

Minimum Wage & Supplemental Security Income Benefits

Washington State Minimum Wage

Date	Washington state	Seattle	SeaTac	Tacoma
2017	\$11.00	\$11.00-\$15.00*	\$15.34	\$11.15
2018	\$11.50	\$11.50-\$15.45*	\$15.64	\$12
2019	\$12.00	\$12.00- TBD**	**	**
2020	\$13.50	\$13.50-TBD**	**	**

Fact: In the state of Washington, an individual receiving SSI benefits can earn at least **\$32,760** per year and still stay connected to SSI and Medicaid. Eligibility to SSI and Medicaid will continue even if the SSI check is reduced to zero dollars!

*amount varies based on size of company and amount contributed to medical benefits.

**adjusted annually for inflation

\$32,760

2017*



The annual amount that can be earned and stay connected to SSI and Medicaid. More can possibly be earned depending on the individuals' circumstances.

Fact: \$750 is the maximum monthly SSI payment for 2018.

Fact: For every \$2 that an individual earns, the SSI check will be reduced by about \$1. The 2 for 1 reduction ensures that a worker will always have more monthly income than on SSI alone.

This information only applies to individuals receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI). This information does **NOT** apply to individuals who are receiving Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI).

Example Calculations at 20 hours per week

	\$11.50 hr	\$15.64 hr
Monthly Gross wages	\$995.00	\$1355.00
General Exclusion	-\$85.00	-\$85.00
Sub total	\$910.00	\$1270.00
Divide by 2		
Countable Income	\$455.00	\$635.00
SSI Full Benefit Rate:	\$750.00	\$750.00
-countable income:	-455.00	-635.00
Adjusted SSI Amount	\$295.00	\$115.00
Wages	\$995.00	\$1355.00
Total Income	\$1290.00	\$1470.00

It pays to work!