

A Projecting Income - Overview

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Projecting income is predicting the current and future income based on the past or known information.

The participant's income received from the last 30 days or longer must be requested, verified, and reviewed to determine the income to be budgeted during the approval period.

Budget all income received during the following time periods when it is normal and expected to continue:

- The past 30 days.
- More or less than the past 30 days. (See Example, [Budgeting Less Than 30 Days](#)).

Do NOT use the past income as an indicator of projected income when one or more of the following occurred or can be anticipated during the approval period:

- An increase or decrease in the number of hours worked.
- An increase or decrease in the rate of pay.
- There is a check that does not represent the participant's ongoing income. Include the income only when received in the application month and remove it for ongoing months.
- The income was terminated. Include the income only when received in the application month and remove it for ongoing months.

Verify the changes or additional pay such as overtime or bonuses, when applicable, to anticipate the income for the certification period.

Documentation must support the income budgeted.

Policy and procedures for projecting income are outlined as follows:

- A [full month's income](#) has been received.
- There is a [zero pay period](#) (\$0).