



## Occupations with the largest percent of workforce earning minimum wage in Rhode Island

Occupation	RI Estimated Employment	RI Estimated Minimum Wage Workers	Median Wage
Fast Food & Counter Workers	12,650	1,265	\$14.64
Retail Salespersons	11,460	1,150	\$16.76
Waiters & Waitresses	11,010	1,100	\$20.48
Cashiers	9,710	970	\$14.92
Bartenders	3,560	360	\$16.20
Light Truck Drivers	3,500	350	\$21.75
Miscellaneous Assemblers & Fabricators	2,940	295	\$18.52
Dining Room & Cafeteria Attendants & Bartender Helpers	2,720	270	\$14.43
Packers & Packagers, Hand	2,300	230	\$16.14
Food Preparation Workers	2,250	225	\$17.05

### Occupations with the largest percent of workforce earning minimum wage by industry

<b>Food Preparation &amp; Service Occupations</b>
Fast Food & Counter Workers Waiters & Waitresses Bartenders
<b>Sales Occupations</b>
Telemarketers Cashiers Retail Salespersons
<b>Transportation &amp; Material Moving Occupations</b>
Light Truck Drivers Packers & Packagers, Hand Driver/Sales Workers

### Rhode Island Minimum Hourly Wage Rates

Minimum Wage	Effective Date
\$16.00	January 1, 2026
\$15.00	January 1, 2025
\$14.00	January 1, 2024
\$13.00	January 1, 2023
\$12.25	January 1, 2022
\$11.50	October 1, 2020
\$10.50	January 1, 2019
\$10.10	January 1, 2018
\$9.60	January 1, 2016
\$9.00	January 1, 2015
\$8.00	January 1, 2014
\$7.75	January 1, 2013
\$7.40	January 1, 2007
\$7.10	March 1, 2006
\$6.75	January 1, 2004

### Federal Minimum Wage

\$7.25	July 24, 2009
\$6.55	July 24, 2008

