

ACE Reports: Enhancement of Automated Export System (AES) Universe to Replace Trade Export Data Universe

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On **December 4, 2024**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will enhance the Automated Export System (AES) data universe in Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) Reports. The enhancement will enable the retirement of the Trade Export data universe in ACE Reports on **March 31, 2025**. This enhancement will not impact Electronic Data Interchange (EDI).

Why is this change being made?

- Combining the functionality of both into a single data universe will improve performance for trade community users.
- This enhancement will provide a single universe for the trade community to run all export-related reports.
- Trade community users will utilize the same data universe with export data as CBP personnel.

What will the trade community need to do?

- On **December 4, 2024**, access to the AES universe will be granted to users of the Trade Export universe who do not already have it.
- Beginning **December 4, 2024**, users should transition any work they perform with the Trade Export universe to the AES universe.
- Trade community users will no longer have to select whether they want to run a report as a “filer” or as a “USPPI.”
- On **March 31, 2025**, CBP will retire the Trade Export data universe in ACE Reports.
- Before the Trade Export universe is retired, trade community users will need to repoint saved trade export reports to the AES data universe.
- Exporter account users can successfully repoint their saved reports to the Automated Export System (AES) universe using a two-step process.
 - Step 1: Users must repoint their report to a newly deployed universe labeled “Intermediate Trade Export universe.”
 - Step 2: Once the report has been successfully repointed in step 1, users will then repoint their report a second time to the AES universe.

What additional resources are available?

- **Training**
 - To prepare users for this deployment, CBP published an updated Quick Reference Card on the [ACE Training webpage](#), see **Repointing a Report**.
- **Biweekly Trade Support Call**
 - CBP hosts a biweekly support call to address ACE technical topics. This enhancement will be discussed during the following calls:
 - Thursday, November 21, 2024, 2 to 3 p.m. ET
 - Thursday, December 12, 2 to 3 p.m. ET
 - Join these meetings using the event link below. This is a recurring meeting link and can be used for all upcoming biweekly trade support call sessions.



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- WebEx Meeting: [ACE Biweekly Trade Support Call](#)
- Meeting Password: ACE1 (2231 from phones)
- **Additional Support**
 - For questions related to ACE Reports: Contact ace.reports@cbp.dhs.gov
 - Technical issues: Contact the ACE Account Service Desk (ASD) at 866-530-4172 or ace.support@cbp.dhs.gov
 - Updated information and changes will be communicated through CSMS. Sign up for CSMS messages at <https://www.cbp.gov/trade/automated/cargo-systems-messaging-service>.

