

Year-End Tax Alert

Reminder! New Tax Laws Coming into Effect in 2021

With tax year 2020 coming to an end, there are several new laws becoming effective on January 1, 2021. See below for a brief synopsis of the upcoming laws along with federal, state, and local tax updates.

Federal Updates

The Social Security Administration (SSA) announced the Social Security wage base limit would increase to \$142, 800 for tax year 2021 an increase of \$5,100 from \$137,700, in 2020.

The Social Security and Medicare tax for tax year 2021 will remain unchanged. The Social security tax rate remains at 6.2% for 2021 up to the Social Security wage base limit. The maximum social security tax employees and employers will each pay in 2021 is \$8,853.60 an increase of \$316.20 from tax year 2020.

The Medicare tax rate for tax year 2021 remains at 1.45% and applies to all covered earnings for employees and employers. There is no wage base limit for Medicare. In addition, if an individual's earned income exceeds \$200,000 (\$250,000 for married couples filing jointly), the excess income amount is subject to additional Medicare tax rate of 0.9%.



State Unemployment Insurance Wage Base Limits

Jurisdiction	2021 Taxable Wage Base	2020 Taxable Wage Base	Jurisdiction	2021 Taxable Wage Base	2020 Taxable Wage Base
Alabama	\$8,000	\$8,000	Missouri	\$11,000	\$11,500
Alaska	\$43,600	\$41,500	Montana	\$35,300	\$34,100
California	\$7,000	\$7,000	Nebraska	\$9,000	\$9,000
District of Columbia	\$9,000	\$9,000	Nevada \$33,400		\$32,500
Colorado	\$13,600	\$13,600	New Hampshire \$14,000		\$14,000
Connecticut	\$15,000	\$15,000	New Jersey \$36,200		\$35,300
Delaware	\$16,500	\$16,500	New Mexico	\$27,000	\$25,800
Federal	\$7,000	\$7,000	New York	\$11,800	\$11,600
Arizona	\$7,000	\$7,000	North Carolina	\$26,000	\$36,400
Arkansas	\$10,000	\$7,000	North Dakota	\$38,500	\$36,400
Florida	\$7,000	\$7,000	Ohio	\$9,000	\$9,000
Georgia	\$9,500	\$9,500	Oklahoma	\$24,000	\$18,700
Hawaii	\$47,400	\$48,100	Oregon	\$43,800	\$42,100
Idaho	\$43,000	\$41,600	Pennsylvania	\$10,000	\$10,000
Illinois	\$12,960	\$12,740	Rhode Island	\$24,600, or \$26,100	\$24,000, or \$25,500
Indiana	\$9,500	\$9,500	South Carolina	\$14,000	\$14,000
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Kansas	\$14,000	\$14,000	Tennessee	\$7,000	\$7,,000
Kentucky	\$11,100	\$10,800	Texas	\$9,000	\$9,000
Louisiana	\$7,700	\$7,700	Utah	\$38,900	\$36,600
Maryland	\$8,500	\$8,500	Vermont	\$14,100	\$16,100
Maine	\$12,000	\$12,000	Virginia	\$8,000	\$8,000
Massachusetts	\$15,000	\$15,000	Washington	\$56,500	\$52,700
Minnesota	\$35,000	\$35,000	West Virginia	\$12,000	\$12,000
Michigan	\$9,500	\$9,000 or \$9,500	Wisconsin	\$14,000	\$14,000
Mississippi	\$14,000	\$14,000	Wyoming	\$27,400	\$26,400



State Minimum Wage Rates effective January 1st, 2021

Jurisdiction	2021 Taxable Wage Base	2020 Taxable Wage Base	Jurisdiction	2021 Taxable Wage Base	2020 Taxable Wage Base
Alabama	\$7.25	\$7.25	Missouri	\$10.30	\$9.45
Alaska	\$10.34	\$10.19	Montana	\$8.75	\$8.65
Arizona	\$12.15	\$12.00	Nebraska	\$9.00	\$9.00
Arkansas	\$11.00	\$10.00	Nevada	\$8.00	\$8.00
California	<pre>\$14 (large employer) / \$13 (small employer)</pre>	13 Large ER/	New Hampshire	\$7.25	\$7.25
Colorado	\$12.32	\$12.00	New Jersey	\$12 (large employer) / \$11 (small employer)	\$11.00
Connecticut	\$12.00	\$12.00	New Mexico	\$10.50	\$9.00
Delaware	\$9.25	\$9.25	New York	\$12.50	\$11.80
District of Columbia	\$15.00	\$15.00	North Carolina	\$7.25	\$7.25
Federal	\$7.25	\$7.25	North Dakota	\$7.25	\$7.25
Florida	\$8.65	\$8.65	Ohio	\$8.80	\$8.70
Georgia	\$5.15	\$5.15	Oklahoma	\$7.25	\$7.25
Hawaii	\$10.10	\$10.10	Oregon	\$12.00	\$12.00
Idaho	\$7.25	\$7.25	Pennsylvania	\$7.25	\$7.25
Illinois	\$11.00	\$10.00	Rhode Island	\$11.50	\$10.50
Indiana	\$7.25	\$7.25	South Carolina	\$7.25	\$7.25
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Kansas	\$7.25	\$7.25	Tennessee	\$7.25	\$7.25
Kentucky	\$7.25	\$7.25	Texas	\$7.25	\$7.25
Louisiana	\$7.25	\$7.25	Utah	\$7.25	\$7.25
Maine	\$12.15	\$12.00	Vermont	\$11.75	\$10.96
Maryland	\$11.75	\$11.00	Virginia	\$7.25	\$7.25
Massachusetts	\$13.50	\$12.75	Washington	\$13.69	\$13.50
Michigan	\$9.65	\$9.65	West Virginia	\$8.75	\$8.75
Minnesota	<pre>\$10.08 (large employer)/ \$8.21 (small employer)</pre>	\$10.00	Wisconsin	\$7.25	\$7.25
Mississippi	\$7.25	\$7.25	Wyoming	\$5.15	\$5.15



Local Minimum Wage Rates effective January 1st, 2021

Jurisdiction	Local	2021 Rate	Jurisdiction	Local	2021 Rate
Arizona	Belmont	\$15.90		Petaluma	\$15.20
California	Berkeley	\$16.07		Redwood	\$15.21
	Burlingame	\$15.00		Richmond	\$15.21
	Cupertino	\$15.65		San Carlos	\$15.24
	Daly	\$15.00		San Diego	\$14.00
	El Cerrito	\$15.61		San Jose	\$15.45
	Emeryville	\$16.84		San Leandro	\$15.00
	Flagstaff	\$15.00		San Mateo	\$15.62
	Freemont	\$15.00		Santa Clara	\$15.65
	Half Bay Moon	\$15.00		Santa Monica	\$17.13
	Hayward	\$15.00 (large employer)/\$14.00 (small employer)		South San Fran	\$15.24
	Los Altos	\$15.65	Colorado	Sunnyvale	\$16.30
	Los Angeles	\$17.13	New Mexico	Denver	\$14.77
	Mountain View	\$16.30		Bernalillo County	\$8.35 w/ healthcare benefits/\$9.35
	Novato	\$14.00 (small employer)/ \$15.00 (large employer)	New York	Las Cruces	\$10.50
	Novato	14/13		Nassau County	\$14.00
	Oakland	\$14.36		Suffolk County	\$14.00
	Palo Alto	\$15.65	Washington	Westchester County	\$14.00
	Pasadena	\$15.00 (large employer)/\$14.25 (small employer)		Seattle	\$15.00 (employers with 500 or fewer employees)/ \$16.30 (employers with 501 or more employees)

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