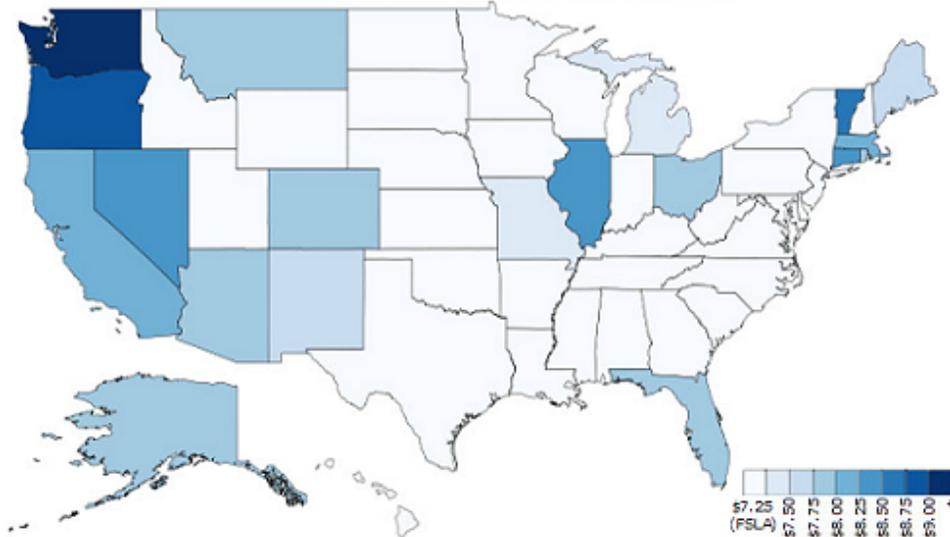


State Solutions to a National Problem

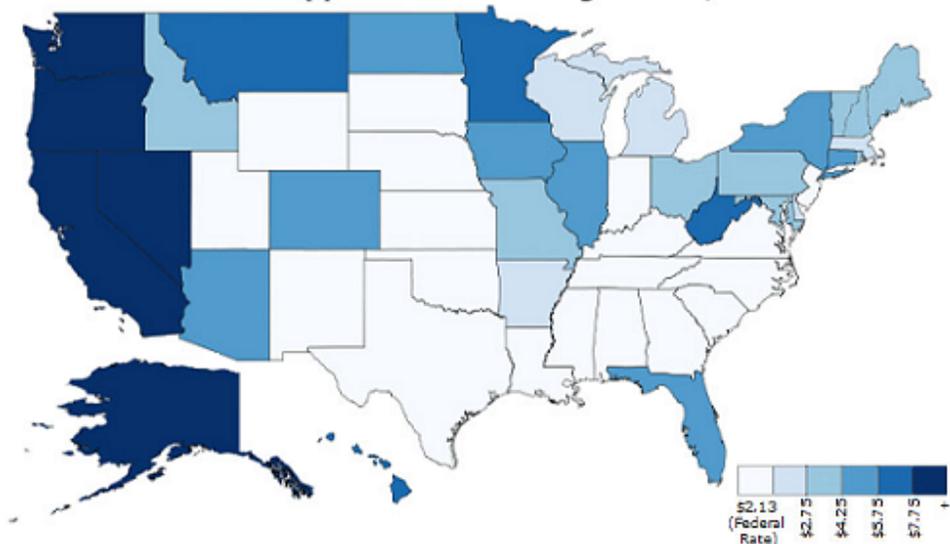
It's been **four years** since the last increase in the federal minimum wage, to **\$7.25 per hour**, or **\$15,000 per year** for full-time work. However, **19 states have raised theirs above the federal level**, and 10 of them decided to make their state minimum wages automatically keep pace with inflation, something that federal level doesn't do.

State Minimum Wage Rates, 2013



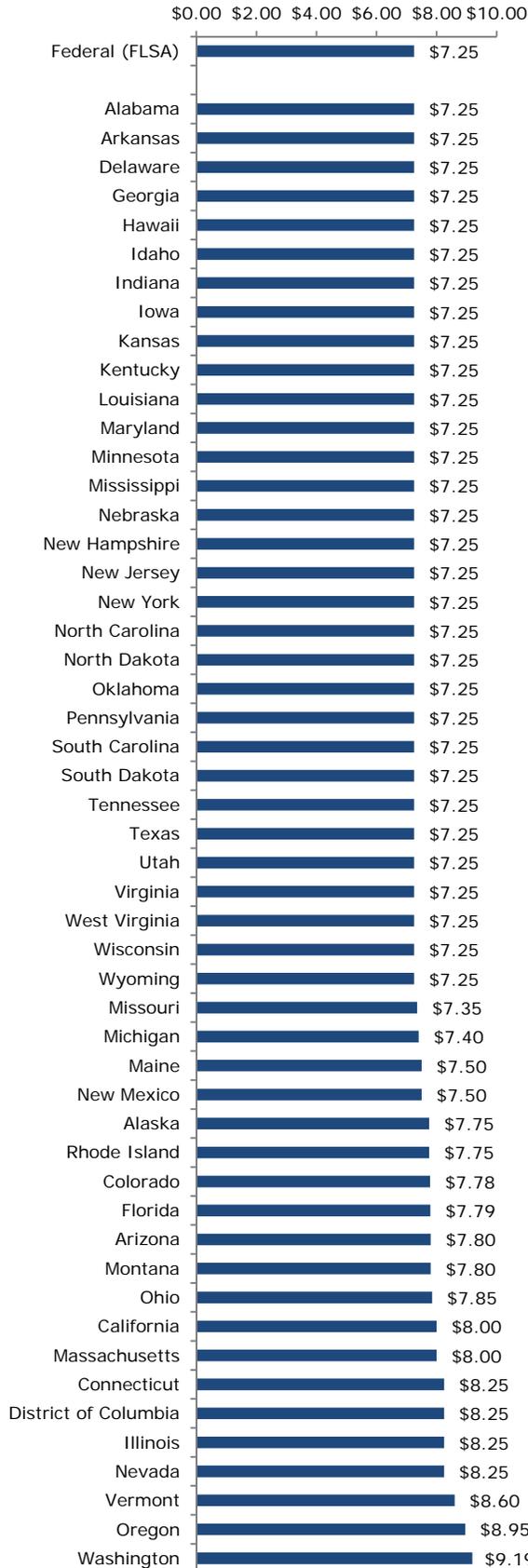
There's an even lower minimum wage for **tipped workers**. The federal minimum for these workers (such as waitstaff, hair stylists and car washers) is only **\$2.13 an hour**, a level that hasn't been increased in 21 years. However, **31 states have higher minimum wages for tipped workers**, and seven have set the tipped worker minimum at the same level as that for non-tipped workers.

State Tipped Minimum Wage Rates, 2013



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2012 State Minimum Wage



Tipped Employee Minimum Wage, 2012

