

HISTORY OF MINIMUM WAGE

First federal
minimum wage

\$7.25

.25¢

Current federal
minimum wage

**SEATTLE,
WASHINGTON**

19

First city to approve a \$15
minimum wage increase

Number of states that
begin 2017 with higher
minimum wages

Last time the federal
minimum wage
was raised

2009

12%
Increase in the cost of living
since the last time the
federal minimum wage
was raised

Number of workers that
will receive a raise due to
Cook County, IL minimum
wage increase

200,000

Number of states that pay
higher minimum wages
than required by
federal law

29

30

Number of cities with
minimum wage
requirements

Number of counties with
minimum wage
requirements

10