

Self-Employment – Summative Assessment

Part 1

Analyze the data in the “**Employment Projections – National Employment Matrix – Self-Employed Workers**” table. Then, compare and contrast that data with the data in the tables in the text “**Self-Employment: What to know to be your own boss.**”

1. Overall, how accurate were the projections from 2012?
2. Are there any occupations for which the projections were particularly accurate or inaccurate?
3. Explain any trends or patterns you noticed while analyzing the data.

Economics Line of Inquiry

Lesson 2

Part 2

Read the following quotes. Select one and write a one-paragraph response giving advice to the person about self-employment. Support your answer with at least three pieces of information from the article and tables.

- **Juanita**

“I’m interested in self-employment, but I’m not sure if it’s right for me. What are the most important things I should consider before I start my own business?”

- **Ruby**

“I’d like to be self-employed, but I really don’t want the pressure of employing other people. Is it realistic for me to own my own business?”

- **Dwayne**

“Cooking is my passion, and I don’t want anything to distract from my dedication to my craft as a chef. Should I open my own restaurant, so I have control over everything?”

- **Mark**

“I definitely want to be my own boss, but I’m still trying to decide what specific business to go into. The main thing I know I want is an occupation with a strong potential for growth as a self-employed business. I’m interested in computers, the healthcare industry, and helping people. What do you think my best options are?”