

Top 50 Overlooked Deductions

Keeping up with ever-changing tax deductions can be daunting. Worse, you may be overlooking some deserved tax deductions that could affect your refund. .

That's why Jackson Hewitt has compiled a list of commonly overlooked deductions for your reference.

-Medical-related Overlooked Tax Deductions

Medical transportation expenses including tolls, parking, and mileage for trips to health facilities, doctor's offices, laboratories, etc.

Nursing home expenses that are primarily for medical care

Medical aids such as crutches, canes, and orthopedic shoes

Hearing aids, eye glasses, and contact lenses

Hospital fees for services such as nursing, physical therapy, lab tests, and x-rays

Equipment for disabled or handicapped individuals

Part of the life-care fee paid to a retirement home designated for medical care

The cost of alcohol and drug abuse programs, and certain smoking-cessation treatments

Wages for nursing services

-Job-related Overlooked Tax Deductions

Education expenses you paid to maintain or improve job skills

A handicapped individual's work-related expenses

Professional journals, magazines, and newspapers that are job-related

Cost of safe deposit box used for investments or business

Seeing-eye dogs for the handicapped or guard dogs for a business

Required uniforms and work clothes not suitable for street wear

Union dues

Employment agency fees or commissions in certain cases

Home office expenses, if for your primary place of business

Job-seeking expenses within your present field of employment

Reservist and National Guard overnight travel expenses

Dues to professional organizations

Business gifts up to \$25 per customer or client

Business expenses including travel, meals, lodging, and entertainment not reimbursed by your employer

Cleaning and laundering services while traveling for business

Tools for use at your job

Cellular phones required for business

Half of the self-employment tax paid

Self-employed health insurance premiums

-Property-related Overlooked Tax Deductions

Commission to brokers or agents for the sale of property or property management
Your moving expenses
Personal property taxes on cars, boats, etc.
General casualty and theft losses in excess of \$100 and totaling more than 10% of adjusted gross income

-Miscellaneous Overlooked Tax Deductions

Student loan interest

Special school costs for mentally or physically handicapped individuals

Worthless stock or securities
Fees for tax preparation or advice
Legal fees to collect taxable alimony or Social Security
Hobby expenses to the extent of hobby income you included in gross income

Not every item will be applicable to your situation, so you should consult your local **Jackson Hewitt Tax Service office** for more advice.
You may also find deductions related to your job and life events in our new tax preparation product **Jackson Hewitt Online**.