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5.3 Minimum Pay for Black Employees

Number of black employees earning minimum wage	Districts where lowest paid are employed	Monthly living level (MLL) or Household subsistence level (HSL) for family of 5 or 6	City or town selected by University of South Africa (UNISA) or University of Port Elizabeth (UPE) to set MLL or HSL and date	Percentage by which minimum wage exceeds this MLL or HSL
1988	2 Pretoria/Capetown	R481.34	Pretoria August 1988	96%
1989	2 Pretoria/Capetown	R511.59	Pretoria February 1989	84%

Minimum pay is to be understood as the monthly cash pay in salary or wages received by the lowest-paid employees. Include amounts withheld for employee contributions for health, pension, or other benefit plans plus scheduled bonuses prorated but not the cost of company-contributed benefits or overtime. The salary or wages of an employee engaged on a part-time basis only is to be prorated to the equivalent full-time salary for the purpose of this section.

Companies with jobs requiring employees to live at or near the workplace in company-provided housing and companies operating in rural areas may make special minimum pay calculations based on the inclusion of a special allowance covering the cost to the company of such items as housing and meals. The actual amount of pay in cash received by the employee should be clearly specified. Such calculations and data should conform to the standards and estimates obtainable from the University of South Africa or the University of Port Elizabeth and should assure the lowest paid employees of compensation at a supplemental living level or better. A company using this special arrangement should submit a supplemental statement explaining the circumstances and how its calculations are made.