

Submission Form

Updated	Restaurant Name	Fee %	Counts as tip?	Corkage fee	Location	Menu	Source	Removable ?	Notes	Comments
8/10	208 Rodeo	18			Beverly Hills		Reddit		18% Surcharge	
8/1	71Above Sky Lounge	18	N		DTLA	Menu		Y	"18% Service Charge added to all checks and paid out to all hourly employees - Any additional tip would be shared by your service team" Removeable by request	
10/12	Above Sixty (Ella Cafe & Sixty Rooftop)	18	Y		Beverly Hills		Receipt		18% Autograt	
8/16	Ace Hotel	3	N		Palm Springs	Menu	Reddit		3% surcharge (cashless operation), 20% autograt for parties 6 or more	
2/8	ADKT	18	N		Melrose		Receipt	N	18% "service charge is not a tip or gratuity, and is an added fee controlled by the restaurant that helps facilitate a higher living base wage for all of our employees"	
8/1	Agnes Restaurant & Eatery	4	N		Pasadena		Receipt		4% Healthy LA	
8/12	Alamo Draffhouse Cinema	3%	N		DTLA	Menu	Receipt	Y	3% Service Charge (optional), 20% autograt added to any unsigned credit card receipt or parties 8 or more	"Every cent goes to paying our back-of-house employees a competitive livable wage."
8/10	The Albright	10%	N		Santa Monica Pier		Receipt		10% Fee, Report: "I wasn't asked to tip on top of the fee."	
8/1	Alder and Sage	20	N		Long Beach	Menu			20% ("Parties of 6 or larger will be assessed a service charge of 20%," yet tips still requested).	
8/1	Alimento	4	N		Silverlake	Menu	Receipt / Reddit	Y	"A 4% charge will be applied to all checks so that we may offer health insurance to full-time team members." \$1.50 "Water Donation" per person	
8/1	All Day Baby	3	N		Silverlake		Receipt		3% "Kitchen Love"	
8/1	All Time	20	Y		Los Feliz		Reddit		Even on takeout	
2/3	All You Can Eat Korean Sushi & BBQ	14			Koreatown		Receipt		14% Service Charge	
8/1	Alta	3	N		West Adams		Reddit		Wellness fee	
8/1	American Beauty	3	N		Venice Beach / West Hollywood		Reddit		"Health and happiness" surcharge to cover employee health insurance	source: former employee, and no, i did not get health insurance
8/1	Amiga Amore	4	N		Highland Park		Reddit			
8/1	Animal	18			Fairfax		Reddit		(temporarily closed) set to reopen Jan 1 2024	
8/16	Antico Nuovo	4	N	\$50	Oakwood	Menu			"4% will be added to your check to support the kitchen of the Antico family. Gratuity is not included."	
2/3	AOC	6	N		West Hollywood / Brentwood	Menu		Y	"A 3% charge is added to all checks to cover the cost of full health care benefits for our full-time employees... if you would like this charge removed, please let us know." Note that they include this surcharge in the calculation of the sales tax.	
8/11	Baar Baar LA	24	Y	\$35	DTLA	Menu	Receipt	Y	4% Service Charge (removable), 20% Service Fee (not removable). Menu states this is for 6 or more but appears to be for all checks, table or bar, brunch and dinner.	
8/1	Bacari	4	N		DTLA / Glendale / PDR / Silverlake / W. Adams	Fine Print				
8/1	Ballasst Point	5	N		Long Beach					
8/10	Bar Amà	18	N				Website		"18% service charge is added to all checks. The service charge allows for a more equitable distribution of pay. It is not considered a tip and is taxed per state law."	
2/3	Bar Chelou	4	N		Pasadena		Receipt		"4% Healthy LA"	
8/10	Bar Hermito	5	N		Sawtelle (West LA)	Menu	Reddit		"5% surcharge will be added to each check to ensure competitive industry compensation, medical benefits for our staff, as well as help aid our commitment to providing health and wellness for our community... this surcharge is not part of our gratuity for services."	
8/1	Bar Lis	5	N		Hollywood					
8/1	Bardonna	10	N		Santa Monica		Reddit			
8/1	Barra Santos	20	Y		Cypress Park	Menu			20% Service charge "support equitable earnings, medical and retirement benefits for staff"	A server noted that this goes to the staff and said that tipping above was not necessary. On the receipt the automatic percentages to add tip if you choose to use 18%, 20%, 25%
8/1	Bavel	4	N		Arts District	Menu		Y	"4% service charge will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive industry compensation, as well as health and medical benefits, for all of our valued full time team members. In support of this initiative, the entirety of the charge is retained by the restaurant." Removeable by request	
8/1	Best Bet Pizzeria	4	N		Mar Vista		Reddit		"Healthy LA"	
8/10	Bestia	4	N	\$50	Arts District		Reddit			A server noted that this actually goes to staff
8/1	Bicycle Bistrot	4	N	\$75		Menu			A 4% service charge will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive industry compensation, as well as health and medical benefits, for all of our valued full time team members. In support of this initiative, the entirety of the charge is retained by the company.	Submitted as a current employee. Our parent company, Sprout LA is unable to provide employees with proof of where this money goes or how it is accounted for. I believe it is the businesses responsibility to pay for benefits, not the guests.
4/21	Bigfoot West	20			Culver City		Receipt		20% Service Charge	
8/1	Birdcage	5	N		Hollywood		Receipt		"Admin fee"	
8/1	Birdie G's	3	N		Santa Monica	Menu			"A 3% charge is added by the restaurant to all checks to help offer fully covered health care to all employees. Please let us know if you have any questions. Thanks for supporting a healthier staff."	
8/1	The Black Cat	4	N		Silver Lake				An optional 4% charge added to pay workers a living wage.	
11/11	Blarhhaus	18	Y		Noho		Website		House Rule #3 "There is an automatic 18% service fee added to all guest checks"	
8/10	Blind Barber	18	Y		Highland Park		Yelp		18% Autograt	
8/1	Blossom Vietnamese Noodle Shop	18			Santa Monica / DTLA / Atwater Village	Menu			"For Dining in ONLY. 18% Service Charge is Added to Your Final Check."	
8/1	Bombay Palace	20			Beverly Hills				20% service fee - before tax.	
8/1	Bone Kettle	20			Pasadena		Reddit		20% Service Charge included in tax calculation	
8/1	Botanica Restaurant	5	N		Silver Lake		Receipt		5% Wellness Charge	
8/1	Bottega Louie	5	N		DTLA / West Hollywood		Reddit			
12/14	BOA	4.50%	N		WeHo		Receipt		WEHO Labor Surcharge (4.50%)	
8/1	Bossa Nova	2.5	N		DTLA / Hawthorne / WeHo		Reddit		"for the kitchen"	
8/1	Breakfast Club	18			Hollywood/Vine		Reddit			
8/1	Breakfast Republic	4	N		Culver City / Echo Park		Reddit	Receipt	"A 4% surcharge will be added to all guest checks to help cover increasing costs and in support of the recent minimum wage & benefits for our dedicated team members."	The recommended tip was based on the purchased items and the surcharge.
8/1	Brick and Flour	6	N		Glendale/North Hollywood/Pasadena		Receipt		Cited "covid" and "supply chain issues"	
8/1	Broken Shaker	22	Y		DTLA		Website		18% service fee + 4% health CA surcharge	
8/13	Bottega Louie	5	N		WeHo	Menu			"5% surcharge... not a service charge, gratuity or paid to employees"	
8/10	Burger Lounge	4	N		Various		Receipt		I just got onion rings to go at Burger Lounge earlier today. I took the receipt. I know for something like this, most people refuse the receipt. They charged me a temporary 4% surcharge. For a side order. To go.	
8/1	The Butcher's Daughter	3	N		Venice Beach / West Hollywood	Menu			"AN OPTIONAL 3% HEALTH AND WELLNESS FEE HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE BILL TO SUPPORT HEALTH INSURANCE FOR OUR STAFF."	
8/1	Cabra	4	N		DTLA	Menu			4% charge for "benefits for our valued team members. The entirety of the surcharge is retained by Boka Restaurant Group, and the surcharge is not intended to be either a gratuity or a charge for services performed."	
8/1	Cafe Landwer	8.5	N		Culver City		Reddit		8.5% Service fee	
8/1	Cafe Sevilla	5	N		Long Beach		Website		"5% surcharge will be added to all guest checks to help cover increasing costs & in support of the recent minimum wage & benefits for our dedicated team members."	
8/13	Caipirinha Bar	20				Menu			"20% service charge will be added to each check to support equitable earnings, medical, and retirement benefits for staff."	
10/25	Cal Mex Cantina	3.99	N		Redondo Beach	Menu			"To help offset increased labor costs due to local, state, and federal ordinances, a 3.99% surcharge is included on all guest checks."	
8/10	Calabra @ Proper Hotel	3	N		Santa Monica	Menu			3% wellness fee, 20% autograt for parties of 6 or more. Reservations cost \$5 per person, otherwise bar seating only without reservation.	
5/8	Camphor	20			Arts District		Receipt		20% Service Charge, 3.4% Credit Card fee, Listed Suggested Gratuity does not account for service fee	There is no warning of the credit card surcharge on the menu, and they don't
8/1	Campsite Brewing Co.	18	Y		Covina		Website	Y	18% Service charge for counter service	
8/10	Capo	20	N	\$75	Santa Monica		Reddit		disclosed on bottom of menu. Service charge is not in lieu of a tip; that's extra.	
8/1	Cara Cara	3	N		DTLA	Menu			"3% Wellness fee"	
2/14	Casa Martin	18			Santa Monica		Receipt		"18 % Service Fee"	
8/1	Cassia	3	N		Santa Monica	Menu			"A 3% charge is added by the restaurant to all checks to help offer fully covered healthcare to our employees. Please let us know if you have questions."	
8/1	Ceviche Project	18	N		Los Feliz		Receipt		Service Charge	
8/1	Charcoal	3	N		Venice		Reddit		3% kitchen staff surcharge	
8/1	Chullita	4	N		Venice	Menu			"In order to support our dedicated kitchen team and to help provide benefits for all eligible team members, a 4% surcharge is added to all in house guest checks. Please note: the surcharge is not for service and not distributed to the service staff"	
8/16	Citrus and Melisse	4	N	\$50	Santa Monica	Menu		Y	"4% Employee Health charge... to cover the cost of full health care benefits for our full time employees"	
8/1	Clark Street Bakery	4	N		Brentwood / Echo Park		Reddit		charges 4% for "Kitchen Love" even if you just get a sandwich to go	
8/10	The Coffee Company	3	N		Westchester		Reddit		3% surcharge when ordering via app	
10/26	Connie and Ted's	20	Y		WeHo		Receipt		20% Autograt	
8/1	Cosa Buona	4	N		Echo Park		Reddit		4% for all checks; 20% autograt for parties of 5 or more	
8/10	Coucou	20	N		Venice	Menu			"In an effort to benefit all Coucou employees, a surcharge of 20% will be added to each bill. This is not a tip or gratuity."	
12/2	Crazy Rock'n Sushi	18	N		Glendale		Receipt		Large Party Service Fee (18%) does not count as tip	
8/10	Crispy Pork Gang	18			Thai Town				18% Service Charge	
8/1	Crossroads Clothing Store	3	N		WeHo	Sign	Reddit	N	"In an effort to preserve our affordable prices and keep up with the rising costs of doing business, a 3% surcharge will be added to your purchase."	

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8/1	Crossroads Kitchen	3	N		WeHo	Menu			"To support living wages for our back-of-the-house staff, a 3% service charge will be added to your check."	
8/13	Crustatean	3	N		Beverly Hills	Menu			"3% fee is automatically added to your bill to support our kitchen staff. (This is not a gratuity)"	
8/1	Damian	4	N		Arts District		Receipt		4% Wellness benefits, Parties of 6 and more will include a 20% service charge on the final bill. This service charge is subject to state tax	
8/16	Dan's Super Subs	\$0.75 - \$1.25	N		Woodland Hills	Menu		N	"Due to high inflation, we will be adding a temporary surcharge to all subs."	
8/1	Dekkadence	18			DTLA		Reddit			
8/1	Desert 5 Spot	5	N		Hollywood					
8/1	DiDi "see comment in final column"	4	N		WeHo		Reddit		"4% entertainment fee will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive compensation, in addition to medical benefits for all full time team members. The entirety of the charge is retained by the company..."	Entertainment fee reportedly removed as of 7/6/24
11/19	Diner Alonette	4	N		Santa Monica	Menu			"A 4% charge is added to all checks that will be distributed entirely to our hardworking kitchen staff."	
8/1	Domestic BBQ	3	N		Covina			Y	3% service charge that can be removed but you have to ask the manager	
11/20	Donna Jean	3	N		Sherman Oaks		Receipt		3% fee for employee health benefits (not shown on menu)	
8/16	Drake's Hollywood	5	N	\$40	Hollywood	Menu (read menu)			"This charge is for the benefit of Drake's employees. In support of this initiative, the entirety of this charge is retained by Drake's."	
8/1	Duck House	15	N		Monterey Park	Menu			"to ensure quality service and cover essential costs, a 15% service fee has been implemented on all Dine-In orders. This fee directly benefits our servers' salaries and operational expenses. Please note, the service fee is not a tip or gratuity"	
8/1	Dunsmoor	4	N		Glassell park		Receipt			
8/16	EI Condor	4			Silver Lake				Equitable Living Charge	
8/1	El Torito	4	N		Hawthorne / Mdr / Santa Monica	Menu (pg 2)			"To help offset increased labor costs due to new local, state, and federal ordinances, a 3.5% surcharge is included on all guest checks."	
1/4	Employees Only	4	N		WeHo		Receipt			No explanation or verbiage. Noticed the 4% surcharge after I had left the bar.
1/4	Entre Nous French Bistro	20	N		Pasadena	Menu			A 20% fee will be added to your bill. This is not a gratuity or tip. We are a no tipping establishment. The fee is revenue that is not segmented or designated in any way; it is taxed per state law and is used to fund all of our operations.\$50 minimum order per person seated at a table.	
8/1	Etta	3.5	N		Culver City		About		"To help cover health insurance, benefits and staff wellness we are adding a 3.5% charge for all transactions paid."	This is actually just pocketed by the owners. Theoretically it could go towards healthcare but most employees are below the hourly minimum to qualify for healthcare
8/1	Fanny's	5	N		Mid-Wilshire		Receipt		"5% Healthy LA service charge to help cover the health insurance for full-time associates"	
8/16	Fat + Flour	15	N		Grand Central Market (DTLA)	Menu			\$2.25 (service fee from online platform vendor Tock) plus additional obligatory 15% "service fee" from bakery for pre-paid pickup orders.	
8/1	Felix Trattoria	3	N	\$75	Venice				Unclear Service Charge - Website Provides No Details	
8/1	Fia	20	Y			Menu			20% Autograt for parties of 6 or more	
8/22	Follow Your Heart	5	N		Canoga Park			Y	5% Healthcare	
8/1	Foothill	3	N		Pasadena		Reddit		20% gratuity for 8 or more. 3% surcharge for kitchen staff	
8/1	Found Oyster	20	Y		East Hollywood	Menu			"20% service charge added to each check, 100% of which is distributed to staff."	
5/4	Fountain LA	15			Koreatown		Receipt		15% Autograt	
10/12	Funke	4	N		Beverly Hills		Reddit		4% Wellness Surcharge	
8/18	Gasolina Cafe	20	N		Woodland Hills	Menu			"20% service charge added to all checks. This allows us to pay living wages to front and back of house." Gratuity still expected.	
8/16	Geoffrey's Malibu	4			Malibu		Receipt		4% Surcharge "to support increased costs (tax included)"	
8/1	Giri & The Goat LA	4	N		DTLA	Menu		Y	"A 4% surcharge will be added to your final bill to assist in covering the costs of benefits for our valued team members. If you would like this removed, please let us know. Thank you for your support!"	
8/11	Gjelina	20	Y	\$40			Website		20% Service Charge, distributed to all hourly employees. No additional tip needed	
8/1	Gjsta	15-20	Y		Venice Beach		Reddit		20% service fee for Dine-in, 15% for take-out	
8/1	Good Clean Fun	20	N		DTLA		Receipt		15% for take out / 20% for dine in	
8/1	Goodboy Bob Coffee (GBB)	N/A			Multiple Locations		Reddit			
8/10	Granada Mexican Restaurant	3.84%	N				Receipt		3.84% Credit & Debit transaction fee	
11/20	Greekman's	18			Echo Park	Menu		Y	"We add an 18% service charge to all bills - this charge is shared exclusively by our whole team to create a more equitable restaurant model. Please let us know if you would like this removed"	
8/16	Green Cottage	18	N		Encino				18% "hospitality fee" Not gratuity	
8/1	Guerrilla Tacos	3	N		DTLA		Article		2019 LAist Article	
8/1	Jemma di Mare	4	N		Brentwood		Reddit			
11/11	H&H Brazilian Steakhouse	4			Beverly Hills / DTLA	Menu			"4% SURCHARGE WILL BE ADDED TO ALL GUEST CHECKS TO DEFRAY THE INCREASED COST OF WAGES AND BENEFITS"	
11/30	Hail Mary Pizza	12	N		Atwater Village		Receipt		Undisclosed 12% fee on checkout page	When ordering pickup, their interface (visible via Toast) include a mandatory 12% gratuity. Can see it in fees/taxes section of Toast before completing check-out. It says in toast it goes towards "servers", when asked, the restaurant says it goes towards entire staff. Don't know how long I've been paying this without realizing it-I haven't saved recent receipts. Found a buried receipt in email from 2022 and they were NOT charging this at this time.
8/1	Hamburger Mary's	5	N		West Hollywood				Counter Service / "No Tipping Establishment"	
8/1	Handroll Bar (HRB)	18	Y		Century City - Westfield	Menu			"All checks include a 20% mandatory service charge. It is our belief that our entire staff is integral to the service experience." This is in lieu of tip.	Staff encouraged not to add additional tip. The bar also includes the 20% service charge for drinks only.
8/1	Hatchet Hall	20	Y		Culver City	Menu				
8/1	Hayat's Kitchen	18			NoHo					
8/1	Highlight Room	3	N		Hollywood					
8/1	HiHo Cheeseburger	6	N		MdR / Beverly Hills / Santa Monica / Studio City		Reddit		Counter Service / "No Tipping Establishment"	
8/16	Hilltop Coffee and Kitchen	5	N		Slauson / DTLA / Inglewood / Eagle Rock	Menu			5% service fee added and ask for a tipfor a coffee	
8/1	Hinoki & The Bird	20	Y		Century City	Menu		N	"As a non-tipping restaurant, we add a 20% fee to all checks. This is not a tip or gratuity, and tips are discouraged."	
8/1	Hippo	4			Highland Park	Fine Print				
8/1	HiroNori Craft Ramen	16.5	Y		Pasadena		Receipt		16.53% service fee (no tipping establishment)	
8/1	Hodori Korean Cuisine	\$1	N		Eagle Rock		Website		\$1 surcharge for To-Go orders	
8/1	Hole Mole	10	N		Long Beach	Menu			"At this time, a 10% Service will apply to all orders."	According to this user, the 10% surcharge only applies to online orders and you can bypass it by ordering from DoorDash for pickup
8/1	Home	4	N		Los Feliz		Website	Y	"A 4% service charge will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive industry compensation, as well as health and medical benefits, for all of our valued full time team members. In support of this initiative, the entirety of the charge is retained by the restaurant. If you would like this charge removed, please let our staff know. Thank you for dining with us and supporting our staff."	
8/1	Hong Kong BBQ	3%	N		Chinatown					
8/1	HopSaint	3%	N		Torrance		Receipt		"Local surcharge"	
8/1	Horses	4	N		West Hollywood	Menu			"4% restaurant fee will be added to all checks."	
8/1	Huckleberry Bakery & Cafe	2	N		Santa Monica	Menu			"2% charge is added by the restaurant to all checks to help offset fully covered health care to all employees. Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you for supporting a healthier staff."	
8/1	Hugo's	3	N		WeHo				3% Surcharge for kitchen and staff	
8/1	Il Fornaio	3	N		Multiple Locations	Menu			"Restaurant Adversity Surcharge - 3% As a result of supply chain difficulties & increasing operational costs the restaurant industry is experiencing (including rising wage, benefit & other government requirements), a 3% surcharge will be added to all checks. Grazie mille for your support during these challenging times!"	
8/10	Inka Wasi	16	N		Rolling Hills, DTLA		Receipt		16% surcharge	
10/21	iRoll Ice Cream	\$1	N		North Hollywood	Menu			\$1 Service Fee is added on each ice cream	
8/10	Jame Enoteca Italian	3	N		El Segundo	Menu		Reddit	"A 20% gratuity is added for parties of 6 or more. A 3% employee benefit fee is added to all checks (kindly let your server know if you would like this removed)."	
8/10	Jewel	3	N		Silver Lake				"3% kitchen surcharge to ensure a more equitable workplace."	
8/1	Jin Cook	5	N		Glendale		Reddit		5% for takeout orders over \$100. Large groups will be charged 18% autograt, then display gives option to tip additional 2-7%	
8/10	Jinky's	3.9	N		Studio City	Menu			3.96% in support of rising minimum wage	
8/1	Jiltada	18	N		Thai town		Receipt		18% service fee added, not a tip	
8/1	Jon & Vinny's	18	N		Brentwood / Fairfax / Slauson		Receipt		18% "Service Fee" that does NOT go to staff	
9/12	Jonah's Kitchen + Bar	4	N		Santa Monica		Receipt	N	"4% surcharge... to offset the increased cost of wages" 22% autograt for parties 6 or more	
8/1	Joy on York	3	N		Highland Park		Receipt		"Health Care" fee. Can an employee confirm if it actually goes to them?	
8/1	Kahuna Tiki Tu	3	N		Valley Village (NoHo)		Reddit	Receipt	3% Surcharge	
8/17	Kali Restaurant	5	N		Hancock Park (Hollywood)	Menu		Receipt	"A 5% kitchen appreciation charge will be applied to your meal."	
3/1	Katana	4.50%	N		WeHo		Receipt		"WEHO Labor Surcharge (4.50%)"	Random items on the menu were also higher on the receipt than the menu.
11/20	Katsu-Moto	18			Glendale	Menu			"18% Service Charge will be added to every check"	
8/1	Karl Strauss	4	N		City Walk					
2/3	Katana	5	N		WeHo		Receipt		"4.5% WeHo Labor Surcharge"	
8/1	Ka'Teen	5	N		Hollywood	Menu		Y	"5% wellness fee is added to all checks in support of health benefits to our staff. The entirety of the fee is retained by the company." Removable by request. 20% autograt for parties 6 or more	

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8/10	Kato	18	Y	\$75	The Row (Produce district)	Menu			Autograt: "An 18% service charge will be added to your bill to provide comprehensive benefits, as well as a consistent livable wage for both our service and culinary teams. Though many of our guests choose to leave gratuity for exemplary service, it is neither necessary nor expected, though it is greatly appreciated. This gratuity will be shared by the service and culinary teams."	
8/1	Katsuya	5	N		Hollywood		Website	Y	"To help defray the rising costs of the restaurant industry, a 5% surcharge will be added to your check. If you would like this surcharge removed, please let us know. Thank you for supporting a healthier and happier restaurant staff." Also 20% autograt for parties 6 or more	
8/1	KazuNori	16	Y		Multiple Locations	Menu			No Tipping Establishment - Surcharge Also Applicable to Deliveries	
11/11	Kinjaro	18	Y		DTLA	Menu		N	"An 18% service charge is added to your check, in lieu of gratuity	
8/1	Kismet	4	N		Los Feliz	Menu			"A 4% charge is added to every check and retained by the restaurant to help us provide health benefits to our team."	
8/1	Kombu Sushi	4	N		Silverlake					
8/16	L&E Oyster Bar	4	N		Silver Lake			Y		
8/1	La Cha Cha Chà	4	N		DTLA		Reddit			
8/16	La Dolce Vida	2	N		Beverly Hills		Receipt		"2% Kitchen Appreciation Fee... will directly benefit solely the kitchen team"	
8/16	LoBoehme	3	N					Y	3% optional surcharge	
8/1	Lamil Coffee	18			Silverlake		Reddit			
11/7	Lasta	3.5, 10	N		Chinatown	Menu			A 3.5% service charge will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive industry compensation as well supplementing health and wellness benefits for our staff. This should not be considered gratuity for staff. If you would like this charge removed or have any questions, please let us know. Thank you for dining with us. A 10% take-out service fee is added to all to-go and online orders which goes directly to the kitchen team.	
8/1	Le Cellar	see comment			Pasadena				Charges for bottled water (\$8) after requesting tap, calculates tip on post-tax total	
8/1	Le Petit Paris	4	N		DTLA	Menu			"Surcharge of 4% added to all checks to help cover increased costs and minimum wage increases for our dedicated staff."	
8/1	Lillie's @ The Culver Hotel	4	N		Culver City		Receipt		4% "Wellness" surcharge, tip based on post-tax amount	
8/1	Little Don's	4	N		Los Feliz		Website	Y	"A 4% charge is added to all checks to provide health insurance and raise the standards for non-tipped employees. Thank you for supporting our team. If you would like this charge removed, simply let your server know."	
8/1	Little Sister	3	N		DTLA		Article		2019 LAist Article	
11/19	Lodge Bread	3.5	N				Receipt		"A 3.5% Healthy LA charge is added to each check to ensure health and medical benefits for all of our full-time team"	Online ordering calls it a "service fee". Receipt explains it after the fact.
11/20	Lolo Wine Bar	20	Y		Little Armenia (East Hollywood)				20% is for tip only. Nothing else is required to add to the receipt.	
8/1	Loreto	4	N		Froglown (Atwater Village)		Reddit			
2/20	Los Amigos	3			Burbank				3% Credit Card fee	
8/13	Loulou	4	N		Santa Monica		Receipt		4% Service Fee	
8/10	Loupiotte Kitchen	18-20	Y		Los Feliz	Menu			This is an auto tip. The machine prepopulates additional 2%, 5%, and 7%	
8/1	Luques	3.5	N		West Hollywood		Statement		3.5% Surcharge is removable upon request per statement from The Luques Group (see link)	
11/7	Lucky Strike	18			LA Live DTLA		Receipt		18% Service Charge	
8/10	Lulu	18	N		Westwood	Menu			"18% service charge... goes to all hourly staff in the form of higher compensation" (not a tip)	
8/1	LuvZeat Thai Bistro	18			Hollywood		Reddit			
8/1	Maggianos Banquet Dept	18	Y						They say it goes to paying the staff, that are paid hourly, and they discourage guests from tipping. The manager's rationale, tipping on top of the service fee wont be a good value for the customer.	
8/1	Mama Shelter Rooftop Bar	21	N		Hollywood	Menu	Receipt		18% Service Charge + 3% Health Charge "A 3% charge will be added to your check to help provide healthcare benefits For our employees..."	
8/10	Manzke	4	N	\$75	Beverly Hills				Submitted as a current employee. Our parent company, Sprout LA is unable to provide employees with proof of where this money goes or how it is accounted for. I believe it is the businesses responsibility to pay for benefits, not the guests.	
9/20	Marina	3			Pasadena	Menu			"A 3% service charge will be added to your check to support competitive kitchen wages and health care. This is not a gratuity	
2/23	Market Venice	3			Venice		Receipt		"3% Kitchen Appreciation" fee	
8/16	Marvin French Bistro	20			Beverly Grove	Menu			20% Service Charge... used to help pay front of house, kitchen & managers. Extra gratuity goes to the servers"	
8/1	Manuela	4	N		DTLA	Menu		Y	"A 4% service charge will be added to each guest check to help ensure all our staff are given a competitive, living wage as well as continued health benefits. If you would like this charge to be removed or have any questions regarding the charge, please inform our staff or a manager."	
8/1	Margot	18			Culver City	Menu	Reddit			
8/1	Majordomo	3	N		Dogtown (Elysian Park)		Receipt		BOH Service Charge	
8/16	Marco's Trattoria	4			WeHo				surcharge for dine-in only	
8/1	Marina	3	N		Pasadena		Reddit	Y	"to support competitive kitchen wages & healthcare," but they will remove the charge upon request	
8/1	Marvin Wine Bar	20	N		Beverly Grove	Menu			"* A 20% SERVICE CHARGE IS ADDED TO ALL CHECKS. THIS IS USED TO HELP PAY FRONT OF HOUSE, KITCHEN & MANAGERS. EXTRA GRATUITY GOES TO THE SERVERS. *	
8/1	Max Karaoke Studio	20	Y		Little Tokyo		Reddit		"...charged us a 20% gratuity, and this is not in writing anywhere."	
8/1	Melody Wine Bar	4	N		Virgil Village		Receipt		Employee Benefit	
8/1	Melrose Umbrella Co	20	Y		WeHo				20% Autograt (parties 6 or more)	
11/11	Members	22	Y		WeHo	Menu			"In compliance with SB1524, our restaurant will automatically add a 22% service charge to your bill. This charge is distributed with 12% going to our dedicated staff and 10% to Venue Operations, ensuring the best possible dining experience for our guests. Tips are not expected and are completely at your discretion"	
8/1	Met Her At A Bar	3			Mid-Wilshire					
8/1	Met Him at a Bar	3	N		La Brea		Receipt		3% Healthcare Love + 18% Brunch Autograt	
9/12	New York Bagel Co	18			Brentwood					
2/15	Mian Taste	4	N		West Adams		Receipt		Health LA 4%	
8/1	The Misfit	4	N		Santa Monica		Receipt		"A 4% charge is added to all checks that will be distributed entirely to our hardworking kitchen staff."	4% does go to the employees, but the owner pays the employees 4% less now.
8/1	Milo & Olive	3	N		Santa Monica		Fine Print			
8/10	Mirabelle Wine Bar	3	N				Menu	Y	"To provide a competitive living wage, All checks will be charged 3% service fee if you would like this fee removed, please ask your server "	
8/1	Mirate	4	N		Los Feliz					
11/11	Momed	4	N		Atwater Village	Menu	Receipt		"4% service charge will be added to your check in support of living wages for back-of-house staff"... "2.5% Credit Card Fee"	
8/1	MoMo Paradise	18			Arcadia / Rowland Heights / Torrance		Receipt		Service Charge	
8/1	The Morrison	2.9	N		Atwater Village / Burbank		Fine Print			
8/1	Mother Wolf	5	N	\$75	Hollywood	Menu			"5% wellness fee is added to all checks in support of health benefits for our staff, but it is not a fee for service. If you would like this fee removed, please let us know. A 20% service charge will be added to parties of six or more."	
9/20	Moun of Tunis	20			Hollywood				20% automatic gratuity and credit card surcharge	
8/17	MyVegan Gold	18	N		Silver Lake				18% Counter Service: we need to pay upfront in the cashier and they don't show the itemized receipt in the monitor, so no idea about the service charge.	
8/16	n10 Restaurant	20			Beverly Grove	Menu	Receipt		"20% service charge will be added to the bill"	
8/10	Nossa Caipirinha Bar	20			Los Feliz				20% "supports equitable wages, health care, and retirement benefits"	
8/1	Norah	5	N		WeHo				5% "Administration fee" whatever that is	
8/1	Norms	3	N		Multiple Locations				"A 3% menu surcharge will be added to all guest checks to help cover the increasing cost of doing business in California while maintaining portion sizes and everyday affordable specials."	
8/11	Oceanview Cafe	4	N		Manhattan Beach		Receipt		4% + \$1.25 fee when paying by credit card. Pay cash to receive 4% discount	
8/1	Olivetta	20	Y		WeHo				Auto gratuity in the fine print, but you are not told by waiter	
8/1	Openaire	4	N		Koreatown	Menu		Y	4% CHARGE IS ADDED TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR OUR EMPLOYEES. THIS CHARGE MAY BE REMOVED UPON REQUEST.	Employees magically disappear once you ask them to remove the charge. The service is atrocious anyways.
8/1	Ospi	4	N		Venice		Receipt		4% Employee Benefit Support	
8/10	Otoho	3	N		Highland Park					
8/1	Otoho	18	N		Angeleno Heights (Echo Park)		Website		"an 18% fair wage and operational fee will be added to all dine-in bills; this is not a gratuity or tip..."	
8/1	Orsa & Winston	20			DTLA		Reddit		"fair wages"	
8/1	Osteria La Buca	5	N		Hollywood / Sherman Oaks		Receipt / Reddit		5% Service Fee (Staff Health)	
8/1	Otlum	5	N		DTLA	Menu	Reddit	Y	"5% surcharge will be added to all guest checks to defray the rising cost of operating in Los Angeles. Kindly let your server know if you would like this removed."	
8/1	Pabitos Tacos	10%	N		Burbank		Reddit		10% service fee for any order (takeout and inside) and on top of that the prices listed are cash prices which trigger another 3% fee if you pay by card	
8/1	Paradise Cove Beach Cafe	5%	N		Malibu	Menu		Y	5% Sustainability Fee	

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8/1	Pajoli	15	N		Santa Monica	Menu			"We add a 15% service charge to your bill that is fully distributed to our hourly employees to equalize wages between our front- and back-of-house teams."	
8/1	Perch	4.5	N		DTLA	Receipt	Reddit		4.5% safety and security fee. (Extra note: they charged us a 30% fee in 2021)	Does not go to staff
9/20	Perle	4	N		Pasadena	Menu		Y	"4% service charge will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive industry compensation for all of our valued team members, as well as health and medical benefits for all of our salaried team members. In support of this initiative, the entirety of the charge is retained by the company."	
8/21	Per L'ora	4	N	\$40	DTLA		Receipt	Y	"4% service charge has been added to your bill to defray the increased costs of wages and benefits" * Submitted receipt is revised after service fee removed at patron's request	Management calls surcharge "resort fee." None goes to employees
8/1	Petit Trois	4	N		Hollywood / Sherman Oaks	Website	Indeed		As of Aug 2, changed fee from 18% to 4%.	Other Comments via Reddit
8/1	Petty Cash	5%	N		Fairfax	Menu		Y	"A 5% service charge will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive industry compensation, as well as health and medical benefits, for all of our valued full time team members. In support of this initiative, the entirety of the charge is retained by the company. If you would like this charge removed, please let our staff know."	Asked server and he said that it does go to employees but very few are fulltime. Also said he would never work somewhere that was "staidy"
8/1	Pez Cantina	5	N		DTLA		Receipt / Reddit		5% Kitchen Charge	
8/17	Picallini	3	N		Culver City	Menu	Receipt		3% Kitchen Love "...for the back of house to help combat competitive living wages" 20% autograt for parties 6 or more	
8/1	Pija Palace	19			Silverlake	Menu			"A service charge of 19% is added to your final check"	Very rude owner, tells people to GTFO if you refuse to pay flat service fee
8/1	Pine & Crane	3	N		Silverlake / DTLA	Menu			"We add a 3% surcharge to subsidize healthcare for our employees. If you would like it removed, please simply let a team member know. Your support is greatly appreciated."	
8/10	Pilifre Pizza	3	N		Various	Menu	Receipt	Y	"...3% Happy + Healthy Surcharge to your bill to support sustainable earnings and benefits for our team. This charge is optional so please let us know if you'd like it removed from your bill."	
10/4	Pizza Coast Highway	3	N		Redondo Beach		Receipt		3% Local Surcharge	
8/1	Pizza Hut	?	N		Chain		Screen Capture		"The service fee partially offsets the increased cost of operations in the state of California"	
8/1	Pomodoro	3	N		Westwood			N	New 3% surcharge has been added to checks without warning if paying with credit cards. This is to offset transaction fees.	
8/1	Prince Street Pizza	4	N		DTLA		Receipt		4% Service Charge	
8/1	Pura Vita	3	N		WeHo / Redondo Beach	Menu				
8/1	Queen Street	20	N		Eagle Rock	Website			20% Service Charge "We firmly believe that the future of restaurants will reflect the international model, where staff is not reliant on gratuities from guests, and earnings are more stable. The service charge model is the first step in this process, and we hope to lead the way as progressive operators."	
8/1	Queen Violet	16	Y		WeHo		Reddit		16% Autograt	From management: "It's an automatic tip to employees NOT restaurant, we just wanted to guarantee tip to all workers including kitchen."
3/3	Rasarumah	4	N		Rampart Village	Menu			"We include a 4% surcharge on all checks, which is retained by the restaurant and is not a service charge, tip, or gratuity."	
8/1	Redbird	5	N		Arts District	Menu			5% staff healthcare charge plus 20% autograt for parties of 6 or more	
8/10	Redbird (Events)	20	N						"Guests are charged for event labor, (that includes the servers' flat fee), and then get an additional 20-25% "Service fee", which is kept by the restaurant and does not go to staff."	Service fee not explained on the receipt. Management says they verbally tell guests when signing the initial contract that service fees do not cover tips.
8/1	Red House KBBQ	18	Y		Cerritos		Yelp		"...when they bring you bill as it has a space for tip and if you didn't know they already include the tip..."	
8/1	République	4	N	\$75	La Brea	Menu			"Republic charges the 4% healthy LA fee instead of raising prices because the rent of their building is based on sales. What I can say is most employees are full time and when I worked their did take part in the health plan. However, they switched to Aetna from Kaiser and it sucked."	
8/1	Ronan	4	N		Melrose		Reddit			
8/1	Rosaline	20	N		West Hollywood	Menu			"As a non-tipping restaurant, Rosaline adds a 20% administrative fee to all checks. This is not a service charge or gratuity and supports higher wages and benefits for our hourly team. If you have questions about this fee, please ask for a manager."	
8/1	The Rose	5	N		Venice Beach	Menu		Y	"A 5% charge will be added to your check to help cover the cost of health care benefits that we offer our full time employees. Thank you for supporting our staff. If you would like this charge removed, please let your server know and the charge will be removed."	
8/1	Rossoblu	4	N		DTLA	Menu	Receipt		"In order to support our dedicated kitchen team, and to help provide benefits for all eligible team members, a 4% surcharge is added to all guest checks. Please note that this surcharge is not distributed to the service staff."	
8/1	Ruby Fruit	4	N		Silverlake	Menu			"4% Security Fee is added to every check to ensure the safety of our guests and staff."	
8/10	Rustic Canyon	4	N	\$40	Santa Monica	Menu			"A 4% charge is added by the restaurant to all checks to help offer fully covered healthcare to our employees. Please let us know if you have questions. Thanks for supporting a healthier staff!"	
8/1	Saffy's	4%	N		East Hollywood	Menu			"A 4% service charge will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive industry compensation, as well as health and medical benefits, for all of our valued full time team members. In support of this initiative, the entirety of the charge is retained by the restaurant."	
8/1	Saltie Girl	18	N		Echo Park	Menu			"An 18% service charge will be added to all checks. this goes to cover wages for all staff and full medical benefits to all full-time employees. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us." (NOT A TIP)	
8/1	Saltie Girl	4	N		West Hollywood		Reddit			
8/1	Salsa & Beer	3.95%	N		NoHo / Lake Balboa		Google, Receipt		"Customer Assistance" fee	
8/1	San Pedro Fish Market	3.50%	N		Long Beach		Reddit		for "employee benefits" however svc charge can be removed upon request	
8/10	Santa Monica Brew Works	18%	Y		Santa Monica		Yelp		18% Service Fee (all tabs)	
8/16	Sari Sari Store	4	N		Grand Central Market (DTLA)		Receipt		4% Healthy LA	
8/11	The Sherman	4.5	N		Sherman Oaks		Reddit		"...to help cover the cost of health benefits and wages for our staff." 20% autograt for parties 6 or more (receipt will still recommend full 20-25% add'l tip)	
10/21	The Six	3	N		Studio City		Receipt		"3% surcharge has been added to your check"	
8/1	SHIN	4	N		Hollywood				4% Health Insurance for employees	
8/20	SOL Mexican Cocina	3.99	N		Playa Vista	Menu			"To help offset increased labor costs due to new local, state, and federal ordinances, a 3.99% surcharge is included on all guest checks."	
8/1	Son of a Gun	18	N		Beverly Grove		Reddit			
8/1	Soulmate	5%	N		WeHo		Receipt		"A 5% surcharge will be added to ensure competitive industry compensation..." + 20% Service Charge (parties 6 or more)	
8/1	Speranza	18%	N		Silver Lake		Reddit		Other customers have gotten 20% surcharge and staff was very vague in what it was for just that it was not tip.	
9/20	Stella Barra	3	N		Santa Monica	Menu			"As a way to offset rising costs associated with the restaurant (food, beverage, supplies), we have added a 3% surcharge to all checks. We do this in lieu of increased menu prices. This charge is not a gratuity paid to staff and is not a surcharge for services rendered."	
8/1	Stout Burgers & Beers	3.5	N		Multiple Locations	Menu		Y	"Healthy LA - A 3.5% charge is added to every check to assist in providing healthcare benefits to our employees. Thank you for supporting a healthier and happier workplace. If you would like the charge removed, please let us know."	
9/20	Studio Cafe	3.95	N		Studio City			Y	"3.95% surcharge added to help with rising minimum wage"	
8/1	Sugarfish	16	N		Multiple Locations	Menu			"A 16% fee will be added to your bill. This is not a gratuity or tip. We are a no-tipping establishment. The fee is revenue that is not segmented or designated in any way; it is taxed per state law and is used to fund all of our operations." \$9.20 "standard sugarfish fee" when ordering Postmates	
8/1	The Sun Rose	18	Y		WeHo		Reddit			
6/25	Superba Food & Bread	3	N		Venice		Receipt	Y	3% Happy + Healthy Surcharge	Claims to help provide health insurance to employees yet most over level employees are kept from reaching full time hours so the company doesn't have to provide benefits. Mostly only management and corporate have health insurance. There's no verification that this even for health insurance. You can ask employees to remove charge, it doesn't affect them negatively.
9/20	Sushi Planet	7	N		Woodland Hills		Receipt		7% Service Charge	
8/1	SusieCakes	3	N		La Brea		Receipt		3% "Healthy Team" surcharge	
8/10	Sweetee Thai	10	N		Artesia				10% Service charge on takeout orders	
8/1	Sycamore Kitchen	10	N		Fairfax					
8/1	Tacos Tu Madre	5	N		Westwood / WeHo / Larchmont / Los Feliz	Menu			5% surcharge for healthcare + benefits for full time staff	
8/1	Tallula's	4	N		Santa Monica	Menu			"A 4% charge is added by the restaurant to all checks to help offer fully covered health care to all employees. Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you for supporting a healthier staff!"	

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8/1	Tartine Bakery	4	N		Multiple Locations	Menu			"A 4% surcharge will be added to all food and beverage sales in support of employee benefits."	
8/1	Tartine Bianco	5	N		DTLA					
8/17	Taverna at The Mar Vista	4%	N		Mar Vista	Menu		N	4% Credit Card Fee	
8/16	Teleferic Barcelona	18%	Y		Brentwood		Receipt		18% Service Charge Included gratuity. Can add extra when signing.	
8/16	Terroni Italian Cuisine	4%	N		Fairfax district		Receipt		"A 4% service charge will be added to ensure competitive industry compensation for our valued kitchen staff"	
8/1	The Terrace @ Marbourne Hotel	20%	N		Beverly Hills	Menu	Receipt		"For your convenience, a 20% service charge will be added" during Breakfast, Brunch, and large Lunch & Dinner parties	
8/1	Tenno Sushi	10%	N		Little Tokyo		Receipt		"Take-Out" fee. you dont realize theyre charging you this until you check your e-receipt. This is in addition to tipping.	
8/1	The Terrace at Marybourne	20			Beverly Hills		Receipt		20% service charge	
8/10	Thai Original BBQ	15	Y		Wilshire Center		Receipt		Tax charged post-tip (15% Autograt)	
3/3	Thai Patio	15	N		Hollywood		Receipt		15% Service Charge + 3% Credit/Debit Convenience Fee	
11/7	Tipsy Cow	3	N		Sherman Oaks	Menu			3% service charge fee "retained by restaurant"	
5/29	Tom's	4	N		Pasadena		Receipt		4% Service Fee	
8/10	Taubaki	18	N		Silverlake	Menu	Reddit		"an 18% service charge will be added to all checks. this goes to cover wages for all staff and full medical benefits to full-time employees"... "this is not a gratuity or tip..."	
8/16	Tu Madré	5	N		Santa Monica / Los Feliz		Receipt		5% Service Charge	
8/1	Seaphire, Cellar. Craft. Cook	20	N		Laguna Beach		Receipt		Undisclosed Service Fee	
8/16	Santauni	4	N		Toluca Lake		Receipt / Reddit	Y	"4% Service Charge to assist in providing health care coverage and livable wage..."	
8/10	Socalo	2	N		Santa Monica	Menu			"A 2% fee is added by the restaurant to all guest checks. This is not a gratuity or tip, and is not for services provided by employees or otherwise payable to the employees."	
8/1	Un Solo Sol		Y		Boyle Heights	Menu				
8/10	Urban Plates	3%	N				Website		Order, then go to check out and it will show the 3%. Not a tip.	
8/1	Uovo	16%	Y		MdR, Santa Monica, Wilshire	Menu			"No tipping" establishment	
8/1	Vino Wine & Tapas Room	3.8% for CC	N		Encino	Menu		N	"Prices reflect cash pricing. A 3.8% fee is charged for all credit card transactions. 20% gratuity is charged for parties of 5 or more and checks over \$200"	
8/13	Vitello's	3.50%	N		NoHo	Menu			3.5% Kitchen appreciation fee (removable by request)	
8/25	Viviane	4.00	N		Beverly Hills Avalon Hotel		Receipt		"Avalon Hotel... adds a 4% wellness charge to assist in providing healthcare benefits for our colleagues"	
8/1	The Waffle	5.00	N		Hollywood		Receipt			
8/1	The Warehouse Restaurant	15			Marina del Rey	Menu				
12/12	Wexler's Deli	\$1	N		Santa Monica		Receipt	N	\$1 Online Ordering Fee, \$1.20 Pickup fee, taxes calculated post-fee total	
10/4	Win-dow	3%	N		Venice	Menu			3% Happy & Healthy Surcharge	
12/2	Wolfglen	3.00	N		Westwood Village	Menu		N	"3% surcharge. This is not a service charge or gratuity and will not be paid to your server." "20% gratuity will be added to parties of 6 or greater"	
7/31	The Woodman	3.00	N		Sherman Oaks		Receipt		3% surcharge with a 20% automatic gratuity added on top of surcharge subtotal	- ALL HIDDEN AND UNITEMIZED ON INITIAL RECEIPT
8/1	Wong's Wok				Silverlake		Reddit			Word is, owners keep Credit Card tips
8/1	Wood Pizza	3%	N		Silver Lake	Menu			Including pick-up orders	
8/1	Xuntos	20	Y		Santa Monica	Menu (op. B)	Reddit	N	20% service charge per them "non-negotiable."	
8/13	Yang's Kitchen	1	N		Alhambra	Menu			"1% ZFP Restore the Planet fee is added to your bill to help restore the planet and combat climate change. You can opt out of this fee if you'd like"	
11/11	Yangban	4	N		Compton	Menu		Y	"A 4% service charge will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive industry compensation, as well as health and medical benefits, for all of our valued full time team members. In support of this initiative, the entirety of the charge is retained by the company. If you would like this charge removed, please let our staff know"	
8/10	Zuzu's Pretzels	5	N		Long Beach	Menu			"A 5% service charge will be added to each guest check to ensure competitive industry compensation for all of our valued full time team members. In support of this initiative, the entirety of the charge is retained by the company."	

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