

News from the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

September 2023

Minimum-wage rates adjusted for inflation as of Jan. 1, 2024

Minnesota's minimum-wage rates will be adjusted for inflation on Jan. 1, 2024, to \$10.85 an hour for large employers and \$8.85 an hour for other state minimum wages.



"Increasing the minimum-wage rates gives the lowest-wage workers in Minnesota more earning power as they work hard to support themselves and their families," said Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry Commissioner Nicole Blissenbach.

• Read the complete news release.

Youth Skills Training grant recipients announced

Youth Skills Training grants have been awarded to five partnerships that will each receive and split \$500,000 to be used for programs that offer safe, meaningful work

experience for students in high-demand industries. <u>View more about the grant</u> recipients.

Nursing Home Workforce Standards Board first meeting is Sept. 14, executive director named

The Nursing Home Workforce Standards Board, which was created in law during the 2023 legislative session to set minimum standards necessary to protect the health and welfare of nursing home workers, will conduct its first meeting at 2 p.m., Sept. 14, at the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry. Read the complete news release.

View the Minnesota State Building Code for free online

The Minnesota State Building Code is minimum construction standard throughout all of Minnesota. Although it is not enforceable by municipalities unless it is adopted by local ordinance, it creates a level playing field for the construction industry by establishing the it as the standard for the construction of all buildings in the state. View the State Building Code.

Fall Seminar offered online and in-person

The Construction Codes and Licensing Division's (CCLD) Fall Seminar will focus on recent legislative and rulemaking updates and code requirements for townhomes. The seminar is offered in-person and remotely throughout September and October. <u>Learn</u> more and register for the seminar.

CCLD Learn online courses include continuing education

CCLD Learn offers an intuitive online interface where building trades professionals can complete continuing education courses and earn continuing education credits in topics that interest them. <u>View the catalog of courses</u>.

Next Construction Seminar: Health hazards in construction

Minnesota OSHA (MNOSHA) Compliance will host its next free Construction Seminar, "Health hazards in construction," at 7 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 19, in person and virtually. The seminars feature a presentation about a specific construction safety or health topic, plus an update from MNOSHA Compliance. Learn more on the MNOSHA Compliance: Construction Seminars webpage.

MNOSHA fatality, serious-injury investigation summaries online

Each month, Minnesota OSHA (MNOSHA) Compliance publishes current, updated summaries of its fatality investigations and serious-injury investigations.

For the federal-fiscal-year that began Oct. 1, 2022, MNOSHA has investigated 21 fatalities through Aug. 29.

The information provided about each investigation is: the inspection number, date of incident and worksite city; the type of business and number of employees; a description of the event; and the outcome of the MNOSHA Compliance investigation.

View the summaries.

The Department of Labor and Industry ensures Minnesota's work and living environments are equitable, healthy and safe.