

ANNEX CHAPTER 5: SOCIAL

\$10 - List of Living Wage benchmarks per country

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When implementing the Standard and preparing for the 2023 audit, the Certificate Holder (and Certification Body) shall use the LW benchmark 'For 2022 payroll data'.

Unless otherwise stated, benchmarks are indicated in local currency, in gross wage per month.

Countries in Table 2, for which no Living Wage (LW) benchmark is yet available, the Living Wage requirements still apply. When completing the Salary Matrix tool, the Certificate Holder shall use the applicable wage i.e., whichever is highest out of the minimum wage or CBA.

Table 1: List of countries with benchmark		
Country	Living Wage Benchmark	
	For 2021 payroll data	For 2022 payroll data
Argentina	38,741	107,942
Bangladesh	17,926	19,255
Belize	905	963
Brazil (all states excl Sao Paulo)	2,271	2,522
Brazil (state of Sao Paulo)	2,710	3,091
Cameroon	104,623	116,007
Chile	623,057	727,536
China	2,597	2,736
Colombia (all departments excl Caribbean coast)	na	1,783,685
Colombia (Caribbean coast)	1,717,518	1,823,372
Costa Rica	446,085	457,172
Cote d'Ivoire	100,590	137,545
Dominican Republic	18,622	19,768
Ecuador ¹	447.41	tbd ²
El Salvador	355	393
Ethiopia	4,847	10,607
Egypt	na	5,048
Ghana	1,499	1,841
Guatemala	3,242	3,374
Honduras	6,852	applicable wage ³
India	12,666	14,001
Kenya	13,943	26,932
Malawi	101,361	101,361
Mexico (all states excl Baja California)	11,782	13,177

¹ Government Salario Digno, calculated in accordance with the principles laid in the Global Living Wage Coalition (GLWC) Living Wage benchmark studies, available at https://www.trabajo.gob.ec/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/AM-087-2021-Salario-Dignosigned.pdf?x42051ACUERDO-SALARIO-DIGNO-2021.pdf (trabajo.gob.ec)

³ Since the legal minimum wage for agriculture employers is higher than the Anker Rural Living Wage Reference Value, the Certificate Holder shall use the minimum wage when completing the Salary Matrix tool



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² Further to the Exception Policy on Living Wage in Ecuador, RA anticipate the Ministry of Labor of Ecuador will publish the benchmark with which Certificate Holders in Ecuador must comply for 2022 payroll data, in March 2023.



Table 1: List of countries with benchmark			
Country	Living Wage Benchmark		
	For 2021 payroll data	For 2022 payroll data	
Mexico (Baja California)	na	16,820	
Morocco	na	2,445	
Mozambique	applicable wage	7,684	
Nicaragua	9,900	10,981	
Panama	590	601	
Peru	1,513	1,640	
Rwanda	147,111	174,290	
South Africa	4,596	4,876	
Sri Lanka	27,131	43,080	
Tanzania	317,779	330,250	
Thailand	applicable wage	14,202	
Turkey	4,954	4,954	
Uganda	716,523	770,998	
Vietnam	4,618,167	4,618,167	
Zambia	applicable wage	2,483	
Zimbabwe	applicable wage	247 (USD)	

Table 2: List of countries with no benchmark			
Country	Living Wage Benchmark		
	For 2021 payroll data	For 2022 payroll data	
Angola	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Australia	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Bulgaria	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Burkina Faso	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Burundi	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Congo (Republic of)	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Croatia	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Democratic Republic of Congo	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Eswatini	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Georgia	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Germany	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Indonesia	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Israel	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Jamaica	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Japan	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Korea (Republic of)	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Lao's People's Democratic Republic	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Madagascar	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Malaysia	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Mali	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Nepal	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Nigeria	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Papua New Guinea	applicable wage	applicable wage	





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	For 2021 payroll data	For 2022 payroll data	
Philippines	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Puerto Rico	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Senegal	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Sierra Leone	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Solomon Islands	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Spain	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Suriname	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Taiwan	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Togo	applicable wage	applicable wage	
Trinidad & Tobago	applicable wage	applicable wage	
United States of America	applicable wage	applicable wage	

