LIS 15
Known Issues
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1/ Attempting to open LISdata2000.mdb results in the error message "This database is in an unexpected state; Microsoft Access can't open it."
The LIS database has been changed to Microsoft Access 2000 from Microsoft Access 97. As a result of this change, the error message given when a user attempts to open LISdata.mdb is as above, instead of the "You do not have the necessary permissions. . ." error that displayed in previous LIS versions.

**Suggested Action:** Open the LISData2000.mdb from the shortcut in the folder C:\LIS\Release15.

2/ The Options-Maintenance-Compact Database function does not work once the FE funding viewer has been used.

**Suggested action:** Close and restart the LIS, then use the compact database function before using the FE funding viewer.

3/ When exporting a report from batch import, the filename of the export cannot be changed.

When setting up an export of a report from batch import the browser seemingly allows a new filename to be created for the export, however, when the report is exported the default filename is used. This can sometimes result in a previous export being unexpectedly overwritten.

**Suggested action:** None. Users should be aware that these reports always use their default filenames.

4/ Opening the Provider Data Update file from outside LIS produces the message "This database is in an unexpected state; Microsoft Access can't open it."
The Provider Data Updates are not intended to be opened outside the LIS – this can be the result. The Provider Data Update file is intended to be opened from within the LIS application: Within the LIS, select 'Options' then on the 'Maintenance' tab select 'Update Data' and specify the location of the unzipped update file.

**Suggested action:** None.

5/ A11a_3 and A11b_3

Validation rules A11a_3 and A11b_3 are not listed in the validation rules specifications spreadsheet version 4, yet appear in the LIS and online systems. This is due to the way that the A11a_1 and A11b_1 rules have been implemented, which splits the ACL validation into separate rules A11a_3 and A11b_3. The next version of the validation rules specification spreadsheet will reflect this.

**Suggested action:** None.
6/ A10_AD04_1 does not trigger for some Train to Gain (TtG) learners that are less than 19 years old at the start of their aim

A10_AD04_1 should ensure that TtG learners are 19 years old or above at the start of their aim. However, the AD04 derived variable used by this validation rule only checks for the year and month when validating the learner’s date of birth against the learning aim start date. This means that a learner is considered to have reached their 19th birthday if it falls at any point during the month of the start date. For example, if a learning aim start date was the first day of a month but the learner was not 19 until later that month then this rule does not trigger.

This issue only affects the LIS implementation of AD04 and the A10_AD04_1 rules. It is implemented correctly in the online systems.

**Suggested action:** Be aware of this issue if A10_AD04_1 errors are reported from online systems.

7/ Section III of the Learner Numbers with Funding report shows the wrong year in the description

This section header incorrectly states academic year 0607 instead of 0708, this does not affect the report’s functionality. The figures show the number of learners with no FE funding in 2007/08.

**Suggested action:** Users should be aware of this issue when using the LNwF report in LIS 15.01.

8/ Section VI of the Learner Numbers with Funding (LNwF) report shows the wrong funding value against Full Level 3 learners

The funding values shown against the Full Level 3 learners do not include funding from A Level or AS/A2 aims. The Full Level 3 funding figures incorrectly includes Level_3_Cat_Codes of 1 only; it should include Level_3_Cat_Codes of 1, 2 and 3.

The Full Level 3 learner counts are correct and include A Level and AS/A2 aims. The Full Level 3 learner counts correctly include Level_3_Cat_Codes of 1, 2 and 3.

This issue affects the Learner Number with Funding report in LIS series 15 (2007/08), LIS series 14 (2006/07) and LIS series 13 (2005/06).

**Suggested action:** Be aware of this issue when using the LNwF report, particularly when using the LNwF Full Level 3 funding figures to report against other systems, such as the PaM system.