



Factsheet

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Minimum Wage

- B.C.'s minimum wage is \$8 per hour.
- The First Job/Entry Level minimum wage is \$6 per hour. This only applies to employees with no paid work experience before November 15, 2001. After they have worked for a total of 500 hours with one or more employers, these employees are entitled to the regular minimum wage rate. See the Factsheet - *First Job/Entry-level Wage*.
- Minimum wage for live-in home support workers for each day or part of a day worked is \$80.
- Minimum wage for resident caretakers in apartment buildings with more than 8 but less than 61 suites is \$480 per month plus \$19.25 for each suite.
- Minimum wage for resident caretakers in apartment buildings with more than 60 suites is \$1,635 per month.

Minimum Piece Rates - Hand harvested crops (Effective May 16, 2003)

The following piece rates include vacation pay (4 percent)

Apples	\$ 15.60/ bin (27.1 cu. ft.)
Apricots	\$ 17.94/ 1/2 bin (13.7 cu. ft.)
Beans	\$ 0.214/ pound
Blueberries	\$ 0.362/ pound
Brussels sprouts	\$ 0.149/ pound
Cherries	\$ 0.205/ pound
Grapes	\$ 16.58/ 1/2 bin (13.7 cu. ft.)
Mushrooms	\$ 0.215/ pound
Peaches	\$ 16.58/ 1/2 bin (12.6 cu. ft.)
Pears	\$ 17.56/ bin (27.1 cu. ft.)
Peas	\$ 0.267/ pound
Prune plums	\$ 17.56/ 1/2 bin (13.7 cu. ft.)
Raspberries	\$ 0.326/ pound
Strawberries	\$ 0.314/ pound
Daffodils**	\$0.125/ bunch (10 stems)

**The rate for daffodils does not include vacation pay.



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