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Category Self Employment Income – Does the department count all of my self-

employment income to determine if I am eligible for benefits?

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Summary

See below for edited text:

NOTE:

People in the same Assistance Unit who share household costs are not roomers. We **do not** count these shared household costs as roomer income.

EXAMPLE:

Louise is renting her two bedroom townhome for \$500 per month. She charges Jolene \$650 to sublet her second floor. Louise **tells you her actual expenses are \$250 based on a** prorated portion of her rent (\$500 / 2 bedrooms). Louise has \$400 in net self-employment income, **but with the automatic 50% deduction, her net self-employment income will be counted as \$325**. Her shelter deduction would be the utility allowance she is eligible for under **WAC 388-450-0195** and \$250 rent (the portion of her housing costs that wasn't taken as a business expense.) Enter \$650 as roomer income and enter the rent and number of bedrooms in Louise's home for ACES to calculate her expenses correctly.