

Low-wage workers are paid about \$10 less than the median worker

Bars show the median hourly wage of low-wage workers and all workers.

Median hourly wage of low-wage workers



Median hourly wage of all workers



In 2022, the value of the low-wage threshold is \$19.69, and the state minimum wage is \$15. The sample includes workers who live in California, were employed last week but not self-employed, ages 16+, and with non-zero earnings last week.