

SGD 93/2 - When calculating the base year annual national payroll for an employer, are all the businesses of an individual or a non-incorporated entity treated as separate employers?

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Superannuation Guarantee Determination

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1. No. Even though an individual or a non-incorporated entity (e.g. a partnership) carries on more than one business (none of which is incorporated) that person or entity is still treated as a single employer for the purposes of the Superannuation Guarantee.

Example :

*Michael Jones has two businesses:
the businesses are not incorporated entities;
each has its own Group Employer Number;
each uses a registered business name;
they both were employers for the whole of the 1991-92 financial year.*

Michael's base year annual national payroll was

<i>Frog Services had a payroll for 1991-92 of</i>	<i>\$750,000</i>
<i>Tadpole Constructions had a payroll for 1991-92 of</i>	<i><u>\$700,000</u></i>
<i>Michael's base year annual national payroll is</i>	<i>\$1,450,000.</i>

*Michael therefore has a charge percentage for each of his employees for the contribution period:
1 July 1992 to 31 December 1992 of 4%; and
1 January 1993 to 30 June 1993 of 5%.*

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