

Retained Earnings (Finance)

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Business earnings after deducting the [Dividends](#) from [Net Income](#):

$$\text{Retained Earnings} = \text{Net Income} - \text{Dividends}$$

If [Retained Earnings](#) are not fully expensed during the [Accounting Period](#) then they are accrued in the records:

$$\text{Closing Retained Earnings} = \text{Opening Retained Earnings} + \text{Net Income} - \text{Dividends}$$

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