# **Understanding Society User Support - Support #1565**

## Income Variable: Drop negative values?

07/20/2021 02:08 PM - Ipsitaa Khullar

Status:	Resolved	Start date:	07/20/2021
Priority:	High	% Done:	100%
Assignee:			
Category:	Income		

## Description

Hi,

I am using the fimngrs\_dv variable from indresp files. Some of the reported values are negative, for example, I see a minimum value of -17,741.34. Surely I cannot take it as a correct value of monthly income for the individual? Is it common practice to only keep positive values of monthly income data?

Many thanks for your help!

#### History

#### #1 - 07/20/2021 03:17 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from New to Feedback
- % Done changed from 0 to 50
- Private changed from Yes to No

Dear Ipsitaa,

Negative values result from self-employed respondents reporting losses. You might also find useful our answers to similar past queries, e.g.: <a href="https://iserredex.essex.ac.uk/support/issues/1290">https://iserredex.essex.ac.uk/support/issues/1290</a>
<a href="https://iserredex.essex.ac.uk/support/issues/1481">https://iserredex.essex.ac.uk/support/issues/1481</a>

Kind regards,

Understanding Society User Support Team

### #2 - 10/12/2021 02:52 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from Feedback to Resolved
- Assignee deleted (Ipsitaa Khullar)
- % Done changed from 50 to 100

### #3 - 08/22/2023 01:32 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Category changed from Data analysis to Income

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