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Xero - Tracking



What is Tracking:

In Xero, **Tracking** is what is used to identify transactions that can be grouped/assigned to a particular area of your business. These can then be reported on and you are able to get a snapshot of how those separate areas of the business are performing.

Applications:

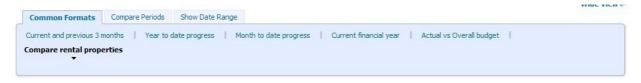
For Rental Properties: Report on separately identifiable (multiple) rental properties

For Businesses: Report on separately identifiable (multiple) branches/trading accounts/product lines etc

Why do I need it?

So you can track performance of multiple areas

E.g. Profit & Loss Statement for Rental Properties



Profit & Loss

All Rental Properties 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013

Add Summary						
	Property 1	Property 2	Property 3	Property 4	Unassigned	Total
Income						
Rent Received	12,839.69	15,844.59	6,946.11	3,846.08	700.00	40,176.47
Total Income	12,839.69	15,844.59	6,946.11	3,846.08	700.00	40,176.47
Gross Profit	12,839.69	15,844.59	6,946.11	3,846.08	700.00	40,176.47
Less Operating Expenses						
Accountancy Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,594.90	3,594.90
Bank Charges	0.00	12.50	0.00	0.00	736.98	749.48
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	589.52	589.52
Interest on Loans	7,849.45	14,653.02	5,528.58	5,775.78	7,599.60	41,406.43
Interest on Overdraft	0.00	331.34	0.00	0.00	1,609.70	1,941.04
Legal Expenses	0.00	785.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,785.00
Repairs & Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	71.00	71.00
Total Operating Expenses	7,849.45	15,781.86	5,528.58	5,775.78	15,201.70	50,137.37
Net Profit	4,990.24	62.73	1,417.53	(1,929.70)	(14,501.70)	(9,960.90)

How to set up/add tracking in Xero:

In the top blue Xero menu go to Settings > General Settings > Tracking

1. Add a tracking category

2. Add tracking options



For Property Investors/Rental (see Fig.1a below)

= Rental Properties

=(Street) followed by (number)

For Property Dealers/Developers (see Fig.1b below)

= Property Developments

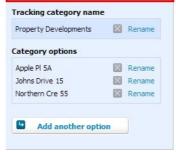
=(Street) followed by (number)

For Trading Businesses (see Fig.1c below)

= Trading Accounts or = Region/Branch etc

=Division name, trading account name, branch name, area etc





E.g. Property Dealers/Developers



Fig.1a

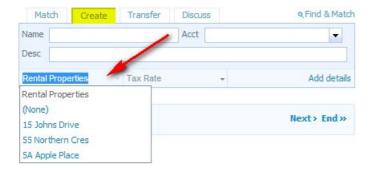
Fig.1b

Fig.1c

How to apply tracking in Xero: (various methods - here are some of the main ones)

Through 'Reconcile Account Transaction'

When reconciling a bank transaction using the 'Create' function:



Through 'Bank Rules'

If you are creating a bank rule:



Through 'Sale or Purchase' entry

If you are entering an invoice:

