

B Nutrition Assistance Gross Income Test

AZTECS applies the gross income test in both the eligibility and benefit determinations, based on 130% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

Gross income is the total of all countable income received by the budgetary unit less both of the following:

- Court ordered [child support expenses](#)
- [Farm Self Employment Loss](#)

Compare countable gross income to the maximum income allowable by budgetary unit size, except for either of the following:

- Budgetary units containing [elderly or disabled](#) participants. Only the net income test applies to these budgetary units.
- [Categorically eligible budgetary units](#). These budgetary units are not required to meet the gross or the net income tests.

When the budgetary unit does not pass the gross income test, key the EI Denial or Closure Reason code in the DEN/CLOSE REAS field on **FSAD**.

When the budgetary unit passes the gross income test, AZTECS completes the [NA net income test](#).

Changes in the budgetary unit's circumstances may change the income tests that must be passed. When a budgetary unit becomes subject to a different income test, apply the appropriate NA income standards at the time the change becomes known. (See [Gross Monthly Income](#) and [Net Monthly Income Eligibility Standards](#))