

Table 1: Minimum wages for farm workers in the Republic of South Africa					
1 March 2009 To 28 February 2010		1 March 2010 To 28 February 2011		1 March 2011 To 29 February 2012	
Hourly	6.31	6.74		Previous years' wage + CPI*+1%	
Weekly	284.23	303.84			
Monthly	1231.70	1316.69			
<p>*CPI (excluding owners' equivalent rent) has replaced CPIX as the new headline earning. The CPI utilized for the purpose of 1 March 2010 to 28 February 2011 calculation of minimum wages for the farm worker sector is the one available 6 weeks prior to 1 March 2010 and therefore the November 2009 (Published 15/12/2009) was utilized as the December 2009 CPI will only become available on 27/01/2010, and stood at 5.9%. The gazetted adjustment indicated that CPI plus 1% should be used to determine the new minimum wage level, therefore the minimum wage will be adjusted by 5.9% + 1% = 6.9%.</p>					