## South Africa's platinum strike

The world's top three platinum producers are taking their latest wage offer directly to employees in a bid to end South Africa's longest and most damaging mining strike



- Mar 4: AMCU refuses to move on wage demand but says it will accept annual increases over three or even four years
- Apr 17: Mining companies *Amplats, Impala* and *Lonmin* offer to raise pay, including bonuses and living allowances, to 12,500 rand/month by July 2017. AMCU sticks to its minimum entry-level basic wage demand

Construction Union (AMCU) strike, demanding immediate doubling of monthly basic wage to 12.500 rand (\$1.200)

Apr 28: Producers start campaign using text messages and mass meetings



Jul 2015:



LONMIN

R9,790

R14,653

Amplats Monthly pay	Impala Platinum		Lonmin	
including bonuses, living	Now:	R9,297	Now:	
allowances and benefits	Jul 2014:	R11,241	Jul 2014:	

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Now:	R8,604	Jul 2015:	R12,358	Jul 2015:	R12,477
Jul 2014:	R10,041	Jul 2016:	R13,574	Jul 2016:	R13,521

R14.868

Companies' revenues lost

R6.75 billion (\$635m)

Jul 2017:

Employees' earnings lost

R15.2 billion (\$1.4bn)

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