

UCAS Tracker – version update log

Release date	Report	Release detail
18/9/2024	Tracker Enhanced	Initial release for 2025 application cycle. New for 2025 cycle: • New cycle comparison points: added 'Days from JCQ Level 3 results day' and 'Days from SQA results day cycle'. • New statistics available: added Total declines, Total firms and Total insurances to the 'Show me...' statistic slicer. • Provider mergers: if provider A merged with provider B to become provider A, provider A's Tracker data will now include provider B's data from all cycles reported, as opposed to just provider A's data as was reported previously. • Customised course groups: new method introduced to enable providers to submit customised course groups – available on Data tables section of Enhanced Tracker. • Shape of the cycle: shape of the cycle visualisations now include cumulative totals by day, instead of by week. • Benchmark quadrants page: renamed to Demographic quadrants. • Subject benchmark quadrants page: renamed to Subject quadrants. • 'Your change drivers' page: Achieved tariff points replaced by UK region in analysis variables.
18/9/2024	Tracker Basic/Enhanced	Initial release for 2025 application cycle. New for 2025 cycle: • Basic summary page: applications by domicile now includes Competitor group and Sector statistics. • Basic subject page: applications by CAH1 now includes Competitor group and Sector statistics.
21/1/2025	Tracker Enhanced	• Update to POLAR4 classification: missing values for Northern Irish and Scottish domiciled applicants now assigned to correct groups. • Update to Predicted Tariff Points and Achieved Tariff Points classifications: applicants with 36-59 points assigned to 36-47 or 48-59 groups, as opposed to 72-83 group as previously.
27/3/2025	Tracker Enhanced	• Update to Apply centre Local Education Authority (LEA) classification:
22/09/2025	Tracker Enhanced	Initial release for 2026 application cycle. New for 2026 cycle:

		- Introduced 10 new variables available across the dashboard: IMD, NIMDM, SIMD, WIMD, care responsibility status, estranged status, parent in UK armed forces status, parental responsibility status, refugee and asylum seeker status, and served in UK armed forces status. - Deferred status filter now available on filters page. - Updated visual on Course deep dive page, replacing line chart with matrix. - Introduced Apply centre code and Local education authority on Apply centres page, and enabled filtering by CAH1 subject group. Bug fixes: - Fix to competitor CAH statistics – a small number of competitor courses were being omitted from CAH breakdowns, due to changes in HECoS classifications during the cycle. This has been updated so these courses are no longer omitted from competitor CAH statistics. Affected providers have been notified. - Fix to capacity management pages, where statistics were being reported in calendar entry year (i.e.. January – December), rather than academic entry year (i.e.. August – July). Now reporting in academic entry year.
22/09/2025	Tracker Basic	Initial release for 2026 application cycle. New for 2026 cycle: Introduced provider summary, Course deep dive basic, and Data tables basic pages.
29/09/2025	Tracker Enhanced	Fix to Subject Overview page, where numbers were incorrectly summing across cycles. Now reporting figures for the 2026 cycle only.
01/10/2025	Tracker Basic	Fix to Course deep dive basic page, where erroneous course labels were removed.