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Date on which fast-food workers across the United States and around the world are taking part in a one-day strike for higher pay and the right to unionize: [5/15/2014](#)

Number of continents where fast-food workers are taking part in the strike: [6](#)

Number of U.S. cities where fast-food workers will be striking: [150](#)

Hourly wage the striking U.S. fast-food workers are demanding: [\\$15](#)

Average hourly wage currently earned by U.S. fast-food workers: [\\$9](#)

Yearly salary that amounts to: [about \\$19,000](#)

Official poverty line for a family of three: [\\$19,790](#)

Current U.S. minimum wage: [\\$7.25](#)

Level to which President Obama has called for raising the minimum wage: [\\$10.10](#)

Date on which an appointed mayoral committee in Seattle recommended establishing a \$15 minimum wage in the city: [5/1/2014](#)

Hourly wage earned by Louise Marie Rantzau, a McDonald's worker in Denmark who says she's committed to supporting other fast-food workers' rights: [\\$21](#)

Profit McDonald's earned last year alone: [\\$5.6 billion](#)

Total annual compensation for McDonald's top seven corporate executives: [\\$67.6 million](#)

Amount McDonald's has contributed to federal politicians since 1989 as part of its efforts to keep wages low and workers unorganized: [\\$5.8 million](#)

Estimated amount that public assistance for fast-food workers costs taxpayers each year: [at least \\$3.8 billion](#)

For McDonald's workers alone: [\\$1.2 billion](#)

Percent of McDonald's workers who say they have been the victims of wage theft: [84](#)

Date on which McDonald's hosts its annual shareholders meeting in Oak Brook, Illinois, where workers' wages are expected to be a central issue: [5/22/2014](#)

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