

A CA Special Consideration of Income

The income of participants is counted in full whether their needs are included or not.

Participants who are disqualified, or otherwise ineligible for a cash benefit, have their gross income counted in full toward the needs of the budgetary unit.

A participant who meets one of the following criteria is considered disqualified and is coded DI in the PT field on SEPA:

- Noncompliant with the [SSN Enumeration Requirement](#)
- [Nonqualified Noncitizen](#)
- [CA Fleeing Felon](#)
- [Felony Drug Conviction](#) on or after 08/23/96
- [Voluntary Job Quit](#) - reduction in work effort

A participant who meets one of the following criteria is considered disqualified and is coded DF in the PT field on SEPA:

- [Intentional Program Violation](#)
- Convicted of making fraudulent statements to receive benefits in multiple states

A participant who meets one of the following criteria is considered ineligible, their needs are not included in the budgetary unit but their income is counted in full:

- [Unwed Minor Parent](#) policy (coded UM in the PT field on SEPA).
- Nonqualified noncitizen (coded DI in the PT field on SEPA).

The following participants do not have their needs included in the budgetary unit but their income is countable in FULL:

- A spouse of a nonparent [specified relative](#) (NPSR) when the specified relative is included in the budgetary unit.

Key the income of the spouse next to the NPSR as OA on UNIN. Since the spouse is not included in the CA case, OA allows the spouse's income to count to the CA budgetary unit. (See Example [Special Consideration](#))

- The sponsor (and the sponsor's spouse) when living with the sponsored [Qualified Noncitizen](#). (See [Sponsor Income Budgeting](#))

The following are not included in the budgetary unit; however, their income is [deemed](#) to meet the needs of the CA budgetary unit:

- Parents of [married minor parents](#) (key DP in the PT field on SEPA).
- NPSRs and legal guardians of unwed minor parents (key DP in the PT field on SEPA).

NOTE The income is deemed only to determine need and is not counted when determining the benefit amount.

- [Stepparents](#) to their spouse and stepchildren when living together and the stepparent is not included in the budgetary unit (key ST in the PT field on SEPA).

EXCEPTION

Income of the following CA participants is NOT COUNTABLE:

- Specified relatives who are not included in the budgetary unit or who are not required to have their income counted.
- Ineligible noncitizen siblings of a dependent child who are included in the budgetary unit.
- A child who is not included in the budgetary unit due to receipt of [foster care payments](#), [lack of deprivation](#), [benefit capped children](#), etc.
- A child who meets the [dependent child earnings](#) criteria.