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Employers should review compensation rates for both exempt and nonexempt employees, to ensure compliance with current legal thresholds. Set forth below are rates at the federal level, and for the states and localities that exceed federal levels for the most common job categories.

The following minimum compensation rates are effective as of January 1, 2013 (except where another effective date noted):		
EXEMPTION	MINIMUM COMPENSATION	
Nonexempt	\$7.25/hour	
Executive	\$4551/week on salary basis	
Professional or Administrative	\$455/week on salary or fee basis	
Computer	\$27.63/hour	
Highly Compensated	\$100,000 total compensation (including minimum \$455 minimum weekly salary or fee)	
Licensed practicing Medical Doctor or Attorney; Teacher	None	
Business Owner (20% minimum equity and engaged in management)	None	
Outside Sales	None	
	EXEMPTION Nonexempt Executive Professional or Administrative Computer Highly Compensated Licensed practicing Medical Doctor or Attorney; Teacher Business Owner (20% minimum equity and engaged in management)	

ALASKA	Nonexempt	\$7.75/hour	
ARIZONA	Nonexempt \$7.80/hour (increase from 2012)		
CALIFORNIA	Nonexempt \$8.00/hour		
	San Francisco	\$10.55/hour (increase from 2012)	
	San Jose	\$10.00/hour (effective approximately Feb./Mar. 2013)	
	Executive, Professional or Administrative	\$2,773.33/month on salary basis	
	Computer	\$39.90/hour, \$6,927.75/month or \$83,132.93/year (increase from 2012)	
	Licensed Physician	\$72.70/hour (increase from 2012)	
COLORADO	Nonexempt	\$7.78/hour (increase from 2012)	
CONNECTICUT	Nonexempt \$8.25/hour		
FLORIDA	Nonexempt	\$7.79/hour (increase from 2012)	
ILLINOIS	Nonexempt	\$8.25/hour (increase currently under consideration)	
MAINE	Nonexempt	\$7.50/hour	
MASSACHUSETTS	Nonexempt	\$8.00/hour	
MICHIGAN	Nonexempt	\$7.40/hour	

MISSOURI	Nonexempt	\$7.35/hour (increase from 2012)	
MONTANA	Nonexempt	\$7.80/hour (increase from 2012)	
NEVADA	Nonexempt	\$7.25/hour (if qualifying health benefits available) \$8.25/hour (all others) (increase may be announced in April 2013)	
NEW JERSEY	Nonexempt	\$7.25/hour (increase to \$8.50/hour currently under consideration)	
NEW MEXICO	Nonexempt	\$7.50/hour	
OHIO	Nonexempt	\$7.85/hour (only for employers with gross revenue of ≥\$288,000/yr) (increase from 2012)	
OREGON	Nonexempt	\$8.95/hour (increase from 2012)	
RHODE ISLAND	Nonexempt	\$7.75/hour (increase from 2012)	
VERMONT	Nonexempt	\$8.60/hour (increase from 2012)	
WASHINGTON, DC	Nonexempt	\$8.25/hour	
WASHINGTON STATE	Nonexempt	\$9.19/hour (increase from 2012)	
	Outside Sales Exemption	guaranteed salary, commission, or fee	

NOTES

1 Equivalent amounts if paid on salary basis: \$910 biweekly; \$985.83 semimonthly; \$1971.66 monthly; or \$23,660 annualized.

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