

## Why Minimum Wage increases have Failed

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There is a lot of discussion on “minimum wages” and “living wages. I hear commentators from everywhere giving their opinions, but I never hear the real reason that government setting a living wage at minimum can never actually work. If you follow this example you too will realize... It is impossible to set a “living wage”.

Let us assume you have worked your way up from today’s minimum at about \$7.25 (March 2019) to \$15 (this is twice minimum). The government sets the lowest wage at \$15... suddenly you find (after all you earned raises) you have been reduced to working again for “minimum wage”! What do you do? You ask for a proportional (and fair) twice minimum wage increase (to about \$30 an Hour). Well most of us can extrapolate to the conclusion that everyone will want a proportional increase. Hint; It is inflation

So soon \$15 and hour will buy no more, than \$7.25 did before the Minimum Wage pay rate hike. Who wins... well our friends in political office! Why.. because with this wage increase, they have pushed everyone into a higher tax bracket, while selling the idea of a “living Wage increase” to those on the bottom of the economic to buy votes and keep themselves in power!

Money is power... The more the politicians seize the less we have... Communism it a tax equal to 100% and then those (subjects no longer citizens) look to the government to give them their “fair share”, while keeping whatever they need (of your efforts for themselves).