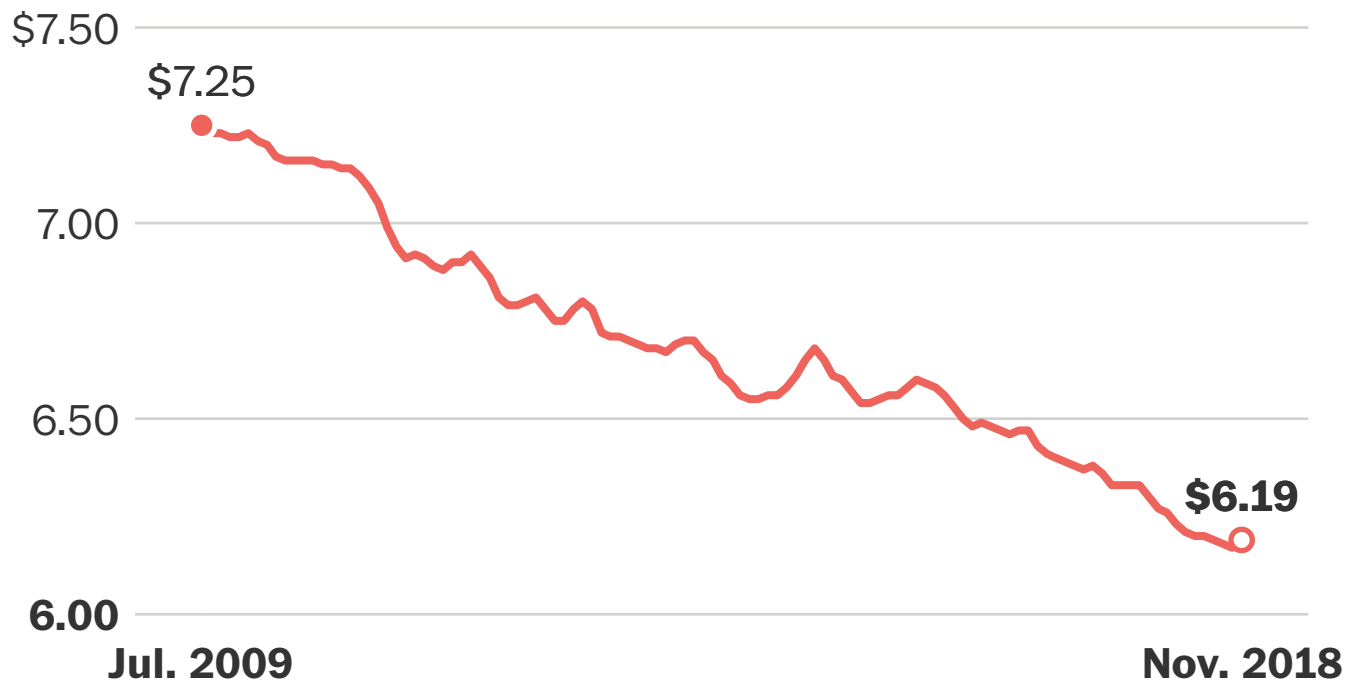


The erosion of the minimum wage

Real value of the federal minimum wage in July 2009 dollars (the date the wage was last increased)



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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