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Interviews: 1002 adults  
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**FINAL**

Study #11479  
NELP Minimum Wage Survey  
January 2015

48 Male 52 Female <b>[109]</b>
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***Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.***

1. There is now a proposal to raise the federal minimum wage from its current level of \$7.25 per hour and increase it by \$1.05 each year for the next five years, so that it reaches \$12.50 in the year 2020. Which statement best describes your opinion of this proposal?

Strongly favor .....	44	<b>[108]</b>
Somewhat favor.....	31	
Somewhat oppose .....	15	
Strongly oppose.....	10	
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<b>Total Favor</b>	<b>75</b>	
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>25</b>	

2. If your member of Congress voted in favor of this proposal to raise the minimum wage in order to reach \$12.50 in the year 2020, would that make you more likely or less likely to support that member of Congress in the next election, or would it not affect your vote either way?

More likely to support .....	44	<b>[109]</b>
Less likely to support .....	23	
Not affect vote either way .....	33	

<b>ROTATE ORDER OF Q.3a AND Q.3b.</b>
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- 3a. Congress may also consider other proposals that would raise the minimum wage by different amounts between now and 2020. Which statement best describes your opinion of a proposal to raise the federal minimum wage by seventy-five cents each year for the next five years, so that it reaches \$11.00 in the year 2020?

Strongly favor .....	29	<b>[110]</b>
Somewhat favor.....	42	
Somewhat oppose .....	19	
Strongly oppose.....	10	
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<b>Total Favor</b>	<b>71</b>	
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>29</b>	

- 3b. Congress may also consider other proposals that would raise the minimum wage by different amounts between now and 2020. Which statement best describes your opinion of a proposal to raise the federal minimum wage by \$1.55 each year for the next five years, so that it reaches \$15.00 in the year 2020?

Strongly favor .....	36	<b>[111]</b>
Somewhat favor.....	27	
Somewhat oppose .....	20	
Strongly oppose.....	17	
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<b>Total Favor</b>	<b>63</b>	
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>37</b>	

4. Some people have suggested that the minimum wage should be adjusted each year to keep up with the changing cost of living. Do you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose making a cost of living adjustment in the minimum wage?

Strongly favor .....	46	<b>[112]</b>
Somewhat favor.....	36	
Somewhat oppose .....	11	
Strongly oppose.....	7	
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<b>Total Favor</b>	<b>82</b>	
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>18</b>	

5. Under federal law, workers who receive tips on the job can be paid less than the regular minimum wage, as little as \$2.13 per hour, as long as their tips make up the difference. Do you think the minimum wage for tipped workers should be raised so that all workers have the same minimum wage, or do you think the minimum wage for tipped workers should continue to be much lower?

Tipped minimum wage should be raised .....	71	<b>[113]</b>
Tipped minimum wage should continue to be lower .....	29	

**FACTUALS**

F1. Are you currently registered to vote in **(INSERT RESPONDENT'S STATE)**?

Yes .....	86	<b>[118]</b>
No.....	14	

F2. Regardless of how you may be registered, how would you describe your overall point of view in terms of the political parties?

Mostly Democratic.....	23	<b>[119]</b>
Leaning Democratic.....	15	
Completely independent.....	30	
Leaning Republican .....	14	
Mostly Republican .....	18	
<b>Total Democratic</b>	<b>38</b>	
<b>Total Republican</b>	<b>32</b>	

F3. How old are you?

18-24.....	11	<b>[123/124]</b>
25-29 .....	8	
30-34 .....	10	
35-39.....	8	
40-44.....	7	
45-49.....	9	
50-54.....	10	
55-59.....	10	
60-64.....	9	
65-69.....	10	
70 and over.....	8	

F4. What race do you consider yourself?

White.....	71	<b>[125/130]</b>
Black/African American.....	11	>
Hispanic or Latino .....	12	
Native American or Alaska Native ....	1	
Asian.....	5	
Other .....	2	

F5. Which of the following includes your TOTAL household income before taxes in 2014?

Less than \$25,000 .....	14	<b>[131/132]</b>
\$25,000 to \$34,999 .....	13	
\$35,000 to \$49,999.....	16	
\$50,000 to \$59,999.....	10	
\$60,000 to \$74,999.....	11	
\$75,000 to \$99,999.....	14	
More than \$100,000.....	22	

F6. What is your marital status?

Married, .....	55	<b>[133]</b>
Living with partner .....	7	
Single, never married .....	24	
Separated.....	1	
Divorced .....	9	
Widowed.....	4	

F7. Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

Working full time .....	44	<b>[134]</b>
Working part time.....	9	
Self-employed.....	5	
Student .....	4	
Homemaker .....	8	
Retired .....	23	
Not employed currently/unable to work.....	7	

F8. Do you have any children under the age of 18 living at home?

Yes.....	29	<b>[136]</b>
No .....	71	

F9. What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?

Grade school or less .....	-	<b>[137]</b>
Some high school .....	3	
High school graduate .....	33	
Some college .....	20	
2-year college/technical school.....	10	
4-year college .....	19	
Some postgraduate work, no degree .....	4	
Postgraduate degree .....	11	