



Fair Work
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Minimum wage to
increase by 3.5%
on 1 July 2018



Check the new 1 July pay rates on the Fair Work Ombudsman's [website!](#)

International students have the same workplace rights as all other workers in Australia including minimum pay rates they have to be paid, based on the work they do.

A new national minimum wage, award wages and allowances come into effect from July 2018 - [Check your pay now!](#)

The new national minimum wage

On 1 June 2018, the Fair Work Commission (**FWC**) announced a 3.5% increase to base rates of pay, with the new national minimum wage set at **\$18.93** per hour, or **\$23.66** for casual workers.

When do the new rates take effect?

The new pay rates apply from the first full pay period commencing on or after 1 July 2018. So, if your pay week is from Monday to Sunday, the new rates take effect on Monday 2 July.

Where do I get the new rates?

The quickest way to get the new rates is through the Fair Work Ombudsman's [Pay and Conditions Tool \(PACT\)](#). Remember to set the date on PACT to 1 July.

You can also get the new award rates from the Fair Work Ombudsman's [downloadable pay guides](#).

Who do the new rates apply to?

The increase only applies to employees that get their pay rates from:

- the national minimum wage
- a modern award or
- a registered agreement (in some cases).

The increase won't affect employees who are already getting paid more than the new minimum wages. Visit [the Fair Work Ombudsman's website](#) for more information on who the increase applies to.

Staying up-to-date

Follow the Fair Work Ombudsman on [Twitter](#) or like them on [Facebook](#) for regular updates about your workplace rights and obligations, answers to FAQs and other important news and information about your workplace.

Got a question?

Contact the Fair Work Ombudsman Infoline on 13 13 94 (13 14 50 for translating and interpreting service). Many people find it easier to submit an online enquiry through the Fair Work Ombudsman's [My account](#) service.