

# Universal Planner Release Notes

This release includes changes to the default rating stream for all UP plans as well as updates to the Nielsen Estimates, Client Rate Card, UP menu, and Line Class.

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## What's new in this release

This release includes the following enhancements:

- Nielsen BDN-C3 **Rating Stream** starting 4Q25
- Create a new card for each plan; **Select Rate Card** is no longer an option
- Nielsen Estimates will now be locked
- New plan actions from the UP menu
- Common UP scenario guide
- Line Class automatic updates when flipping a plan

## Populating Nilsen BDN Rating Stream

Nielsen estimates will now be on **BDN-C3**, which will populate in the **Rating Stream** field when you push UP plans to property plans.

**Note:** The only exception is CNBC Business Day, which continues to use **Cogent** as the rating stream.

## Oxy Child Plans in UWS

DEMOS

Primary Demo

P18-49

Rating Stream

BDN-C3

Secondary Demo(s)

F18-34

F18-49

F25-49

F25-54

HH

P18-34

P18-49

P18+

P2+

P25-54

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

Sub-status (optional)

Select Sub-status

Guaranteed

Equivalized

## Divisions still OnAir

Primary Demo:\*

F18-49

Rating Stream:\*

BDN-C3

HH Post Buy:\*

Exact ACM wtl

Demo Post B...

Exact ACM wil

☒ Guaranteed

☐ Compliant

Q

☒ Equivalized

Projection By:

Breakdown:

Internal Estir

Stewardship Link:

## Rate Card and Nielsen estimate updates

When creating a plan, **Select Rate Card** is no longer an option, so you need to create a new rate card for each plan.

Additional rate card enhancements:

- When you create a new rate card, the Nielsen estimates remain locked.
- If an existing plan duplicates and/or flips from **Demo** to **Advanced**, Nielsen estimates remain locked.
- If you created a proxy plan at Upfronts but need to make modifications (e.g., adjust the Advanced Audience guarantee), duplicate the proxy plan. Nielsen estimates on existing titles remain locked.
- If you added any new titles to the OnAir rate card after plan creation, refresh the forecast or client rate card to allow the titles to become available in the UP plan using current Nielsen estimates.
- When you edit a rate card, it won't affect the Nielsen estimates on that plan.

### Rate Card before

Select Rate Card - Liberty Mutual 3Q25						
<a href="#">Select Rate Card</a> <a href="#">Create Rate Card</a>						
NAME	TYPE	PREMIUM	PROPERTY AVERAGES	UPFRONT SALES DATA	CREATED ↓	
<input type="radio"/> LM 3Q25 RC	Upfront	120%	24-25 Property Averages with 3Q25 UPDATED Scatter Rates 5.5.25.csv - 5/21/25, 1:47 PM	Liberty Mutual 3Q25 RC (ROC and No Incentives Applied).csv - 6/4/25, 5:02 PM	6/4/25, 9:02 PM	
<input type="radio"/> QA_3Q25	Upfront	110%	23-24 Property Averages File _3Q24_Scatter_5.14.csv - 7/11/24, 7:19 AM	7- Universal Planner Rate Card File (Demo and Advanced) LM_Q325.csv - 7/11/24, 7:19 AM	7/11/24, 11:19 AM	

### Rate Card after

Rate Card for Liberty Mutual 3Q25

Name

Enter Rate Card Name

Type

☐ Upfront
 ☒ Scatter

Required Files

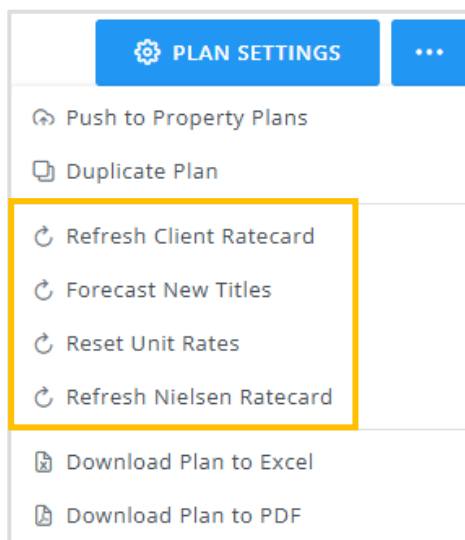
24-25 Property Avgs with 4Q24 UPDATED Scatter Rates 8.28.csv - 8/28/2024 4:55 pm
 

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SELECT PROPERTY AVERAGES FILE

## UP menu update

Click on the **ellipses** menu to view new plan actions: **Refresh Client Ratecard**, **Forecast New Titles**, **Reset Unit Rates**, and **Refresh Nielsen Ratecard**.



The following table defines new UP **Actions**, the **Estimated Time** for those actions, and the **Result**.

Action	Estimated time	Result
<b>Refresh Client Rate Card</b>	~10 seconds	Pulls in missing titles if the rate card was created before the forecast (there are already forecasts for titles that are not on the original ratecard)
<b>Forecast New Titles</b>	~2 hours	Generates forecasts for new titles that were not on the original forecast and makes them available in the UP plan. <b>Note:</b> This will not update the forecast for any previous titles
<b>Reset Unit Rates</b>	Immediate	Resets the unit rates to match the new data if you edited the Client Ratecard (e.g., Updated Property Averages, Upfront Sales data, Premium, what is held constant) without needing to re-optimize the plan
<b>Refresh Nielsen Ratecard</b>	Immediate	Pulls in the latest Nielsen estimates/OnAir ratecards for all properties within a Demo Optimized plan.  <b>Note:</b> This only applies to Demo Opti plans today. If you need new estimates for a specific property only, refresh within the child plan

## Common UP scenarios

The following table includes expected UP cause and effect scenarios.

If...	Then...
You create a new UP plan from scratch	Your plan pulls in current Nielsen estimates
You need to update Nielsen estimates for the entire Demo Opti plan (e.g., all networks)	Click on <b>Refresh Nielsen Ratecard</b>
You need to update Nielsen estimates for an entire UP plan (e.g., all networks)	Flip the plan to Demo Opti, Refresh Nielsen Ratecard and then flip back to Custom Audience
You need to update Nielsen estimates for a specific network	Refresh the rate card within the specific property plan (i.e., not in UP)
You need to update pricing but maintain all Nielsen estimates	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Edit/swap out the client rate card file</li> <li>2. Click on <b>Save and Optimize</b> to regenerate the plan or click <b>Refresh Unit Rates</b> to keep existing units and only update pricing</li> </ol>
You need to create a new plan but want to maintain Nielsen estimates	Duplicate the prior plan

## Line Class updates

When you flip a plan from **Nielsen Demo** to **Custom Audience** or from **Custom Audience** to **Nielsen Demo**, the plan will automatically update line class as follows:

- Nielsen Demo = **Guar**
- Custom Audience = **NG Post**

## Need help?

For assistance with any UWS issues, please reach out to the Tech Support team at [NBCUniCITechOpsSupport@nbcuni.com](mailto:NBCUniCITechOpsSupport@nbcuni.com).