
are worked in 2 consecutive weeks.
${ }^{18}$ Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week, for minors under 18 ; the same for women if shop can be classified as a mercantile establishment, i. e., if it sells other than service. Standard workweek means regular workweek fixed in any establishment

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and cleaning women; all females and male beauty shop.

Wash dress, i. e., production or manufacture of
women's and children's cotton, rayon, and linen dresses, aprons, and uniforms.

Laundry and dry cleaning, i. e., any activity concerned with the washing, ironing, or pro-
cessing incidental thereto of any kind of fabric cessing incidental thereto of any kind of fabric
or laundry wares; collection, distribution, or sale of laundry service; any activity directly concerned with the cleaning, refreshing, or restoration of any fabric or article of wearing apparel including pressing or other work inci dental thereto or performed in connection dry-cleaning service. The producing or ren dering of any of the above activities or services by the employer upon his own behalf or for others.
Electrical equipment and supplies, i. e., incandescent lamps, electric-lighting accessories,
radios, radio parts, mica, insulated wire, fuses, signal and protective systems, and various kinds of electrical appliances and devices for household and office use, telephone cords, fire-alarm apparatus, electric-light sockets, electric irons, and similar devices.

Second year


Experian minor

Inexperienced (4 weeks).
Women and minors:
Experienced-......-3 ( $n$ months, 3 in 1 fac
tory).
Women and minors:
Experienced -
Inexperienced ( 6 months, 3 in 1 fac
tory).
Women and minors:
Experienced -
Inexperienced ( 6 months, 3 in 1 fac
tory).
$\$ 12.50$ a week
$\$ 12.50$ a week
42 cents an hour
56 cents an hour
$\$ 15$ a week-
50 cents an hour
66 cents an hour-
30 cents an hour
\$3 a day...-
Same as rates for more than 48 hours a week.
$\$ 14.80$ a week; 37 cents an hour
$\$ 7.40$ a week

30 cents an hour.
33 cents an hour; but not more
a week.
$271 / 2$ cents an hour---
45 a week.
Over 45 to 48 a week.
Over 48 a week. ${ }^{.11}$
Sundays and legal holidays.
Sundays and legal ho
45 a week.
Over 45 to 48 a wee
Over 48 a week. ${ }^{21}$.
8 a days, and legal hoek. 41
8 a day or less
Over 8 a day. ${ }^{11}$
40 a week.
Do.
Do.
Over 40 a week. ${ }^{10}$
35 or over a week. ${ }^{22}$
Less than 35 a week.
9 a day, 48 a week. ${ }^{22}$
${ }^{19}$ Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week for females.
${ }^{20}$ Regal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week; in mercantile establishments 9 a day, 54 a week, allowed during 4 weeks a year.
${ }_{22}$ Legal maximum hours 9 a day, 48 a week, for women and minors 16 and under 18 . Full time (where indicated) means the number of hours a week required by employer and permitted by State law.

## 45 a week.

Over 45 to 48 a week
Sundays and legal holidays.
45 a week.
Over 48 a week. ${ }^{21}$
Sundays and legal holidays.
Over 44 a week.
Less than 30 a week.
40 to 48 a week.
Less than 40 a week.
40 to 48 a week.
Less than 40 a week
40 a week.
Over 40 a week. ${ }^{10}$

40 a week.
Over 40 to
Over $44 .{ }^{2}$.
week
Over 40 to 44 a week.
Less than 25 a week.
40 a week.
Over 40 to 44 a week.


5 cents an hour
30 cents an hour



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Men's furnishings, i. e., overalls, work shirts,
work pants, garters, suspenders, dress shirts, neckwear, collars, underwear, and pajamas.

Brush.

Women's clothing, i. e., coats, suits, skirts, dresses, waists, and blouses.

Corset, ie., corsets, girdles, corset-brassiere combinations, belts, bands, garters to complete a garment, and all similar related lines.
tationery goods and envelopes, including tablets, blankbooks, tissue-paper products, greeting cards, card-filing equipment, and miscel-
laneous paper goods. laneous paper goods.

Toys, games, and sporting goods, i. e., toys, games, kindergarten supplies, and sporting goods.

Women's and children's underwear, neckwear, and cotton garment, i. e., house dresses, aprons, similar lines.
Druggists' preparations, proprietary medicines, and chemical compounds, i. e., salves, linicosmetics, perfumes, toilet waters, cold creams, hair restorers, cough syrups, pills, druggists' supplies, headache powders, troches, tooth powders, elixirs, ointments, tinctures,

Women and minors: Experienced:-
Less than 3 months
3 to 6 months --
Women and minors
Inexperienced ( 6 months)
Women and minors
Experienced
Inexparienced ( 36 wee

Women and minors
Experienced
Inexperienced (under age 17, less than 1 year in industry)

Women and minors:
Experienced:
18 years and over
Under 18
Inexperienced (under age 18, less than 9 months in 1 establishment or on a specific operation)
Women and minors:
Experienced-
Inexperienced:
Less than 6 weeks
6 weeks to 1 year
Overtime-
Women and minors:
Experienced -
Less than 3 months
3 to 6 months
Women and minors
Experienced
Less than 6 months
6 months to 1 year.

| \$14 a week; 35 cents an hour- | 40 a week. ${ }^{22}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\$ 8.50$ a week; $21 \frac{1}{4}$ cents an hour$\$ 10$ a week; 25 cents an hour. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Do. } 22 \\ & \text { Do. }{ }^{22} \end{aligned}$ |
| $321 / 2$ cents an hour <br> 24 cents an hour | $\begin{aligned} & 9 \text { a day, } 48 \text { a week. } 29 \\ & \text { Do. } 22 \end{aligned}$ |
| 35 cents an hour.- <br> 25 cents an hour... | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Do. } 22 \\ & \text { Do. } 22 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\$ 14$ a week; $291 / 6$ cents an hour... $\$ 10$ a week; $20 \%$ cents an hour.-. | $\text { Full timee }{ }_{\text {Do. }}{ }^{22}$ |
| \$14.50 a week | 44 a week or less. |
| 33 cents an hour | Over 44 a week. ${ }^{22}$ |
| \$13.75 a week | 44 a week or less. |
| 311/4 cents an hour | Over 44 a week. ${ }^{22}$ |
| \$11.50 a week | 44 a week or less. |
| 261/4 cents. | Over 44 a week. ${ }^{22}$ |
| \$14 a week; 35 cents an hour--.-- | 40 a week. |
| \$11 a week; $271 / 2$ cents an hour--- | Do. |
| $\$ 13$ a week; $321 / 2$ cents an hour Pro rata | Over $40 .{ }^{22}$ |
| \$14 a week; 35 cents an hour----- | 40 a week. ${ }^{22}$ |
| $\$ 8.50$ a week; $211 / 4$ cents an hour$\$ 10$ a week; 25 cents an hour-..-- | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Do. }{ }^{22} \\ & \text { Do } 22 \end{aligned}$ |
| 35 cents an hour. | 9 a day, 48 a week. ${ }^{23}$ |
| 25 cents an hour | $\text { Do. }{ }^{22}$ |

${ }^{22}$ Legal maximum hours 9 a day, 48 a week, for women and minors 16 and under 18 . Full time (where indicated) means the number of hours a week required by employer and permitted by State law.

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emales:
Inexperienced

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or curb service; the term "food" includes nutritive material intended for human consumption, in solid or liquid form, whether cooked or uncooked, or otherwise prepared, excluding, however, medicinal or quasi-medical preparations.
Clothing and
women's clothing, winter outfits, gloves handkerchiefs, aprons, and other similar accessories.

Hosiery and knit goods, i. e., hosiery, underwear berets, gloves, and other knitted articles; any activity directly concerned with the manufac cone or knit goods. Excceptions: Occupations plant maintenance; office work. Beautician occupation, i. e., any activity concerned with hairdressing, manicuring, or any other branch of cosmetology.

Laundry, i . e., any activity in marking, sorting washing, ironing, assembling, packaging, and of clothing, napery, blankets, bed clothing, or fabrics of any kind or their collection or delivery, irrespective of the nature of the business of the employer, and all occupations in estabishments. Cofficeworkers Exception: Office workers.

## Women and minors:

Experienced
Winter outfits and men's clothing-
Handkerchiefs, aprons, gloves, wandkerchiefs, aprons, gloves,
women's house dresses, and similar accessories.
Women and minors:
Experienced
Inexperience
Inexperienced ( 6 months)

Women and minors:
Licensed hairdressers
licensed operators and hairdressers
(less than 1 year).
Apprentices (3 to 6 months)
Students working on customer
Women and minors:
Zone A (Bergen, Essex, Hudsen, Union Counties)

Zone B (Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Mercer, Somerset; and, from mouth, and Ocean Countic, MonSuburban zone (Cape May, Cum berland, Hunterdon, Salem, Sussex, Warren; and from Oct. 1 to June 1, Atlantic, Monmouth, and

| Women and minors: <br> Experienced: <br> Winter outfits and men's clothing-- <br> Handkerchiefs, aprons, gloves, women's house dresses, and other similar accessories. <br> Inexperienced (6 months) <br> Women and minors: <br> Experienced <br> Inexperienced (6 months) <br> Women and minors: <br> Licensed hairdressers <br> Licensed operators and hairdressers (less than 1 year). <br> Apprentices (3 to 6 months) <br> Students working on customers $\qquad$ <br> Women and minors: <br> Zone A (Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, and Union Counties). <br> Zone B (Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Mercer, Somerset; and, from June 1 to Oct. 1, Atlantic, Monmouth, and Ocean Counties). <br> Suburban zone (Cape May, Cum. berland, Hunterdon, Salem, Sussex, Warren; and from Oct. 1 to June 1, Atlantic, Monmouth, and Ocean Counties). |
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${ }_{28}$ Minimum rates are ch. 207.
${ }^{29}$ More than 8 hours not compulsory during a single probationary period of 3 consecutive months.
${ }_{30}$ Directory Order No. 1 for the laundry industry, effective Aug. 1 , 1934 , was revised and reissued as No. 1 a
${ }^{31}$ Legal maximum hours for women and minors under 18. In manufacturing establishments, $10 \frac{1}{4}$ hours a day, 54 a week, during 8 weeks in any 6 -month period may be allowed y la Legal maximum hours, 10 a day, 54 a week, for females.


Laundry occupations, i. e., all occupations di-
rectly concerned with the cleansing finishing collecting, and distributing of laundry wares, Exceptions: Occupations concerned solely with plant maintenance or office work.

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No. 3 --irectory, Nov. 14 , 1938.
Occupation or industry covered
Laundry occupations, i. e., all occupations di-
rectly concerned with the cleansing, finishing,
collecting, and distributing of laundry wares.
Exceptions: Occupations concerned solely
with plant maintenance or office work. of the skin, nails, or hair, or in the enhancetions in personal appearance; services or operafication or enhancement, including the service of maids, cashiers, receptionists, or appointment clerks.
onectionery, i. e., preparation, processing, manufacture, wrapping, packaging, or packing of confections and candies of all kinds, includ-

Women and minors
one A (New York City; Westchester and Nassau Counties).
Zone B (cities outside zone A with a population of over 18,000; from June 15 to Se t. 15 , resort coun-
ties ${ }^{34}$ ).

Zone C (remainder of State including resort counties ${ }^{34}$ from Sept. 15 to June 15).
Women and minors
Full-time:
All (except maids)
Maids
Part-time (3 days a week or less) .ing inspissated honeys, sugars and syrups used
as sweetmeats, chewing gum, sweetened cough as sweetmeats, chewing gum, sweetened cough
drops, and chocolate and cocoa products. Exceptions: Preserved and candied fruits

| Class of employees covered | Minimum-wage rates |
| :---: | :---: |
| Women and minors: <br> Zone A (New York City; Westchester and Nassau Counties). |  |
|  | \$14 a week |
|  | 35 cents an hour. Time and one-half |
| Zone B (cities outside zone A with a population of over 18,000 ; from June 15 to Se t. 15 , resort counties ${ }^{34}$ ). | \$12.80 a week (to Dec. 31, 1938); |
|  | \$13.20 a week (Jan. 1, 1939, to |
|  | July 1, 1939); $\$ 13.60$ a week (July 2, 1939, to Dec. 30, 1939); |
|  | $32,33,34$, and 35 cents an hour, respectively, for periods as indicated above. |
|  | Time and one-half.-.-.--------- |
| Zone C (remainder of State including resort counties ${ }^{34}$ from Sept. 15 to June 15). | 30 cents an hour- |
|  | Time and one-half |
|  | Women and minors: |
| Full-time: |  |
| Maids. | \$15 a week. |
| All | Time and one-half |
| Part-time (3 days a week or less) ..... | Double time |
|  | Time and one-haif |
|  | 35 cents an hour; \$14 a week |
|  | $521 / 2$ cents an hour |
|  | Sept. 1 to Apr. 1: $\$ 10$ a week |
|  | \$11.20 a week. |
|  | 35 cents an hour |
|  | Apr. 1 to Sept. 1: |
|  | \$7 a week |
|  | \$8.40 a week |
|  | 35 cents an hour |



2 days a week or less
3 days a week. ${ }^{38}$
Over 3 days a week up to 40 hours, inclusive. ${ }^{38}$

| North Dakota: |  |
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| No. 1, Dec. 16, 1932... | Public housekeeping, i. e., the work of waitresses | in restaurants, hotel dining rooms, boarding houses, and all attendants employed at ice cream and light lunch stands and steam table or counter work in cafeter ias and delicatessens

where freshly cooked foods are served and the where freshly cooked foods are served and the
work of chambermaids in hotels and lodging houses and boarding houses, and hospitals and the work of janitresses and car cleaners and of kitchen workers in hotels and restaurants and hospitals and elevator operators.

No. 2, Apr. 4, 1922
Manufacturing, i. e., all processes in the production of commodities, including work in dress making shops, wholesale millinery houses, workrooms of retail millinery shops, and in the garment alteration, art needlework, furgarment making, and millinery workrooms in mercantile stores; employees of creameries and produce houses, and the candy-making taurants; in bakery and biscuit-manufacturing establishments, in candy manufacturing and in book-binding and job-press-feeding establishments.

No. 3, Dec. 16, 1932
Mercantile, i. e., work in establishments operated for the purpose of trade in the purchase or sale of any goods or merchandise, including the sales force, wrapping force, auditing or department, the receiving, marking, and stockroom employees and all other women, except those performing office duties solely.

Women:
Waitress or counter girl

Board furnished (21 meals)
Board furnished (21 meals)
Board and lodging furnished Lodging furnished
Chambermaids and kitchen help Board furnished ( 21 meals) Board and lodging furnished Part-time..
Women
Biscuit and candy: Experienced
Inexperienced (3 periods, 3 month each).
Bookbinding and job press feeding: Experienced
Inexperienced (4 periods, 3 month each).
All other manufacturing

Experienced-

Part-time
Women:
Experienced

Inexperienced (1 year)
Part-time
\$13.41 a week $\qquad$

\$8.16 a week; $\$ 35.36$ a month
$\$ 6.16$ a week; $\$ 26.69$ a month $\$ 11.41$ a week; $\$ 49.44$ a month $\$ 12.78$ a week
$\$ 7.53$ a week; $\$ 32.63$ a month $\$ 5.53$ a week; $\$ 23.96$ a month 1/48 of weekly wage for each hour worked.
$\$ 14$ a week; $\$ 60.67$ a month $\$ 9, \$ 10.50, \$ 12$ a week; $\$ 39, \$ 45.50$,
$\$ 14$ a week; $\$ 60.67$ a month $\$ 9, \$ 10.50, \$ 12, \$ 13$ a week; $\$ 39$
$\$ 45.50, \$ 52, \$ 56.33$ a month
Rates and periods to be deter mined by department of agriculture and labor in conference with employer and employee.
$1 / 40$ of weekly minimum an hour 1/48 of weekly minimum an hour
$\$ 13$ a week; $\$ 56.33$ a month ....
$\$ 10.80$ a week; $\$ 46.80$ a month
$1 / 48$ of weekly minimum for each
hour worked.
under 500 population; $81 / 2$ under 500 population; $8 \frac{1}{2}$
a day, 48 a week else-
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40 to 48 a week. ${ }^{40}$

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35 to 40 a week.
34 or less a week.
9 a day, 54 a week in towns under 500 population; $81 /$ a day,
where. 30 where. ${ }^{30}$
${ }_{34}{ }^{33}$ Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week, for women and minors under 18 . Over 8 a day allowed only to make one short day in week.
Rest ${ }^{2}$. Chautaqua, Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Greene, Jefferson, Orange, St. Lawrence, Saratoga, Suffolk, Sullivan, Ulster, and Warren.
35 Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week, for boys between 16 and 18 , and for females over 16 in towns of 15,000 population and over.
${ }^{36}$ During 14 -week peak period each year (or 2 periods aggregating not over 14 weeks) the rates are $381 / 2$ cents an hour for hours over 40 to $44,521 / 2$ cents for hours over 44 to 48.
${ }_{38}$ If called to work on third day, whether or not she works, employee must be paid for 3 days.
${ }_{30}$ Legal maximum hours.
${ }_{40}$ Legal maximum hours $81 / 2$ a day, 48 a week, in towns of 500 population and over; in telephone exchanges elsewhere, maximum hours a day and days a month to be fixed by agreement between employer and employee.


${ }^{39}$ Legal maximum hours.
${ }^{40}$ Legal maximum hours $81 / 2$ a day, 48 a week, in towns of 500 population and over; in telephone exchanges elsewhere, maximum hours a day and days a month to be fixed by agreement between employer and employee.
41 Legal maximum hours for females over 16 and boys between 16 and 18,8 a day, 48 a week. For females 16 and over in laundry and dry-cleaning plants, 9 hours a day, 50 a week
allowed during weeks that include certain holidays. For mercantile establishments, 10 hours may be worked on Saturday and on days preceding certain holidays, and 10 hours a day, 50 a week, during 1 week in the first half of the year and 2 weeks in the second half; the law allows complete exemption for women over 21 in towns of under 5 , 000 population.

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| Mandatory, Mar. |
| 30, 1937. |


| Occupation or industry covered |
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| Hotel and restaurant, i. e, all restaurants, li- |
| censed or unlicensed, operated as the principal |
| business of the employer or as a unit of another |
| business; restaurants operated by governmen- |
| tal subdivisions, including boards of educa- |
| tion, wherein food in liquid or solid form is |
| prepared and served: catering and banquet, |
| box lunch, or curb service; transient, residen- |
| tial, or apartment hotels, apartment houses, |
| tourist homes, and tourist cabin reservations |
| that offer lodging or living accommodations; |
| boarding houses, serving 1 meal or more a day; |
| rooming houses; hospitalsand institutions, un- |
| less exempted by special permit. Exceptions: |
| Inmates of institutions; members of religious |
| organizations who receive no compensation; |
| women taking a course of training for house- |
| work, or preparing and serving food, in train- |
| ing establishments. |


| Class of employees covered | Minimum-wage rates | Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Women and minors: |  |  |
| Service, i. e., employees who serve |  |  |
| food at counters or food or bever- |  |  |
| thereto; bell boys; page boys: |  |  |
| Cities of 100,000 population or over: |  |  |
| Full-time ${ }^{42}$ | 15.62 cents an hour; $\$ 7.50$ a week | 48 a week. ${ }^{11}$ |
|  | 25 cents an hour- | First 25 a week. |
| Overtime | 15.62 cents an hour- | 26 to 48 a week. |
| Cities of 5,000 and under 100,000 population: |  |  |
| Part-time $2^{-}$ | 14.58 cents an hour; \$7 a week | 48 a week. ${ }^{41}$ |
|  | 24 cents an hour. | First 25 a week. |
|  | 14.58 cents an hour | 26 to 48 a week. |
|  | 21.87 cents an hour | Over 48 a week. ${ }^{41}$ |
| Cities under 5,000 population: 13.02 eent on |  |  |
| Part-time ${ }^{12}$ | 23 cents an hour | First 25 a week. |
|  | 13.02 cents an hour- | 26 to 48 a week. |
| Nonservice: <br> Cities of 100,000 population or |  |  |
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| Part-time ${ }^{42}$ | 21.875 cents an hour; $\$ 10.50$ a week. | 48 a week. ${ }^{41}$ |
|  | 32 cents an hour | First 25 a week. |
|  | 21.875 cents an hour | 26 to 48 a week. |
|  | 32.812 cents an hour | Over 48 a week. ${ }^{11}$ |
| Cities of 5,000 and under 100,000 population: |  |  |
|  | 18.75 cents an hour; \$9 a week | 48 a week. ${ }^{41}$ |
|  | 31 cents an hour. | First 25 a week. |
|  | 18.75 cents an hour | 26 to 48 a week. |
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| Part-time ${ }^{12}$ | 16.66 cents an hour; \$8 a week. | 48 a week. ${ }^{41}$ |
|  | 30 cents an hour- | First 25 a week. |
| Overtime | 18.66 cents an hour | 26 to 48 a week. |
|  | 24.99 cents an hour. | Over 48 a week. 41 |
| Service and nonservice (if meals not furnished). | 6.25 cents an hour more than above rates. |  |
| Resident, i. e., employees living on employer's premises and receiving full maintenance. | 15 cents an hour----------------1. | 48 a week. ${ }^{41}$ |

## Oklahoma

No. 1, May 1, 1938

No. 2, May 1, $1938{ }^{43}$

No. 3, May 1, $1938{ }^{43}$

Laundry, i. e., washing, ironing, or processing
incidental thereto, for compensation, of clothing, napery, blankets, bed clothing, or fabrics of any kind whatsoever in private plants where labor is employed; laundry service for their own use by business establishments, clubs, hotels, hospitals, or institutions. Exceptions: izations or institutions organized and supported wholly on a nonprofit basis, and Statesupported institutions; plant maintenance men; drivers; office workers; a plant foreman and superintendent in plants having more
than 5 employees. Laundry occupation, i. e., all processes directly concerned with the cleansing, ironing, pressing, or finishing of laundry wares.
Cleaning and dyeing, i.e., any place or vehicle where the service of dry cleaning wet or vehicle each a process incidental to dry cleaning, spotting, or finishing any fabric that is rendered for hire or sold, resold, or offered for sale or resale. Exceptions: Plant maintenance men; drivers; office workers; delivery men; a plant foreman
and superintendent in plants having more than 5 employees; plants manufacturing fabrics. Fabric, i. e., any article of wearing apparel including hats, household furnishings, rugs, textiles, furs, and leather
Retail mercantile, i. e., selling of merchandise to the consumer and not for the purpose of resale goods, wares, or merchandise; includes the sales, wrapping, auditing, or checking force, shippers in the mail-order department, and outside delivery men. Exceptions: Office em
ployees; janitors.

| Class A: ${ }^{44}$ | 30 cents an nour; \$14.40 a week |
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| Males | 30 cents an nour; $\$ 14.40$ a week |
| Class B: ${ }^{44}$ |  |
| Females | 25 cents an hour; \$12 a week |
| Males | 25 cents an hour; $\$ 13.50$ a week.- |
| Class C: 44 |  |
| Females | 20 cents an hour; $\$ 9.60$ a week--- |
| Males.-- | 20 cents an hour; $\$ 10.80$ a week |
| Class A: ${ }^{44}$ |  |
| Females | 30 cents an hour; \$14.40 a week - |
| Males | 36 cents an hour; \$19.44 a weet-- |
| Class B: ${ }^{44}$ |  |
| Females | $271 / 2$ cents an hour; $\$ 13.20$ a week |
| Males | 30 cents an hour; $\$ 16.20$ a week-- |
| Class C: 44 |  |
| Females | 25 cents an hour; \$12 a week --.- |
| Males... | 25 cents an hour; $\$ 13.50$ a week |
| Class A : 44 |  |
| Females. | \$15 a week |
| Males.--- | \$18 a week |
| Class B: ${ }^{44}$ |  |
| Females | \$12 a week |
| Males..- | \$16 a week |
| Class C: ${ }^{44}$ |  |
| Females | \$11 a week |
| Males | \$13 a week. |

9 a day, 48 a week. 10 a day, 54 a week.
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9 a day ( 12 on 1 day a week), 54 a week. 9 a day, 48 a week.
10 a day (12 on 1 day a week), 57 a week.
9 a day, 51 a week 10 a day ( 12 on 1 day a week),
59 a week.
${ }^{41}$ Legal maximum hours for females over 16 and boys between 16 and 18,8 a day, 48 a week. For females 16 and over in laundry and dry-cleaning plants, 9 hours a day, 50 week allowed during weeks that include certain holidays. For mercantile establishments, 10 hours may be worked on sor 0 hours a day, 50 a 5,000 population. or of less than 48 hours a week.
${ }_{43}$ Restraining order has prevented enforcement.
44 Class A.-Cities and towns of 40,000 or more population and contiguous territory within 2 miles thereof, more or less, within the discretion of the commission. Class B.Cities and towns of not less than 10,000 population and all population and controuous terreref, within the discretion of the commission

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No. 5, May 1, $1938{ }^{43}$

No. 6, May 1, $1938{ }^{43}$

No. 7, May 1, 1938 43
holesaling and distributing
Automotive, i. e., retailing new or used motor cluding the sale and/or installation of new or used parts or accessories; garages, storage and parking, including washing, other cleaning, lubricating, repairing, towing, and driving of customers' cars; filling stations (any place
whose principal business is selling at whose principal business is selling at retail petroleum products, automobile equipment, supplies and accessories).


| Class of employees covered | Minimum-wage rates | Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Class A: 4 |  |  |
| Females | \$15 a week | 8 a day, 48 a week. |
| Males- | \$20 a week | 9 a day, 54 a week. |
| Class B: 14 |  |  |
| Females <br> Males | \$15 a week | 8 a day, 48 a week. |
| Class C: ${ }^{44}$ | \$20 a wee | 10 a day, 56 a week. |
| Females | \$13 a week | 8 a day, 48 a week. |
| Males | \$18 a week | 10 a day, 58 a week. |
| Class A. 44 | (Deductions allowed for meals.) |  |
| Females, | \$10 a week |  |
| Males. | \$19 a week. | 9 a day, 54 a week. |
| Class B: ${ }^{44}$ |  |  |
| Females | \$9 a week | 8 a day, 48 a week. |
| Class C: ${ }^{44}$ | \$17 a week | 10 a day, 57 a week. |
| Females | \$8 a week | 8 a day, 48 a week. |
| Class A: ${ }^{\text {M }}$ | \$15 a week | 10 a day, 59 a week. |
| Females. | \$15 a week | 8 a day, 48 a week. |
| Males- | \$15 a week. | 8 a day, 48 a week. |
| Class B: ${ }^{44}$ |  |  |
| Females | \$12.50 a week | 8 a day, 48 a week. |
| Class C: 44 | \$14 a week | 9 a day, 54 a week. |
| Females | \$12 a week | 8 a day, 48 a week. |
| Males | \$13 a week | 9 a day, 54 a week. |
| Males and females | \$18 a week | 9 a day, 48 a week. |
| Class A: ${ }^{44}$ |  |  |
| Females | \$18 a week | 9 a day, 48 a week. |
| Class B: ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | \$18 a week | 9 a day, 54 a week. |
| Females | \$16 a week | 9 a day, 48 a week. |
| Males | \$16 a week | 10 a day, 57 a week. |
| Class C: ${ }^{44}$ |  |  |
| Females | \$14 a week \$14 a week | 9 a day, 48 a week. 10 a day, 59 a week. |

No. 9, May 1, $1938{ }^{43}$ - $\mid$ Retail drug, i. e., selling to the consumer and not for resale in any form of drugs, medicines, and poisons required to be compounded or prepared on the premises or to be sold by a regis-
tered pharmacist.
Oregon:
Oregon:
Sept. 14, 1937
Mercantile, i. e., work in establishments operated for the purpose of trade in the purchase or sale of goods or merchandise, including the
sales force, wrapping, auditing, or check insales force, wrapping, auditing, or check in-
pection force, shoppers in mail-order department, the receiving and shipping department, music saleswomen, altering and tailoring department, soda-fountain and lunchroom employees, demonstrators, models for fashions, counter cashiers, elevator operators and start-
ers.
Sept. 14, 193 Laun. where 2 or more persons are engaged in washing, cleaning, or dyeing clothing, washable and cleanable materials, directly or indirectly connected with such place of business; all work in the process of receiving, marking, washing washable and cleanable materials.
Sept. 14, 1937..........

Sept. 14, 1937.--.-.-.weaving, inspecting, knitting, hemstitching, Weaving, inspecting, knitting, hemstitching,
altering, sorting of rags or marials, altering, sorting of rags or materials, etc.,
whether by hand or by machine, of materials for clothing, wearing apparel, upholstering tents, awnings, draperies, and bags. ture and production of processes of manufacture and production of commodities, including photographing, creamery products, bakery the process of preparing meat and poultry for market, nut cracking and sorting, and all other processes in the production of commodities not covered by any other special order.


43 Restraining order has prevented enforcement.
${ }^{44}$ Class A.-CCities and towns of 40,000 or more population and contiguous territory within 2 miles thereof, more or less, within the discretion of the commission. Class B.-Cities and towns of not less than 10,000 nor more than 40,000 population and contiguous territory within 1 mile thereof, more or less, within the discretion of the commission. Class C. ${ }^{45}$ Special regulations, effective Sept. 14, 1937, and general in their application, provide that in case of business emergency the State welfare commission, upon application and showing, may issue a special license for the employment of adult women beyond the regular legal hours if time and one-half the regular rate is paid.


Mar. 15, 1938 Hospitals, i. e., cooks, waitresses, kitchen help-
ers, janitresses, or general charwomen in hospitals. Exceptions: Graduate nurses, dietitians, laboratory workers; student nurses if

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Pennsylvania
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1938.
their work is confined to service to patients or
to work in the classroom.
to work in the classroom
Fruit and vegetable packing, drying, preserv-
force

Nut processing, bleaching, grading, or packing
Inexperienced ( 3 periods, 4 months Females.

Males
Female

Women and minors:
Cracking and shelling nuts...........
Processing, bleaching, grading, and packing nuts.

Laundry, i. e., all occupations concerned with cleaning, finishing, collection, and distribution of laundrv wares, including plant maintenance, office workers, and store clerks; washing, ironing, or processing incidental thereto, for compensation, of clothing, napery, blankets, bedresale, or distribution at retail or wholesale of laundry services; producing of laundry services for their own use by business establishments, clubs, or institutions.
Laundry establishment, i. e., any place in which an employee is engaged in any phase of the
laundry trade.

| 30 cents an hour |
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| 22, $25,271 / 2$ cents an hour |
| 35 cents an hour |
| Time and one-half. |
| Double time.- |
| Time and one-quarter |
| Time and one-half |
| Double time |
| 45 cents an hour |
| 35 cents an hour |
| Time and one-half. |
| Double time.- |
| Time and one-quarter |
| Time and one-half... |
| Double time. |
| 30 cents an hour |
| $11 / 2$ times regular rate |
| 30 cents an hour |
| 11/2 times regular rate |
| \$9 a week |
| 30 cents an hour |
| 33 cents an hour |

9 a day, 44 a week with 36 a day, 44 a week with 36 -
hour rest period following; or 7 a day, 44 a week, if on duty 7 days a week. 45

10 a day. 40
Over 10 to 12 a day
Over 12 a day.
Seventh day, first 8 hours.
Seventh day, over 8 to 12 a
day.
eventh day, over 12 a day.
10 a day. ${ }^{46}$
$O$ ver 10 to 12 a day
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Seventh day, first 8 hours.
day.
Seventh day, over 12 a day.
8 a day, 44 a week. 40
8 a day, 44 a week. ${ }^{46}$
O ver 8 a day, 44 a week.
Over 8 a day, 44 a wee
10 a day, 60 a week 46
Over 10 a day, 60 a week
Over 16 to 30 a week.
ver 30 to 44 a week. ${ }^{4}$
16 a week or less.
${ }^{45}$ Special regulations, effective Sept. 14, 1937, and general in their application, provide that in case of business emergency the State welfare commission, upon application and showing, may issue a special license for the employment of adult women beyond the regular legal hours if time and one-half the regular rate is paid.
${ }_{47}{ }^{46}$ Legal maximum hours for minors under 18,8 a day, 44 a week.

| State, order, and effective date | Occupation or industry covered | Class of employees covered | Minimum-wage rates | Hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Puerto Rico: <br> Sept. 7, 1919 (Wage fixed in law). ${ }^{48}$ | Industrial occupations, commercial or publicservice undertakings. Exceptions: Agriculture and agricultural industries. | Females (after 3 weeks): <br> 18 years and over <br> Under 18 years $\qquad$ | $\$ 6$ a week_ \$4 a week | 8 a day (9 if double time is paid), 48 a week. ${ }^{4}$ Do. ${ }^{49}$ |
| Rhode Island: <br> No. 1 <br> Directory, Mar. 1, 1937. <br> Mandatory, Aug. 1, 1937. | Jewelry, i. e., jewelry of any material commonly or commercially so known and articles of ornament or adornment, except clothing, of any material intended to be worn on apparel or carried or worn on or about the person and shall include parts of these articles. <br> All occupations that have any part in the making, processing, or production of jewelry, including tool making, hub and die cutting, carding, boxing, and other preparations for shipment or sale, including office workers and errand boys. | Women and minors. | 30 cents an hour | 9 a day, 48 a week. ${ }^{50}$ |
| No. 2------ <br> Directory, Oct. 18 , 1937. <br> Mandatory, Apr. 25, 1938. | Wearing apparel and allied industries, i. e., garments or garment accessories to be worn on or about the person, including parts of such articles, their repair and alteration, and occupations allied through like processes of manufacture. Manufacture, repair, alteration of cotton, rayon, silk, woolen, elastic, and rubber garments, knit goods, men's coats and suits, raincoats, leather, rubber and fabric shoes, handkerchiefs, handbags, hats and hat linings; upholstering; curtain, rug, pillow and mattress manufacture. | Women and minors: <br> Experienced: <br> Productive <br> Nonproductive <br> Inexperienced: <br> First 240 hours <br> Second 240 hours | 35 cents an hour 30 cents an hour <br> 20 cents an hour <br> 25 cents an hour | Do. ${ }^{50}$ <br> Do. ${ }^{60}$ <br> Do. ${ }^{50}$ <br> Do. ${ }^{50}$ |
| No. 3. Directory, May 2, 1938. <br> Mandatory, Sept. 12, 1938. | Laundry and dry cleansing occupations, including helpers, employees of contractors, office workers, errand boys or girls, and casual employees. <br> Laundry, i. e., any activity concerned with the washing, ironing, or processing incidental thereto of any fabric or laundry wares; collection, distribution, or sale of laundry service; producing or rendering of such activity or service by the employer upon his own behalf or for others, more specifically by hotels, overnight camps, clubs, business establishments, factories, bakeries, and other like establishments. Exceptions: Wards or charges of any charitable organization. | Women and minors. | 30 cents an hour | Do. ${ }^{50}$ |

South Dakota
July 1, 1923. (Wage
Utah:
No. 1, Feb. 1, $1938{ }^{53}$

Recommendations of wage board, Oct.

Recommendations of wage board, Jan. wage b
$14,1938$.
Recommendations of wage board, Mar.
17,1938 .

Recommendations of wage board, Apr. 12, 1938.

Dry cleansing, i. e., any activity concernedwith the cleaning, refreshing or restoration of any fabric and/or of any article of wearing apparel,
including pressing or other work incidental including pressing or other work incidental
thereto or performed in connection therewith; collection, distribution, or sale of dry-cleaning service; producing or rendering of such activity or service by the employer upon his own behalf or for others, more specifically by hotels, clubs, and like business establishments
establishmenthop, mechanical or mercantile packing house.
Retail trade, i. e., selling of merchandise to the consumer, not for purpose of resale in any form within the State. Exception: Educational institutions offering merchandise for sale on premises for accommodation of students.
Manufacturing, i. e., processing and conversion
of materials and products including candy, clothing, foods (including poultry products, dairy products), cosmetics and boxes; millinery, bookbinding, job press feeding estab lishments.
Restaurant, i. e., all places selling food or bever ages in solid or liquid form.

Laundry, i.e., any place where washing, ironing, cleaning, pressing, or processing incidental thereto, of any kind of washable fabric is conducted, including laundry departments in Dry cleaning and dyeing, i. e., cleaning, dyeing, pressing, or processing incidental thereto, for compensation, of wearing apparel, household furnishings, rugs, textiles, fur, leather, or fabric of any kind; collection, sale, resale, or dyeing, and pressing establishments, laundries, department stores, hotels or by any
other type of establishment.

${ }^{48}$ Session Laws 1919, Act. 45 .
48 Session Laws 1919, Act. 45.
${ }_{51}^{50}$ Legal maximum hours for women and minors 16 and under 18.
51 Session laws, 1923, ch. 309
52 Legal maximum hours.
${ }_{53}{ }^{54}$ Restraining order has prevented enforcement. (Wage order held void by State Supreme Court, Dec. 14, 1938.) ${ }^{64}$ Legal maximum hours 8 a day, 48 a week, for women; 8 a day, 44 a week, for children under 18.

| State, order, and effective date | Occupation or industry covered | Class of employees covered | Minimum-wage rates | Hours |
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| Utah-Continued. Recommendations of wage board, June 15, 1938. | Beauty culture, i. e., all processes concerned with shampooing waving, or straightening with shampooing, waving, or straightenhag ing; eyelash and eyebrow dyeing; manicuring and hand and arm massage; hair cutting or trimming; hair tinting and bleaching; removal of superflous hair, warts, or moles by use of an electric needle; demonstrating the use of cosmetics, supplies, and equipment. | Women and minors (including desk appointment girls and all other). | $\$ 16.50$ a week <br> Time and one-half $371 / 2$ cents an hour | 8 a day, 44 a week. <br> Over 44 a week. <br> Less than 8 a day, or 41 a week. |
| Washington: <br> No. 23 (Women) <br> No. 24 (Minors). $\text { Oct. } 4,1921$ | Public housekeeping, i. e., work of linen-room girls, chambermaids, cleaners, kitchen girls, dishwashers, pantry girls, pantry servers,waitresses, counter girls, bus girls, elevator operators, janitresses, laundry workers (except commercial laundry), and any other occupation properly classified under public housekeeping. Establishments include hotels,rooming houses, boarding houses, restaurants, cafes, cafeterias, lunch rooms, tea rooms, apartment houses, hospitals (not nurses), philanclassified under this industry. | Women over 18 years---- Minors under 18 years | $\$ 14.50$ a week <br> $\$ 2.50$ a day. | 48 a week ( 6 days.) ${ }^{55}$ <br> 8 a day, 1 or more days a week. <br> Less than 8 a day. <br> 8 a day, 6 days a week. ${ }^{56}$ |
|  |  | Minors under 18 years $\qquad$ <br> Each 4 months.-.-.-..... | 35 cents an hour <br> $\$ 12$ a week. <br> $\$ 1$ a week increase until adult minimum of $\$ 14.50$ is reached. <br> (Deductions allowed for meals or lodging.) |  |
| No. 25, Dec. 14, No. 27, Dec. 14, $1921-$ | Telephon or telegraph or other public occupa- <br> Telephone or than public housekeeping, laundry dry-cleaning and dye works, mercantile, and manufacturing. <br> Mercantile <br> Manufacturing | Women over 18 years <br> Women over 18 years (other than apprentices). | $\$ 13.20$ a week $\$ 13.20$ a week | Do. ${ }^{55}$ <br> 6 days a week. ${ }^{53}$ |
| No. 28, Dec. 31, 1921 No. 29, Jan. 22, 1922 | Mercantile <br> Manufacturing | Women over 18 years <br> Women: <br> apprenticeship at plant where em- <br> ployed, or an apprenticeship and 3 <br> months at particular work at <br> which an apprentice. <br> Optional schedules: <br> (A) 4 periods, 3 months each <br> (B) 4 periods, 2 months each. <br> (C) 4 periods, 6 weeks each <br> (D) 4 periods, 1 month each <br> Piece workers, after 60 days at prevailing piece rates. | $\$ 13.20$ a week $\qquad$ <br> $\$ 13.20$ a week. $\qquad$ <br> $\$ 9, \$ 10, \$ 11, \$ 12$ a w <br> $\$ 9, \$ 10, \$ 11, \$ 12$ a w <br> \$9, \$10, \$11, \$12 a w <br> $\$ 9, \$ 10, \$ 11, \$ 12$ a we $\$ 9, \$ 10, \$ 11, \$ 12$ a w | Do. ${ }^{55}$ <br> 8 a day, 6 days a week. ${ }^{51}$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { Do. }{ }^{65} \\ & \text { Do. } 50 \\ & \text { Do. }{ }^{55} \\ & \text { Do. } 55 \\ & \text { Do. } 55 \\ & \text { Do. } 05 \end{aligned}$ |
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No. 31, Oct. 27, 1922

No. 32, Oct. 1, 1934

No. 34, May 6, 1937

No. 35, Sept. 7, 1937

No. 36, Dec. 7, 1937 Wisconsin: No. 1, June 10, 1932

Mercantile, manufacturing, printing, laundering, or dye-works establishment, sign-painting,
machine or repair shop, or parcel-delivery service or any other industry than public housekeeping; as stenographer, bookkeeper, typist, billing clerk, filing clerk, cashier, checker, invoicer, comptometer operator, or
any clerical office work whatsoever, including any clerical office work whatsoever, including
assistants and helpers in doctors' and dentists' offices; any other occupation, trade, or industry. Exception: Telephone or telegraph messengers in rural communities and cities of less than 3,000 population who are not continu-Fresh-fruit packing, vegetable packing and dried-fruit industries.

Cannery (fruit, vegetable, fish, shell fish, dog foods , or any other products preserved for food purposes).
Beauty culture, i. e., hairdressing, manicuring, hair manufacturing, massage, marcel waving, permanent waving, cosmetology, haircutting, and other work performed in beauty parlors A partment house

Any occupation, trade or industry --------

Minors under 18 years


Women and minors

Women (experienced operators)
Part-time (not defined).

Women and minors
Women and minors:
17 years and over:
Experienced:

Cities under 5,000
Inexperienced ( 2 periods, 3 months each).
16 and under 17 years: ${ }^{58}$
Experienced ( In months or part of Inexperien
season).
${ }^{55}$ Legal maximum hours 8 a day in any mechanical or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel, or restaurant. ${ }_{57}$ Legal maximum hours, but under the $9-50$ hour provision women may be employed loximum hours. ${ }^{5}$ hours a day during emergency periods not exceeding 4 weeks a year, if time and a half is

so Legal maximum hours. paid and weekly hours do not exceed 55 .
paid and weekly hours do not exceed 55 .
58 Minors producing the same output as employees in a higher wage classification must be paid the minimum rate for such class.


[^2]ANALYSIS OF STATE MINIMUM-WAGE LAWS

| Stat | (thority empowered to $\begin{gathered}\text { administer law }\end{gathered}$ | Procedure preliminary to setting wage rates | Procedure for setting wage rates | $\underbrace{\substack{\text { a }}}_{\substack{\text { provided for securing } \\ \text { entorcement }}}$ | Basis of wage rates |  | Employees covered by law | Exceptions |
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| Arizona: <br> Revised code 1928, sec 1391; session laws 1937 (2d special session) (2d special session) ch. 20 . | Industrial commission. mission is composed of 3 memmission is composed of 3 mem- bers appointed by the governor, with the advie of the senate, for terms of 6 years.). |  | Commission appoints wage beard of 3 representaives each of employers and employeess and 1 1n man. After studying evidence and testimony of witnesses board must, within 10 days after its organization, submit a report recommending minimum fair wage standards. Within 10 days, commission must aceept or reject this report fi aceerted, commision issues a irectory order . Atter be dadss, if no anpeal has been taken, the order becomes mandatory. |  | Wage sufficient to meet cost of living necessary ry rer heale com- fairly and and rensurate ice or class of serviece renderec. In determining minimum fair wage, the commission or wage board shall consider the minimum cost of filiving, and wages paid in State for like or comparable work by employers voluntarily maintaining minimum fair wage standards. | Any occupation, i.e., any class of work in any industry, trade, business, or branch thereof Exceptions: Domestic service in the home of the employer; agrieultural labor | Women; minors (persons of either sex years of age). | Any woman or minor, including a learner or apprentice, whose age or physical or menta deficiency or injury may be wage less than the minimum for a fixed period. |
| igest of the statute (Craw ford and Moses) 1921, secs 7108, 7111-7114; sup plement 1927, secs 1935 , ch. 150; 1937, ch 83. |  | Investigation at discretion of commission to determine necessity of raising or lowering the minimine necessity of raisi | Minimum wage set by law but commission has power to raise or lower such wage in any occupa- tion, trade, or industry after investigating and holding public hearings. establish regulations for hotels and restaurants provided the wage rate is not lower than will supply the cost of proper living and safeguard supply the cost of proper living and sateguard health and welfare, and provided also that it shall not exceed the rate estabished by law. | Noncompliance punishable by fine. | Wage adequate to supply neces. sary cost of proper iving and to maintain health and welfare. |  | Females |  |
| California: | Industrial welfare commission through division of industrial welfare in department of industrial relations. (Industrial wel5 persons, at least 1 of whom shall governor for terms of 4 years.) | Investigation at discretion of commission to ascertain whether wages paid are inadequate to conducted by examining books, papers, pay rolls, records, and witnesses and by holding public hearings at which employers, employees, and other interested persons may testiif. If anvinced of need commission shall call a wage board. | Commission calls wage board composed of an equal number of representatives of employers and employees in an industry with a representative of tre commission as chairman. After studying the evidence, the board recommends after a public bearing, fixes the minimum rates or the industry and issues a mandatory order. | Noncompliance a misdemeanor punishable by fine or impris may recover back wages and costs. | do | Any occupation, trade, or industry. | Women; minors (girls under 21, boys under 18 years of age). | Any woman physically defective by age or otherwise may be granted icense fxing a lower every 6 months. <br> Apprentice or learner: Special wage for fixed period |
|  | Industrial commission. (Commission is composed of 3 memwith the consent of the senate, for terms of 6 years. Not more employees, nor more than 1 mployers.) | Investigation at request of not less than 25 persons engaged in occupation or at discretion of comtial number of employees are paid wages inadequate to supply necessary cost of living and examining books, pay rolls, papers, other records, and witnesses, and by public hearings at which employers, employees, or other interested per- sons may testify. If convinced of need commission either fixes minimum-wage rates or appoints a wage board. | Commission sets minimum wage for occupation and issues mandatory order; or commission than 3 representatives of employers, an equal the public, and, if it so desires, a representative employers and the employees to be elected by their respective groups; at least 1 member of every group to be a woman. The wage board commission a minimum wage, which the commission may accept or reject. After acceptance and a public hearing, commission issues mandatory order. | Noncompliance a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonmay recover back wages and costs. | Wage sufficient for living wage. nsistent with maintenanc of health and morals. Suit able wage for minors | Any occupation, i. e., any and every vocatio or industry. | Women; minors (persons years of age). | In an occupation in which only woman physically defective or crippled by age or otherwise or worker of ordinary ability may e granted license authorizing Number so licensed must not exceed $1 / 10$ of the total number of workers in an establishment. |
| Connecticut: <br> umulative supplement to general stat- utes 1931-35, pp. $374-$ 381, secs. 910c-923c; 1937 supplement, p. 286 , sec. 577 d. | Commissioner of labor and factory inspection or director of mini- mum-wage division which may mum-wage ivision which may baber up in the department of lab | Investigation at discretion of commissioner, or on petition of 50 or more residents of the state, to petition of 5 or morer residents of the ot ascertain whether substantial number of women or minors in an occupation are paid oppressive and unreasonable wages, i. e., less than fair and reasonable value of services, rendered and less than sufficient to meet minimum cost of living necessary for healthe, Investivation conducted by examining books, registers, pay rolls, and other records of employers. If convinced of need commissioner shall appoint a wage board. | Commissioner appoints wage board composed of an equal number of representatives, but not an equal number of representatives, but not more than 3, of employers and employees, and not more than 3 of the public, 1 of the public group to be designated chairman. After study- ing evidence and testimony of witnesses, hoard must, within 60 days of its organization, submit a report recommending minimum fair report, recommending minimum fair wage standards. Commissioner, within io days must accept or reject this report. If accepted, report must be published and public hearing held. After final approval of wage-board report, commissioner issues a directory order. Atier 3 montss After 3 months and following a public hearing, commisioner may make the order mandatory. | Publication of names of em- <br> ployers not complying with directory order. order punishable bator order punishable by fine or imprisonment or both. Employee may recover back wages, costs, and attorney's fees. | Wage fairly and reasonably comice or class of service rendered In determining minimum fair wage commissioner and wage board may consider wages paid in State for like or comparable work by employers mum fair wage standards. | Any sweatshop occupation, i.e., industry, trade, business, or occupation paying an un- fair and oppressive wage. $E x$ ceptions: Domestic service in the home of the employer; labor on a farm. | Women; minors (persons or either sex under 21 years of age). | Any woman or minor, including earning capacity is impaired by age or physical or mental deficiency or injury may be deficiency or injury may be granted license authorizing a wage less than the minimum for a fixed period. |
| District of Columbia: isit-19, vol. 40 , ppt. 1, <br>  | Minimum-wage board. (Board is composed of 3 members apmissioners for terms of 3 years, 1 member each to represent em- ployers, employees, and the public.) | Investigation at discretion of board to ascertain whether substantial namber of women in an occupation are paid wages inadequate to supply the necessary cost of living and maintain health and morals. Investigation conducted by exam- ining books, registers, pay rolls, and other records of employers and witnesses and by public hear- ings at which any interested person may testify. ings at which any interested person may testify. If convinced of need, board may convene a conference. | Board appoints wage conference composed of an equal number of representatives, but not more than 3, of employers and employees, not more than 3, of employers and employees, not more the board. After investigation the conference wage standards, which the board may approve or disapprove. If approved, report must be pub- lished and public hearing held. After final approval of conference report, minimum-wage board issues mandatory order. | Noncompliance a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprison may recover back wages and ttorney's fees. | Wage adequate to supply necessary cost of living to women health and protect their ably low for minors. | Any occupation, i. e., any business, industry, trade, or Domestic service | Women; minors (persons of either sex years of age). | In an occupation in which only woman whose earning capacity has been impaired by age or otherwise may be granted than the minimum. Learner or apprentice for fixed period. |


| State | Authority empowered to administer law | Procedure preliminary to setting wage rates | Procedure for setting wage rates |  | Basis of wage rates | Occupations or industries covered by law | Emplosees covered by law | Exceptions |
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|  | Department of labor. |  |  | Publication of names of employers not con <br> Noncompliance with mandatory order a misdemeanor punish- able by fine or imprisonment or both. Employee may reattorney's fees. | Wage fairly and reasonably commensurate with value of commensurate service or class of service rendered. In determining rendered. In determiniag minimum fair wage, department and wage board may for like or comparable work by employers voluntarily maintaining minimum fair wage standards. wage standards. | Any occupation, i. e., any in dustry, trade or business, or branch thereof or class of work therein. Exceptions: of the employer; labor on a farm. | Women; minors (females under 18 and males der 21 years of age). | Any woman or minor, including earning capacity is impaired by age or physical or mental deficiency or injury may be granted license authorizing a wage less than the minimum for a fixed period. |
| $\qquad$ 44-601a, 44-637, ${ }_{774}^{4-6}$ 4. | Commission of labor and industry (Commission is composed of 3 governor, by and with by the sent of the senate, for terms of 4 years.) | Investigation at discretion of commission to ascer tain whether substantial number of women nadequate to supply the necessary cost of living and maintain health. If convinced of need hearing. | Commission holds a public hearing and issues a mandatory order | Noncompliance a misdemeanor punishable by fine. Employee costs, and attorney's fees. | Wages reasonable and not detimental to health and we fare | Any occupation. | Women; minors (females under 18 and males mal under under 21 years of age 1 ). |  |
| Kentucky <br> Session laws 1938, ch. | Commissianer of industrial relations. |  | Governor, at request of commissioner, appoints Wage eoard composed oy members, es represen- tatives each of employers, employes the pubiic, 1 of the public group to be designated chairman. After studying evidence and testi- mony of witnesses board must, within 60 days of its organization, submit a report recommending minimum fair wage standards. Within 10 days, commissioner must accept or reject this report. If aceepted, report must be published and and public hearing held. After final approval of tory order. ter 3 months, and following a public hearing, the | Publication of names of employers not complying with orter. <br> Noncompliance with mandatory order a misdemeanor, punish- able by fine or imprisonment or both. Employee may reattorney's fees. | Wages fairly and reasonably commensurate with value or service or class of service rendered. In determining mini- mum fair wage, commissioner and ware baord chall consider aost of living and wages paid ond cost or tiving and wases in State for like or comparabe soter maintaining minimum fair wage standards. | Any occupation, i. e., any industry, trade, or business, or branch thereof or class of Work therein Exceplions: of the employer; labor on a farm; person, firm, or corporation subject to regulation by the State public service commission. | Women, minors (persons or either sex years of age). | Any woman or minor, including a learner or apprentice, whose earning capacity is impaired by age or physical deficiency or injury, may be granted than the minimum for a fixed period. |
| Louisiana: <br> 362. laws 1938, Act | Commissioner of labor and director of minimum-wage division department of labor. | Investigation at discretion of commissioner to asecertain whether wages paid to female employ- ees in an occupation are inadequate to supply the neecsary cont of living and maintain healthe Investigation conducted by calling for stateInvestigation conducted by calling for state ments and examining books, pay rolls, other records of employers, and wwitnesses, and by holding public hearings at which employers holding public hearings at which employers, employees, and other interested persons may testify. If convinced of need empowered to call a conference. | Commissioner calls conference composed of an equal number or representatives or employers and employees in the occupation or ind ustry in question and 1 or more representatives of the public, 1 of the public group to be designated chairman, but public representatives must not exceed the number in either of the other groups. After studying evidence and testimony of witnesses, the conference, on request of the com- missioner, must within 60 days of its organization, submit a report recommending minimum- <br>  hearing must be held. After final approval of conference report, commissioner issues a mandaconference tory order. | Noncompliance a misdemeano punishable by fine. Em wages, costs, and attornev's fees. | Wage adequate to supply necessary cost of living and main- tain health tain health. | Any occupation, trade or industry. Exceptions: Lavor on a ipalities having population of 10,000 or less. | Women and girls. | Any woman or girl physically otherwise, or any apprentice, may be granted license au: minimum. |
| Massachusetts: Session laws 1937, ch. 401; 1938 , 19 ch 237, , 1338 , ch. 237. | Minimum-wage commission established in the department of trol of commissioner of labor and industries and consisting of and industries. | Investigation at discretion of commissioner, or on petion or 50 or more residents of the Common wealth, to ascertain $\begin{aligned} & \text { Whther } \\ & \text { of wabstantian number } \\ & \text { or minors in }\end{aligned}$ an occupation are paid oppremsive ar and unsteasonabecupation wase i.e., paid than fair and reasonable value of services renthan fair and reasonable value of services ren- dered and iess than sufficient to meet minimum <br>  pay colls, and other eramining books, revisters, con employert. If convinced of end possession, commission shall appoin board without special investigation. | Commission appoints wage board composed of an equal number of representatives, but not more than 3, of employers and employees, and not more than 3 representatives of the public, 1 of the public group to be designated chairman. After studying evidence and testimony of witnesses board must, within 60 davs of its organization, suibmit a report recommending mini- mum fair wage standards. Within 10 days, the commission must accept or reject this report. If accepted, report must be published and public hearing held. After final approval of wage- board report, commissioner issues a direclory commissioner may following a public hearing | Publication of names of employers not complying with dir tory or mandatory order. tory order punishable by fine or imprisonment or both wages, costs, and attorney's fees. | Wage fairly and reasonably cervicensurate or class of service ren.ent dered. In determining minimum fair wase, commissioner <br> and waee board may monsider cost of living and wages paidin State for like or comparable work by employers voluntarily wage standards. | Any occupation, i. e., any industry, trade or business, work therein. Exceptions: of the employer; labor on a farm. | Women; minors (persons of either sex under 21 years of age). | Any woman or minor, including a learner or apprentice, whose by age or physical or menta deficiency or injury may be granted license authorizing a for a fixed period. |

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| State | Authority empowered to admuisister law | Procedure preliminary to setting wage rates | Procedure for setting wage rates | $\underbrace{\text { Means provided for securing }}$ enforement | Basis of wage rates | Occupations or industries covered by law | Employees covered by law | Exceptions |
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| Minnesota <br> General statutes 1027 secs. 4033, 4210-4232 session laws 1937, ch. 79 . 79. | Industrial commission. (Commission is composed of orembers with the advice and consent of the senate, for terms of 6 years.) | Investigation at discretion of commission, or on request or at east 1 poo persons engayed in occupa tion, to ascertain whether onesixith or more Women or minors are paid less than iliving wage. Investivation conducted by examining papers Investigation conducted by examining papers books, witnosses, and by holding pubbic hearings at which employers, employees, or other interested persons may testify. appoints an advisory board. | Commission sets a minimum wage and issues a mandatory order;; or commission establishes an advisory board of not less than 3 or more than 10 representatives of employers. an equal number of the public, the representatives of the public, not to exceed the number in either of the other groups. At least one-fifth of the members of the board must be women and the public group must include at least 1 woman. After investigation the board recommends minimumwage rates which the commission may accept or reject. A the minimum wage without ap- determines the pointing an advisory board, it issues a mandapointing an tory order. | Refusal to comply with law a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment. Employee may recover back wages, costs, and attorney's fees. | Wage sufficient to maintain health and supply necessary comforts and conditions of life. | Any occupation, i. e., any busibranch of trade. | Women: minors (persons of either sex years of age). | In an occupation in which only time rates aree establishec, a $\operatorname{may}_{\text {izing }} \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{a}}$ wa wage less than the minimum. Number so licensed must not exceed one- tenth of the total number of workers in an establishment. |
| Nevada: | Labor commisisioner.. |  | Minimum wage fixed by law | Noncompliance a misdemeanor, punishable by fine or im prisonment, or both. | Wage sufficient to maintain health and welfare. | Private employment. Excepcounty, city, or town em ployees. | Any female- | Probationary period not to exceed 3 months. |
|  | Labor commissioner | Investigation at discretion of commissioner, or on penition of 50 or more residents of the ot tate, to ascertain whether substantial number of women <br>  reasonable value of service rendered and 1ess than sufficient to meet the minimuc ocost of ivving neeessary for health. Investigation con- ducted by examining books, regeisters, pay rolls and other records of employers. hf convinced of need on basis of information in his possession, commissiner shall appoi out special investigation. | Commissioner appoints wage board composed of more than 3 , of employers and employees, and not more than 3 representatives of the public, of the public group to be designated chairman After studying evidence and testimony of witnesses board must, within 60 days of its organization, submit a report recommending mini- mum fair wage standards. Within 10 days commissioner must accept or reject this report. If accepted, report must be published and pub- Iic hearing held. After final approval of waselic hearing held. Atter final approval of wage- board report, commissioner issues a directory order months and following a public hearing the commissioner may make the order mandatory. | Publication of names of employers not complying with direc Noncompliance with mandatory order punishable by fine or imployee may recover back wages, costs, and attorney's fees. | Wage fairly and reasonably comice or class of service rendered. In determining minimum fair wage, commissioner and wage paid in State for like or comparable work by employers mum fair wage standards. | Any occupation, i. e., any industry, trade, or business, or branch thereof or class of work therein. Exceptions: Domes- tic service in the home of the employer; labor on a farm. | Women; minors (persons of either sex under 21 years of age) | Any woman or minor, including a learner or apprentice, whose age or physical or mental deficiency or injury may be granted license authorizing for a fixed period. |
| New Jersey: <br> vilutes 1937 vol. 2, secs. $34: 1-1$, $11-34$ to $34: 11-56$. <br> New York: | Commissioner of labor or the director of the minimum-wage dividepartment of labor. |  | Commissioner appoints wage board composed of more than 3, of employers and employees, and not more than 3 representatives of the public, 1 After studying evidence and testimony of witnesses board must, within 60 days of its organization, submit a report recommending mini- num fair wage standards. Within 10 days, commissioner must accept or reject this report. If accepted, report must be published and pub- lic hearing held. After final approval of wageoard report, commissioner issues a directory After 9 months and following a public hearing the andatory. | Publication of names of employrs not complying with direc Noncompliance with mandatory order a misdemeanor, punishor both. Employee may recover back wag attorney's fees. | Wage fairly and reasonably comice or class of service rendered. In determining minimum fair wage, commissioner and wage board may consider wages paid in State for like or comparable work by employers voluntarily maintaining minimum fair wage standards. | Any occupation, i. e., any industry, trade or business, or branch thereof or class of work therein. Exceptions: Domestic service in the home of the em- ployer; labor on a farm; employment in a hotel. | ---do- | Do. |
|  | Industrial commissioner | Investivation at discretion of commissioner, or on <br>  tain whether substantial number of tomen or minors in the occupation are paid wages insufficient to provide edaceauate maintenance and to proteet examinge books, reeisters, pay rolls, and other reards of employers. If convinced of need on hasis of information in his sioner shall appsint a wage board without special investigation. | Commissioner appoints wage board composed of an equal number of representatives, yees, and not more than 3 representatives of the pubiic, 1 of the public group to be designated chairman. After studying evidence and testimony of witnesses board must, within 60 days of its organi- zation, submit a report recommending mini-mum-wage standards. Within 10 days commissioner must accept or reject this report. If accepted, report must be published and public hearing held. After final approval of wage- board report, commissioner issues a directory order. commissioner may make the order mandatory. | Publication of names of employdirectory or mandatory order Noncompliance with mandatory order a misdemeanor punishor both. Employee may reattorney's fees. | In determining minimum wage ior any service of class of serv- ice, commissioner and wage board may consider: (1) The adequate maintenance and to protect health; (2) the value of the service or class of service in the State for like or comparable work. | Any occupation, i. e., any industry, trade, business or class of work exceptions: Domes- tic service in the home of the employer; labor on a farm. | ---do | Do. |

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| State | Authority empowered to administer law | Procedure preliminary to setting wage rates | Procedure for setting wage rates | Means provided for securing | Easis of wage rates | Occupations or industries | Employees covered by law | Exceptions |
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| supplement to com pile laws 1913-25, $396 \mathrm{~b} 3, \quad 396 \mathrm{~b} 6$ 396b9, 396b11-396b16, session laws 1935, ch 162. | Commissioner of agriculture and labor. | Investigation at discretion of commissioner to ascer tain whether substantial number of women in supply the necessarary yost of iliving and maintain health. Investigation conducted by onaning books, pay rolls, other records, and witnesses and by holding, public hearings at which any anterestad persons may testify. If convineed of need commissioner may convene a conference. | Commissioner appoints conference composed of an equal number of representatives, but not <br>  not more than 3 representatives of the pubic, and the commisioner. Atter study ining evidence and testimony of witnesses, the conference submits ar areport recommending minimum-wage standards. Commissioner must accept tor oreject this report. If aceepted, notice must be pub- lished and public. hearing held. approval commissioner issues a mandatory order. | Noncompliance a misdemeanor punishable by fine or im punishabie by fine or im , prisonment or both. Emplovee may recover wages and attorney's fees. | Wage adequate to supply neces. sary cost of living to women workers. and to maintain health. Wages not unreasonably low for minors. | Any occupation, i. e., any business, industry, trade, or branch thereof. Exceptions: Agriculture; domestic service | Women; minors (persons of either sex under 18 of either sex years of age). | Any female physieally defective by age or otherwise, or any apprentice or learner, may be granted license authorizing ${ }^{2}$. wase less than the minimum. |
| Ohio: <br> General Code (Page) 1937, sec $154-45 t$. | Director of industrial relations or the superintendent of the minibe set up in the department of industrial relations. |  | Director appoints wage board composed of an equal number or representatives, but not more than 3, of employers and employees, and not more than 3 rrppresentatives of the public, , of the public group to be designated chairman. After studying evidence and testimony of witnesses board must, within 60 days of its organizafair wage standards. Within 10 days director must accept or reject this report. If accepted, report must be published and public hearing report must fe published and public hearing held. After final approval of wage-board report, director issues a directory order. director may make the order mandatory. | Publication of names of employers not complying with directory order with manda punishable by fine or im prisonment or both. Emwages, costs, and attorney's fees. | Wage fairly and reasonably com ice or class of service rendered In determining minimum fair wage, director, superintend sider wages paid in State for like or comparable work by employers voluntarily main- taining minimum fair wage standards. | Any occupation, i. e., any industry, trade or business, or branch thereof or class of work therein. Exceptions: Domes- tic service in the home of the employer; labor on a farm. | Women; minors (persons years of age) | Any woman or minor, including a learner or apprentice, whose by age or physical or mental granted license authorizing a for a fixed period. |
|  | Industrial welfare commission (Commission composed of gov and chairman of State industrial commission.) | Investigation at discretion of commission to deter mine whether wages paid employees in an occu pation are inadequate to supply necessary cost of living and maintain health. Investigation of living and maintain by calling for statements, examining books, pay rolls, or other records of employers, and by holding public hearings at which any interested persons may testify. If convinced of need co | Commission appoints conference composed of equal number or and employees, and 1 or more meper esentatives of the public (but public representataivess must not and a member of the commission who shall act as chairman. Conference recommends minimum wage which the commission may accept or rejeect. If accepted, the commission issues a mandatory order. | Failure to pay minimum wage a misdemeanor, punishable by back wages, costs, and attorney's fees. | Wage adequate to supply necessary cost of living and to main minors. | Any industry or occupation culture, dairy or stock raising raising | Men and women; minors (persons of either sex under 18 years of age | Any employee physically defecwise or any apprentice may be granted license authorizing a for a fixed period. |
| 49-304, 49-305, 3 , secs. to 49-319; supplement 49-3020, 49-303, 49-306. | State welfare commission. (Com mission is composed of 3 unthe governor for terms of 4 years The commissioner of labor is to serve as officer.) | Investigation at discretion of commission to ascer tain whether substantial number of women are paid wayes inadequate to supply the necessary cost of living and maintain health. Investigation conducted by examining witnesses, books, pay rolls, and other records of employers and by ons may testify. If convinced of need commis sons may testify. If convinced sion may convene a conference. |  | Noncompliance a misdemeanor punishable by fine or im prisonment or both. Em ployee may recover back wages and ettorney's fees. | Wage adequate to supply neces sary cost of living to women health. Wage not unreasonbly low for minors. | Any occupation, i. e., any and every vocation, pursuit, trade, or industry. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Women: minors (persons } \\ & \text { of eiter seas uns } \\ & \text { years of age). } \end{aligned}$ | In an occupation in which only time rates are established, a woman physically defective or crippled by age or otherwise may be granted license au- thorizing a wage less than the minimum. |
| Pennsylvania: Session 248. laws 1937, Act | Department of labor and industry. | Investigation at discretion of department, or on petition of 50 or more residents of the state, to or minors are paid wages less than sufficient to conducted by examining books, registers, pay ollls, and other records of employers. If convinced of need on basis of information in per and sion of department, secretary of labor a special investigation. |  | Publication of names of employers not complying with Noncompliance with mandatory order a misdemeanor, onment or both or imprismay recover back wages, costs, and attorney's fees. | Wage fairly and reasonably commensurate with value o service or class of service renderve. In deternining a and wage board may consider cost of living and wages paid in the state lor like or com- parable work by employers voluntarily maintaining min mum fair wage standards. | Any occupation, i. e.e. any in- <br>  <br>  relifious community or char-- table institution t Iabor on a farm; boys lawfully employed in sale and delivery of news- and papers and magazines; persons sabict sto eral Railway Labor Act. | Women; minors (persons of either sex years of age). | Any woman or minor, including learner or apprentice, whose age or physical or mental deficiency or injury, may be wage less than the minimum for a fixed period. |

ANALYSIS OF STATE MINIMUM-WAGE LAWS-Continued

| State | Authority empowered to adminisister law | Procedure preliminary to setting wage rates | Procedure for setting wage rates | Means provided for securing | Basis of wage rates | Occupations or industries covered by law overed by law | Employees covered by law | Exceptions |
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| Puerto Rico: <br> $45 ; 1931$, Act 15 , sec $45 ;$ 10 . | Commissioner of la |  | Minimu | Noncompliance a misdemeanor, punishable by fine. |  | Industrial occupations; commercial or pubiceservice uncuture and agricultural in- dustries dustries. | Women and girls |  |
| Rhode Island: <br> ary session) 1936 (Janu- <br> ary session), ch. 2289 | Director of labor and commissioner appointed as chief of division of women and children. | Investigation at discretion of director or commissioner, or on petition of 50 or more residents of the women or minors in an occupation are paid oppressive and unreasonable wages, i. e., less d, less han the industry can afford to pay, and less than sary for health. Investigation conducted by examining registers, pay rolls, other records of employers, and witnesses. If convinced of need employers, and witnesses. If convinced of need shall appoint a wage board without special inves tigation. gation. | Director appoints wage board composed of an equal number of representatives, but not more than 3 , of employers and employees, and 1 be designated chairman. After studying within 60 days of its organization, submit a report Within 10 days director shall accept or reject this eport. If accepted, report must be published and public hearing held. After final approval of order. After 3 months and following a public hearing the director may make the order mandatory. | Publication of names of em- <br> ployers not complying with directory order <br> Noncompliance with mandatory order a misdemeanor punishor both. Employee may reattorney's fees. | Wage fairly and reasonably com mensurate with value of servand not greater than the int dustry can afford to pay. In wage, the commissioner and the wage board may consider (1) wages paid in this and other work by employers voluntarily maintaining minimum fair wages the industry can afford to pay. | Any industry, trade or business, branch thereof or class of Domestic service in the home of the employer; labor on a farm | Women; minors (persons of either sex years of age). | Any woman or minor, including a learner or apprentice, whose y age or physical or menta deficiency or injury may be wage less than the minimum for a fixed period. |
| ompiled laws 1929, E; session laws 1931, chs. 173, 174 . | Secretary of agriculture |  | Minimum wage fixed by law | Noncompliance a misdemeanor, punishable ty ine or imprison ment or both. Employee may recover back wages and costs. | A living wage | Any factory, workshop, mechan ical or mercantile establishrant, or packing house. | Any woman or girl the age of 14 years. | Any woman mentally or physically deficient or disabled may ing a wage lower than the miniApprentice or learner if employer obtains permission to employ |
| Utah: Revised statutes 1933, secs. 42-1-1, 103-1-16; session laws 1933, ch. 38 . | Industrial commission. (Commission is composed of 3 memwith the consent of the senate, for terms of 6 years.) | Investigation at discretion of commission to deter mine whether wages paid to women and minors cost of proper living. Investigation conducted by examining books, papers, pay rolls, or recings at which employers, employees, and other interested persons may testify. If convission shall call a wage board. | Commission calls wage board composed of an equal number or representatives of employers and empioyes with a representanve mission as chairman. After studying the evidence the board recommends minimum-wage rates to the commission, which, arter a pubic hearing, fixes the minimum rates for the industry and issues a mandatory order. | do | W age adequate to supply necessary cost of proper living and fare. | Any occupation, trade, or indus- | Women; minors (females under 21 , males under years of age). | Any woman physically defective by age or otherwise may be wage lower than minimum License must be renewed every 6 months pprentice or learner: Specia for specified period. |
|  | Industrial welfare committee (Committee is composed of the appointed by the governor with holding office at his pleasure; ance and the supervisor of industrial relations appointed by the the supervisor of women in industry and the industrial statistician appointed by the superthe approval of the director of labor and industries.) | Investigation at discretion of the committee to ascertain whether wages paid to female employthe necessary cost of living and maintain health. Investigation conducted by examining books, nesses, and by holding public hearings at which employers, employees, and other interested peremployers, employees, and other interested per- sons may testify. If convinced of need committee is empowered to call a conference. | Committee calls conierence composed of an equal number of representatives of employers and employees in an occeapation or industry, 1 or not to exceed that in either of the other groups, anan. The onfier ence recommendas a minimum If age, which the committee may accept or reject. ormietitee may at any time arter inquiry deter- mine suitable wages for minors and issue mandamine suitable wages for minors and issue manda tory order. | Noncompliance a misdemeanor, punishabie by fine. Em- ployee may recover hack wages costs, and attorney's fees. | W age adequate to supply neces sary cost of living and mainfor minors. | do | Women; minors (persons <br> of either sex under years of age). | Any woman physically defective crippled by age or otherwise granted license zuthorizing a lower wage. ower wage |
| Statutes 1937 , secs. 101.01 to $101.28,104.01$ to to 101.28, 10. $104.12,319.01$. | Industrial commission. mission is composed of 3 (Com- members appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, for terms of 6 years.) | Investigation at discretion of commission, or on the filing of a verified complaint of any person, to ascertain whether wage paid to any woman or minor is not a living wage. | Commission appoints an advisory wage board selected to represent fairly employers, employselected to represent fairly employers, employees, and the public. The living wage determined by the commission and this advisory board shall be the minimum wage. | Employer not complying shall forfeit and pay into State treasury. | Living wage, i. e., sufficient to maintain worker under condiwelfare to mean and include physical well-being, decency, and moral well-being. | Every person in receipt of, or entitled to, any compensation for labor pertormed for any employer. | Women; minors (persons of either sex under 21 years of age). | Any woman or minor unable to earn the living wage may ob tain license fixing a lower wage |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The first law was passed in Massachusetts in 1912 and became effective July 1, 1913.

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ The Arizona and Kentucky laws say shall.
    The Minnesota blanket order, however, has been modified because of litigation involving 4 industries for which separate orders will be issued.
    ${ }^{5}$ Estimates based on U. S. Census of Occupations, 1930.
    6 The States that have laws but have not yet set rates are Kansas, Kentucky, and Louisiana. (Since this report went to press Kentucky has adopted a blanket order and the single Utah order has been held void by the State Supreme Court on the basis of the procedure followed in setting the rates.)
    ${ }^{7}$ For variations allowed for locality, undertime, and overtime, see details in this report, pp. 3 to 34.
    8 The act sets minimum wages at 25 cents an hour for the first year, or until October 24, 1939; 30 cents for the next 6 years; thereafter, 40 cents an hour, or the rate fixed by an industry committee, but not less than 30 cents an hour.

[^2]:    ${ }^{58}$ Minors producing the same output as employees in a higher wage classification must be paid the minimum rate for such class.

