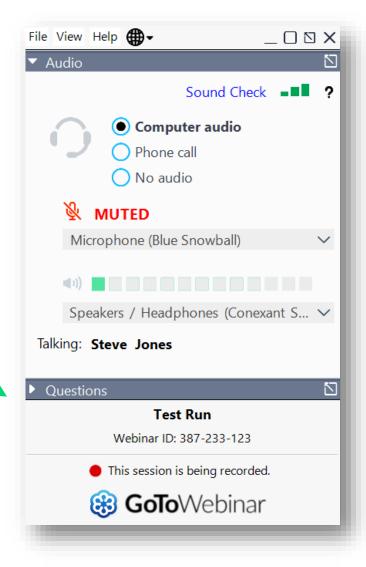
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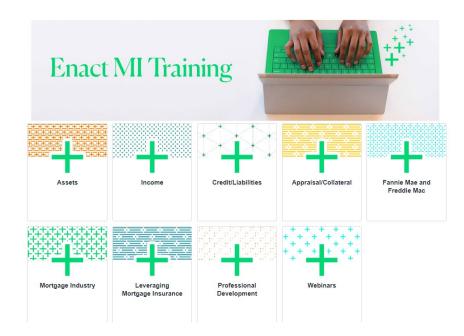
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Recommended Prerequisites

- Understanding Desktop Underwriter- The Basics
- Understanding Loan Product Advisor- The Basics
- Calculating Income The Basics, Base Income





Objective

Understand the Different Types of Income and How to Document Them

- Commission
- Bonus and Overtime
- Tip Income
- Temporary Leave
- Secondary Income
- Seasonal & Unemployment
- Auto Allowance



Ability-to-Repay (ATR) Rule

Key concepts of the rule:

- The creditor must make a reasonable and good faith determination that the consumer has the ability to repay the loan.
 - Mortgage borrowers must provide ample financial documentation; lenders must verify the documents.
 - In order to be approved for a particular home loan, the borrower must have sufficient income and assets to repay the loan in accordance with ATR rule.



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Verifying Employment History

Two year history is required on the 1003 for all applicants

- Spell out the full, complete business name and address.
- Correctly identify type of employment:
 - Does the borrower receive a W2 or 1099?
 - If the borrower owns 25% or more of the business, they are self-employed.
 - Note- A borrower may be self-employed and get a W2 from that business.
- Years on job and employed in line of work will be compared to job title and credit report.
- Title/Type of Business should convey enough information to:
 - Convey what duties the borrower performs.

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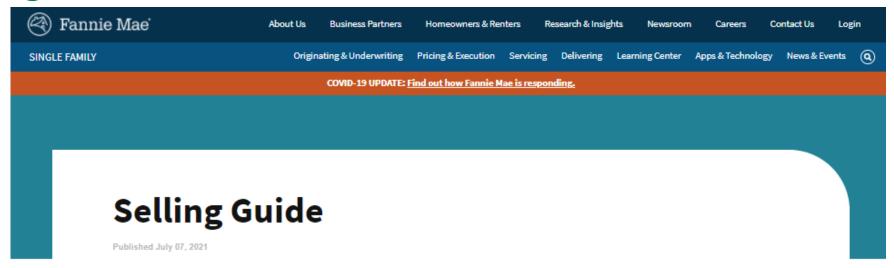
Is the Borrower Self Employed?



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B3-3.1-02, Standards for Employment Documentation (12/16/2020)

Introduction

This topic contains information on the standards for documentation of employment income, including:

General Documentation Requirements

Employment Documentation Provided by the Borrower

Employment Documentation Provided by the Borrower's Employer

Employment Documentation Provided by a Third-Party Employment Verification Vendor



Fannie Mae - Variable Income

Variable Income

All income that is calculated by an averaging method must be reviewed to assess the borrower's history of receipt, the frequency of payment, and the trending of the amount of income being received. Examples of income of this type include income from hourly workers with fluctuating hours, or income that includes commissions, bonuses, or overtime.

History of Receipt: Two or more years of receipt of a particular type of variable income is recommended; however, variable income that has been received for 12 to 24 months may be considered as acceptable income, as long as the borrower's loan application demonstrates that there are positive factors that reasonably offset the shorter income history.



Fannie Mae - Income Trending

Income Trending: After the monthly year-to-date income amount is calculated, it must be compared to prior years' earnings using the borrower's W-2's or signed federal income tax returns (or a standard Verification of Employment completed by the employer or third-party employment verification vendor).

- If the trend in the amount of income is stable or increasing, the income amount should be averaged.
- If the trend was declining, but has since stabilized and there is no reason to believe that the borrower will not continue to be employed at the current level, the current, lower amount of variable income must be used.
- If the trend is declining, the income may not be stable. Additional analysis must be conducted
 to determine if any variable income should be used, but in no instance may it be averaged
 over the period when the declination occurred.



Fannie Mae Release Notes DU Version 11.0



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Desktop Underwriter/Desktop Originator Release Notes DU Version 11.0

Feb. 10, 2021

During the weekend of March 13, 2021, Fannie Mae will implement Desktop Underwriter® (DU®) Version 11.0, which will include

The changes in this release will apply to new loan casefiles submitted to DU on or after the weekend of March 13, 2021. Loan casefiles created in DU Version 10.3 and resubmitted after the weekend of March 13 will continue to be underwritten through DU

The changes in this release include the following:

- DU Risk Assessment Update
- Updates to Align with the Selling Guide
- Retirement of DU Version 10.2

Self-Employment/ Variable Income

DU will no longer view self-employment as representing increased risk but will now evaluate the composition of borrower income.

DU will view borrowers whose total annual income is made up of a higher percentage of variable income (i.e., bonus, overtime, commission, and miscellaneous) as representing increased risk.

ent risk management, we regularly review and adjust the DU risk assessment nce data. DU Version 11.0 will include an updated risk assessment that will finemeownership sustainability. This update will continue to help lenders

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orm a comprehensive risk assessment. The risk factors specified below will be

her risk factors listed in Selling Guide section <u>B3-2-03</u>, <u>Risk Factors Evaluated by DU</u>.

DU will continue to view loan casefiles as having lower associated risk when the borrower's debt-to-income ratio (DTI ratio) is low. DU will also evaluate the composition of the borrower's debt, specifically looking at how revolving debts and student loan debts make up the borrower's total monthly expenses.

Borrowers whose revolving debt makes up a smaller percentage of their monthly expense will represent less risk, and borrowers with student loan debt will represent less risk than those with only revolving debt.

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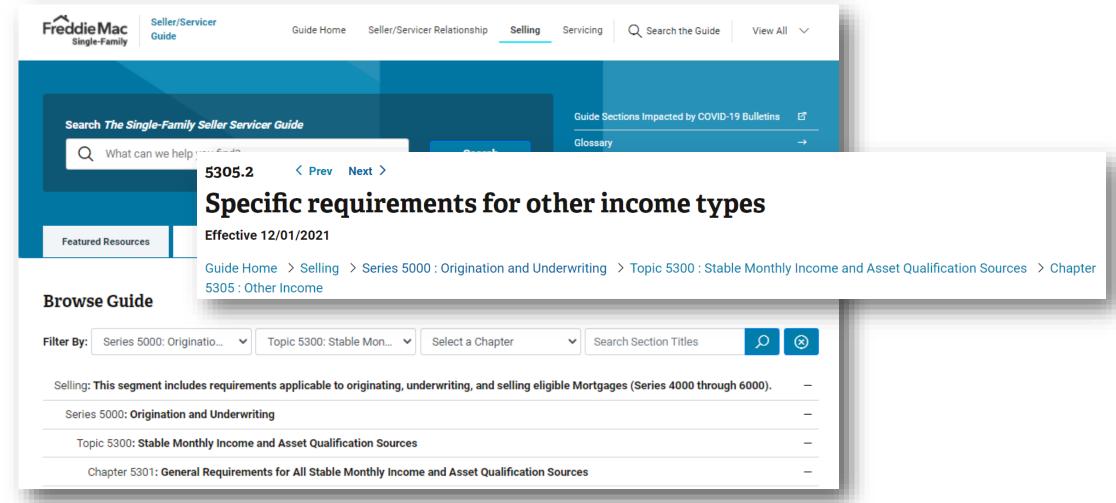


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Income Continuance Requirements

Income continuance charts were added to Topic 5301.1

- Income and earnings types typically without documentable continuance
- Income types with documentable continuance
- Other income types that may or may not have documentable continuance

Freddie Mac's Single-Family Seller/Servicer Guide Series 5000: Origination and Underwriting Topic 5300: Stable Monthly Income and Asset Qualification Sources Chapter 5301: General Requirements for All Stable Monthly Income and Asset Qualification Sources



Employed Income Types

Primary

Borrower's primary source of employed income

Secondary

Second job, part-time job or multiple jobs

Additional

- Commissions
- Bonus
- Overtime
- Tips
- Auto allowance
- Mortgage differential
- Military entitlements
- Military Reserves & National Guard
- Unemployment with seasonal employment

Primary Additional

Secondary

Freddie Mac's Single-Family Seller/Servicer Guide Topic 5300



Freddie Mac - Calculation of Fluctuating Employment Earnings

The degree of fluctuation and the length of receipt of the income must be considered when calculating income used to qualify for the Mortgage. The Seller must evaluate the income trend and use the amount that is most likely to continue for the next three years.

Consistent and increasing income trends

If the income is consistent or the trend is increasing, the Seller must average the most recent year(s) and YTD income over the applicable number of months documented. However, if the increase between the prior year(s) and YTD earnings exceeds 10%, additional analysis is required and additional documentation may be necessary to determine income stability in order to use the higher amount when calculating the qualifying income. The analysis and documentation must support the amount of income used to qualify the Borrower. Acceptable factors include, but are not limited to, promotion and income increasing consistently year over year.

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Freddie Mac - Calculation of Fluctuating Employment Earnings

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Declining trend

The Seller must use the year-to-date income and must not include the previous higher level unless there is documentation of a one-time occurrence (e.g., injury) that prevented the Borrower from working or earning full income for a period of time and evidence that the Borrower is back to the income amount that was previously earned.

If the decline between the prior year(s) and/or YTD earnings exceeds 10%, the Seller must conduct further analysis and additional documentation may be necessary to determine whether the income is currently stable. This analysis must include the reason for the declining trend, and support that the current income has stabilized.

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Loan Product Advisor Documentation Matrix

Loan Product Advisor® Documentation Matrix



Use the following information as a reference for documenting your Loan Product Advisor® (LPASM) loans. For complete documentation information and specific program eligibility requirements, refer to the <u>Freddie Mac Single-Family Seller/Servicer Guide</u> (Guide). We recommend bookmarking the Guide link (https://guide.freddiemac.com/app/guide/) for easy access.*

What Has Changed in this Reference?

This reference is updated to coincide with new and significant changes to documentation requirements announced in Guide Bulletins. Recent changes include:



Documenting Other Employment Income Types



Fannie Mae Commission Income

A minimum history of 2 years of commission income is recommended; however, commission income that has been received for 12 to 24 months may be considered as acceptable income, as long as there are positive factors to reasonably offset the shorter income history.

Documentation

One of the following must be obtained to document commission income:

- a completed Request for Verification of Employment (Form 1005 or Form 1005(S))*, or
- the borrower's recent paystub and IRS W-2 forms covering the most recent two-year period.

And

A verbal VOE is required from each employer.

B3-3.1-04, Commission Income (12/04/2018)



Freddie Mac - Commission Income

History of receipt: Two years, consecutive¹

Continuance: Must be likely to continue for at least the next three years

Calculation: Refer to <u>Section 5303.4(b)</u> for calculation guidance and requirements

Documentation Requirements with Streamline Accept and Standard All of the following:

YTD paystub(s) documenting all YTD earnings, W-2 forms for the most recent two calendar years and a 10-day PCV (refer to Section 5302.2(d))

Or all of the following:

Written verification of employment (VOE) documenting all YTD earnings and the earnings for the most recent two calendar years and a 10-day PCV

Freddie Mac Selling Guide 5303.3 Specific requirements for additional employed income



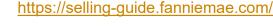
Fannie Mae Bonus and Overtime

A minimum history of two years of employment income is recommended. However, income that has been received for a shorter period of time may be considered as acceptable income, as long as the borrower's employment profile demonstrates that there are positive factors to reasonably offset the shorter income history.

Borrowers relying on overtime or bonus income for qualifying purposes must have a history of no less than 12 months to be considered stable.

Obtain the following documents:

- a completed Form 1005 or Form 1005(S), or
- the borrower's recent paystub and IRS W-2 forms covering the most recent two-year period.





Freddie Mac - Bonus Income and OT

History of receipt: Two years, consecutive¹

Continuance: Must be likely to continue for at least the next three years

Calculation: Refer to Section 5303.4(b) for calculation guidance and requirements

Documentation Requirements with Streamline Accept and Standard All of the following:

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Or all of the following:

Written VOE documenting all YTD earnings and the earnings for the most recent two calendar years and a 10-day PCV

Freddie Mac Selling Guide 5303.3 Specific requirements for additional employed income



Tip Income - Fannie Mae

Tip income may be used to qualify the borrower if the lender verifies that the borrower has received it for the last two years.

Documentation - Obtain the following documents:

A completed Request for Verification of Employment (Form 1005 or Form 1005(S))*, or

- the borrower's recent paystub, and
- IRS W-2 forms covering the most recent two-year period or the most recent two years tax returns with IRS Form 4137, Social Security and Medicare Tax on Unreported Tip Income, to verify tips not reported by the employer.

B3-3.1-09, Other Sources of Income (12/14/2022)

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Freddie Mac - Tip Income

Tip income reported by employer

History of receipt: Two years, consecutive¹

Continuance: Must be likely to continue for at least the next three years

Calculation: Refer to <u>Section 5303.4(b)</u> for calculation guidance and requirements

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Freddie Mac Selling Guide 5303.3 Specific requirements for additional employed income



Temporary Leave - Fannie Mae

Temporary leave from work is generally short in duration and for reasons of maternity or parental leave, short-term medical disability, or other temporary leave types that are acceptable by law or the borrower's employer. Borrowers on temporary leave may or may not be paid during their absence from work.

If a lender is made aware that a borrower will be on temporary leave at the time of closing of the mortgage loan and that borrower's income is needed to qualify for the loan, the lender must determine allowable income and confirm employment as described on the next slides-

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Temporary Leave - Fannie Mae

✓	Temporary Leave Employment Requirements
	The borrower's employment and income history must meet standard eligibility requirements as described in Section B3–3.1, Employment and Other Sources of Income.
	The borrower must provide written confirmation of his or her intent to return to work.
	The lender must document the borrower's agreed-upon date of return by obtaining, either from the borrower or directly from the employer (or a designee of the employer when the employer is using the services of a third party to administer employee leave), documentation evidencing such date that has been produced by the employer or by a designee of the employer. Examples of the documentation may include, but are not limited to, previous correspondence from the employer or designee that specifies the duration of leave or expected return date or a computer printout from an employer or designee's system of record. (This documentation does not have to comply with the Allowable Age of Credit Documents policy.)
	The lender must receive no evidence or information from the borrower's employer indicating that the borrower does not have the right to return to work after the leave period.
	The lender must obtain a verbal verification of employment in accordance with <u>B3-3.1-07</u> , <u>Verbal Verification of Employment</u> . If the employer confirms the borrower is currently on temporary leave, the lender must consider the borrower employed.
	The lender must verify the borrower's income in accordance with Section B3–3.1, Employment and Other Sources of Income. The lender must obtain



Temporary Leave - Fannie Mae

Requirements for Calculating Income Used for Qualifying

If the borrower will return to work as of the first mortgage payment date, the lender can consider the borrower's regular employment income in qualifying.

If the borrower will **not** return to work as of the first mortgage payment date, the lender must use the lesser of the borrower's temporary leave income (if any) or regular employment income. If the borrower's temporary leave income is less than his or her regular employment income, the lender may supplement the temporary leave income with available liquid financial reserves (see <u>B3-4.1-01, Minimum Reserve</u> <u>Requirements</u>). Following are instructions on how to calculate the "supplemental income":

Supplemental income amount = available liquid reserves divided by the number of months of supplemental income

- Available liquid reserves: subtract any funds needed to complete the transaction (down payment, closing costs, other required debt payoff, escrows, and minimum required reserves) from the total verified liquid asset amount.
- *Number of months of supplemental income*: the number of months from the first mortgage payment date to the date the borrower will begin receiving his or her regular employment income, rounded up to the next whole number.

After determining the supplemental income, the lender must calculate the total qualifying income.

Total qualifying income = supplemental income plus the temporary leave income

The total qualifying income that results may not exceed the borrower's regular employment income.

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Freddie Mac - Temporary Leave

Temporary leave from an employer may encompass various circumstances (e.g., family and medical, short-term disability, maternity, other temporary leaves with or without pay). Temporary leave is generally short in duration. The period of time that a Borrower is on temporary leave may be determined by various factors such as applicable law, employer policies and short-term insurance policy and/or benefit terms. Leave ceases being considered temporary when the Borrower does not intend to return to the current employer or does not have a commitment from the current employer to return to employment. Refer to Chapter 5305 regarding long-term disability income if the Seller has knowledge the Borrower has applied for, is receiving or will be receiving long-term disability benefits or long-term insurance benefits.

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Fannie Mae-Secondary Income

Verification of a minimum history of two years secondary employment income is recommended. However, income that has been received for a shorter period of time (but, no less than 12 months) may be considered as acceptable income, as long as there are positive factors to reasonably offset the shorter income history.

A borrower may have a history that includes different employers, which is acceptable as long as income has been consistently received. In no instance may the borrower have any gap in employment greater than one month in the most recent 12-month period, unless the secondary employment is considered seasonal income



Freddie Mac-Secondary Income

In most instances, the Borrower should have at least a two-year history of secondary employment for the employment to be considered stable. Under certain circumstances, when a Borrower has less than a two-year secondary employment history but has at least a 12-month history, the Seller may be able to justify and determine the employment is stable. Examples that may support less than a two-year history of secondary employment include, but are not limited to, the following:

- The Borrower previously held a job with base non-fluctuating earnings working 40 hours per week for multiple years; however, due to reasons such as position elimination, work force reduction, or illness, the Borrower is no longer employed at this job and is now working at multiple part-time jobs that are similar in hours and pay, when combined, to the previous full-time job. Since the Borrower's full-time employment ended 18 months ago, the length of employment at each part-time job is in the range of 13 to 15 months. In this scenario, the Seller may be able to justify an employment history of less than two years for the secondary and additional jobs provided the earnings are consistent and the Borrower has exhibited the ability to repay obligations.
- The Borrower is employed in the educational system as a teacher. During the previous summer the Borrower taught summer school within the same educational system and is now starting summer school teaching for the current year. Although the two-year history is not yet fully developed, given the job type and current employment situation, the Seller may be able to justify including the summer school income provided an accurate qualifying amount can be established and documented based on the previous and current earnings. Additional documentation to determine the stable monthly income may be appropriate (e.g., how many classes, how much, is it similar to prior year).



Seasonal Employment and Unemployment

Seasonal employment and unemployment compensation

The Borrower must have a two-year consecutive history of receiving income from seasonal employment and the seasonal employment income must be likely to continue for at least the next three years in order to consider the income for qualifying. Unemployment compensation associated with seasonal employment may be considered qualifying income if the Borrower has a two-year history of receipt and the unemployment compensation is likely to continue for at least the next three years. The Seller must not use seasonal employment income or unemployment compensation to qualify the Borrower unless the income is reported on the Borrower's individual federal income tax returns for the most recent two-year period



Seasonal Income and Unemployment - Fannie Mae

Verify the borrower has at least a two-year history of seasonal employment and income.

*Unemployment compensation cannot be used to qualify the borrower unless it is clearly associated with seasonal employment that is reported on the borrower's signed federal income tax returns. Verify that the seasonal income is likely to continue.

Documentation

Document that the borrower has received the payments consistently for at least two years by obtaining copies of signed federal income tax returns.

*Unemployment compensation may be used in qualifying a borrower for a high LTV refinance loan whether it is seasonal or non-seasonal.

B3-3.1-05, Secondary Employment Income (Second Job and Multiple Jobs) and Seasonal Income (12/15/2021) B3-3.1-09, Other Sources of Income (12/14/2022)

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Freddie Mac - Seasonal Employment

Seasonal employment may be primary employment (e.g., highway construction and road work in colder regions) or secondary employment (e.g., educators teaching summer school). The Borrower's earnings may be comprised of base non-fluctuating earnings, fluctuating hourly earnings and/or additional employed income.

Additional Requirements

When unemployment income associated with the seasonal employment is being used as stable monthly income:

A documented two-year history of seasonal employment and income receipt is required, and

The requirements for unemployment income associated with seasonal employment in <u>Section</u> 5303.3 must be met

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Freddie Mac – Unemployment associated with Seasonal Income

History of receipt: Two years, consecutive¹

Continuance: Must be likely to continue for at least the next three years

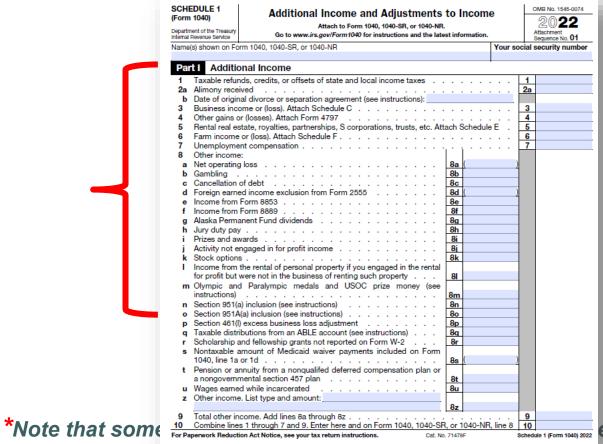
Calculation: Refer to Section 5303.4(b) for calculation guidance and requirements

Documentation Requirements with Streamline Accept and Standard All of the following:

Proof of receipt of unemployment compensation for the most recent two-year period (e.g., IRS Form 1099-G(s) and/or equivalent documentation)



Tax Return Review for Unemployment



schedule 1 (Form 1040) 2022 edule 1 have changed on the 2021 tax form



Auto Allowance - Fannie Mae

For an automobile allowance to be considered as acceptable stable income, the borrower must have received payments for at least two years. The lender must add the full amount of the allowance to the borrower's monthly income, and the full amount of the lease or financing expenditure to the borrower's monthly debt obligations.

B3-3.1-09, Other Sources of Income (12/14/2022)

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Freddie Mac - Auto Allowance

History of receipt: Two years, consecutive¹

Continuance: Must be likely to continue for at least the next three years

Calculation: The Seller may add the full amount of the allowance to the Borrower's qualifying income, and when calculating the Borrower's debt payment-to-income ratio, the Seller must include the full amount of the monthly automobile financing expense in the calculation of the Borrower's monthly debt payment (refer to Section 5401.2). The Seller may not subtract the automobile allowance from the monthly automobile financing expense.

Documentation Requirements with Streamline Accept and Standard All of the following:

All of the following:

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Or all of the following:

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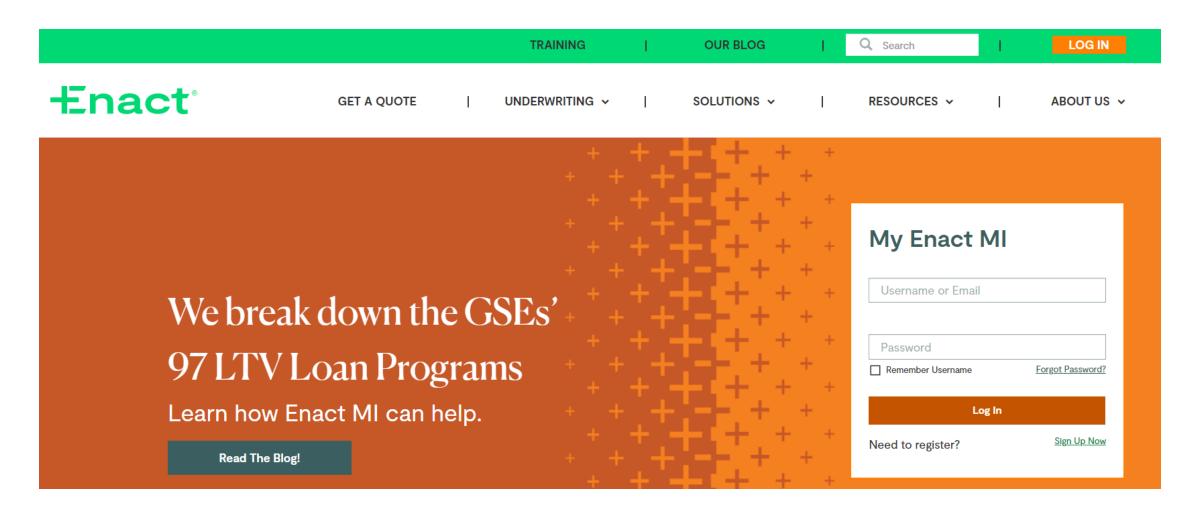
Income history and stability – requirements and guidance

Many additional employed income types are fluctuating income. The stability of fluctuating income is determined based primarily upon historical earnings so it is imperative that a sufficient income history has been established. For this reason, most income types that fluctuate have a history requirement of two years. In certain instances, a shorter history may still be considered stable if the Seller provides a written analysis and sufficient supporting documentation justifying the determination of stability. When making this determination, the Seller must take into consideration factors such as income and/or employment characteristics and the overall layering of risk factors, including the Borrower's demonstrated ability to repay obligations. In no event may the history be less than 12 months.

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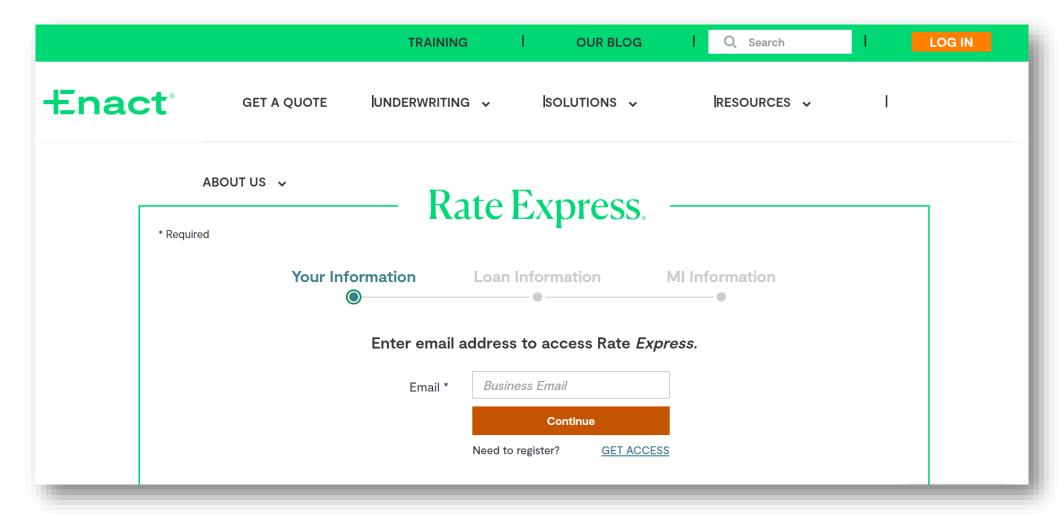


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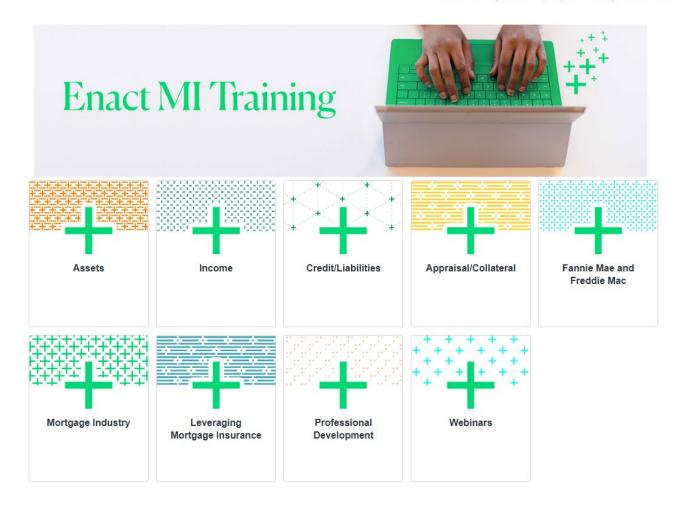




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