Below are just a few expenses some people don’t think of when it comes to tax deductions. If you have any questions on any of them, please let me know.

* Legal & Professional
  + Tax Prep fees
  + Monthly accounting fees
  + Accounting or tax software costs
  + Payroll processing
  + Legal fees related to the business (not citations or fines, they are not deductible)
  + Attorney fees Pre-paid legal Contract fees
* Fees
  + ATM Fees
  + Comcheck fees
  + Bank fees
  + Money order fees
  + Broker fees or commissions
  + Fuel card fees
* Fuel
  + Fuel
  + Fuel Additives
* Communication
  + Cell Phone & Accessories
  + Office Phone (if you have an office)
  + Internet fees (air card charges, wifi subscriptions)
  + Fax charges
  + Phone cards
  + CB Radio
  + Qualcomm
  + Satellite Radios & TV
* Insurance
  + Primary liability
  + Cargo insurance
  + Physical damage insurance
  + NTL (non-trucking liability)
  + Bobtail insurance
  + Deadhead insurance
  + Workers comp
  + Work accident
  + Health insurance
  + Disability insurance
* Interest
  + Credit card interest (when the card is used for the business)
  + Equipment Loan Interest (truck, trailer, APU, etc.)
  + Business Loan interest
* Contract Labor
  + Lumper Fees
  + Load fees
  + Unloading fees
  + Dock Fees
* Repairs & Maintenances
  + Repairs
  + Maintenance
  + Truck/Trailer Wash
  + Towing
  + Tires
  + Oil Changes
  + Oil Analysis
  + Parts
  + Coolant (Anti-Freeze)
  + DEF (Diesel Exhaust Fluid)
  + Filters
  + Headache Rack
  + Oil
  + Hoses & Cables
  + Signs, Decals & Lettering
  + Costs of maintaining a guard dog
* Physicals
  + DOT Physicals
  + Drug testing
  + Sleep apnea testing or related costs
  + Drug consortium costs
* Rent/Lease
  + Truck rent/lease
  + Trailer rent/lease
  + Storage costs
  + Tool and equipment rental
  + Office rental
  + Garage rental
* Office Expense
  + Office supplies
  + Paper
  + Ink cartridges
  + Software
  + Office machines
  + Online subscriptions
  + Education: Seminars
  + Business related books (audiobooks, DVD’s)
  + Postage (Express Mail, TripPak, FedEx, UPS, etc.)
  + Shipping charges
  + PO Box
  + Printing (business cards, invoices. Letterhead etc.)
  + Calculator
  + Clipboard
  + Ledger book
  + Receipt book
  + Pens
  + Ruler
  + Photocopy/Fax fees
  + Stapler & Staples
  + Envelopes
* Tax/License
  + Registration
  + FHUT (aka 2290 or HVUT)
  + Permits
  + Fuel Tax (IFTA)
  + CDL Fees
  + Mileage tax
  + Business related Ad Valorem tax
  + Oversize/Overweight permits
* Tolls/Parking
  + Toll tickets
  + EzPass, Pike Pass, etc. (any toll related service)
  + Parking Fees
* Travel (Keep a written log for anything under $75)
  + Hotel/Lodging (receipt required)
  + Rental car
  + Showers
  + Airfare (business related)
  + Ferry
  + Idleaire/Shorepower
* Supplies
  + Hardware (nuts, bolts, etc.)
  + Building materials
  + Cleaning supplies
  + Small tools
  + Expendables
  + Air Freshners
  + Alarm Clock
  + Appliances
  + Atlas & Maps
  + Bedding/Sheets
  + Bungee Cords
  + Chains, Tarps, Pallets
  + Coffe Pot
  + Coolers
  + Crock pot
  + Electric Blanket
  + Fire Extinguisher
  + Flashlight & Batteries
  + Fly Swatter
  + Hangers
  + Ice Scraper
  + Kingpin lock
  + Padlock
  + Load Lock
  + Microwave
  + Luggage
  + Power Cords
  + Power washer
  + Shop equipment
  + Vaccuum
  + Wax
* Uniforms
  + Monogram or logo shirts
  + Gloves
  + Coveralls
  + Rain Gear
  + Safety Vest, goggles, hard hat, or other PPE
  + Laundry
  + Sunglasses
* Wages – Payroll related costs paid to:
  + Drivers
  + Office Personnel
  + Sales people
* Other Items
  + Scale ticket