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TCSI TERTIARY COLLECTION OF STUDENT INFORMATION

TCSI February 2026 Provider Webinar

Wednesday 25 February 2026

Agenda

Tertiary education providers:

- Address validation updates
- Navigating large data sets in TCSI Analytics

Higher education providers (only):

- Reporting returning students
- 2025 Student data verification
- TCSI Analytics ‘Verification’ uplift

Address validation updates

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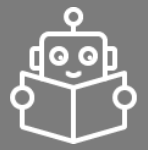
Address validations updates

Issue

- Three **warning** Real Time validations (RTVs) 10188, 10250 and 10251 are not triggering as expected for some reported address data.

Solution



- A real-time connection to Geoscape Geocoded National Address File (G-NAF).
- Fix the three RTVs.
- Two new Schedule Validations.
- Fix scheduled for **Friday 27 February**

Outcome

- A more reliable method to validate address details - which will help TCSI users report accurate student and VET delivery location addresses.
- More accurate equity measures.

Address validations updates

Residential address checks

RTV10250

Provider type:

VET / HEP

Description:

The residential address data does not form a valid address in Australia.

SV00130

Provider type:

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Description:

Student residential address does not pass address validation.

Logic:

System will check a reported residential address if the country code is in Australia and all address fields have been populated.

Schedule validations will run with census dates from 1 Jan 2025.

Address validations updates

First residential address checks

RTV10251

Provider type: VET / HEP

Description: The first residential address data does not form a valid address in Australia.

SV00129

Provider type: VET / HEP

Description: Student first residential address does not pass address validation.

Logic:

System will check a **first** reported address if the country code is in Australia and all address fields have been populated.

Schedule validations will run with census dates from 1 Jan 2025.

Address validations updates

Delivery location (VET Only)

RTV10188

Provider type: VET only

Description: The delivery location data does not form a valid address in Australia.

Logic:

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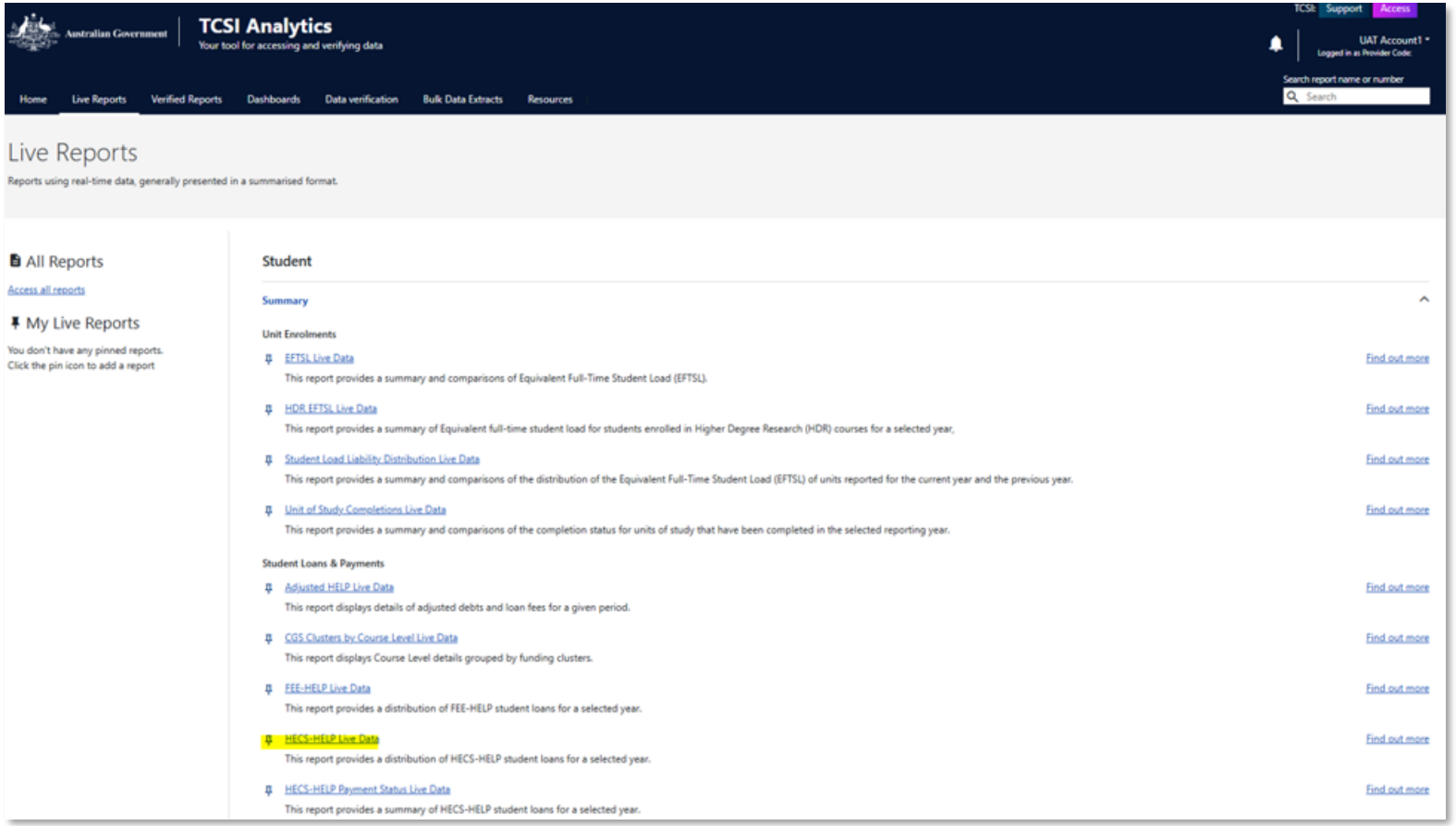

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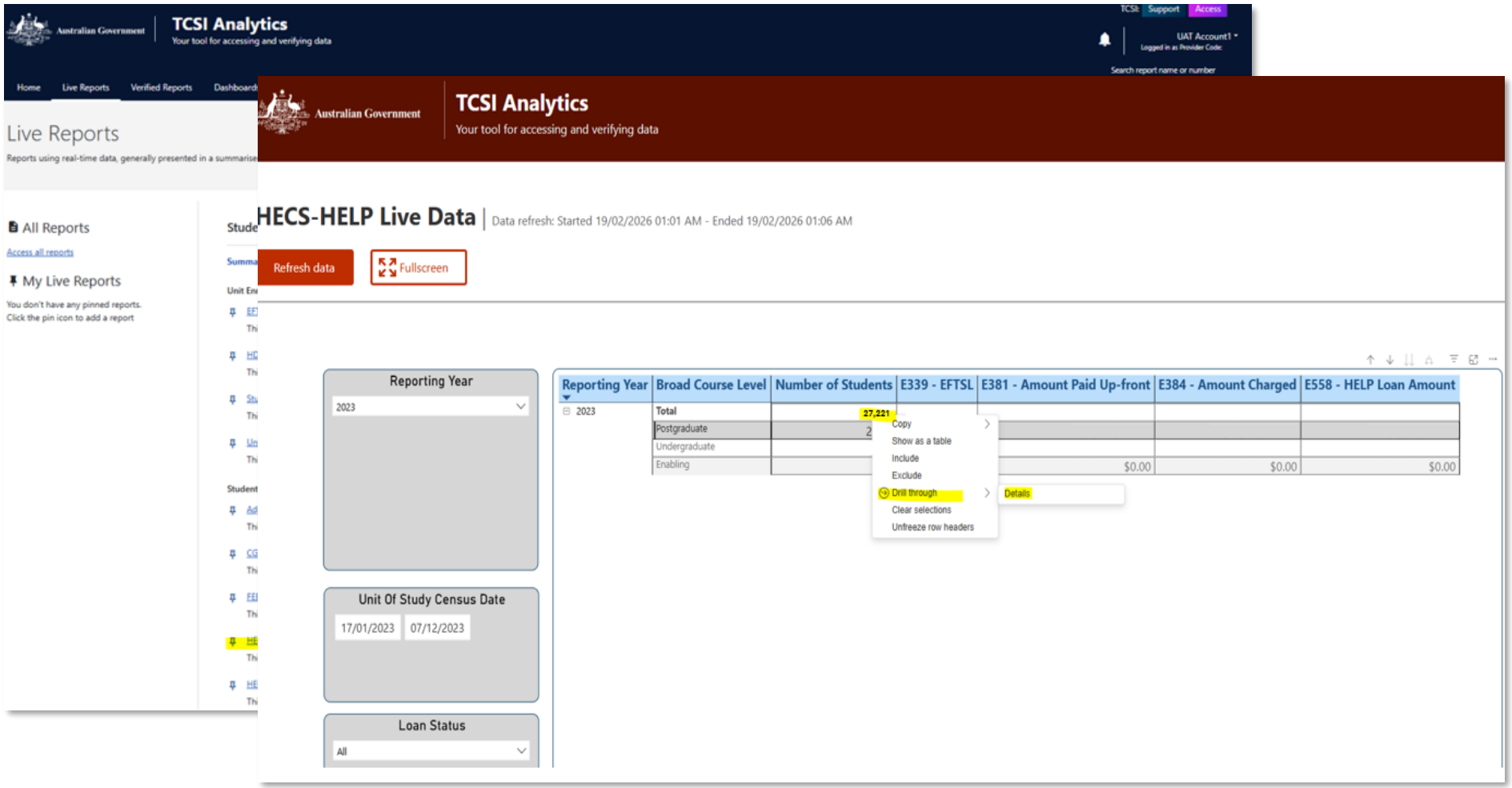

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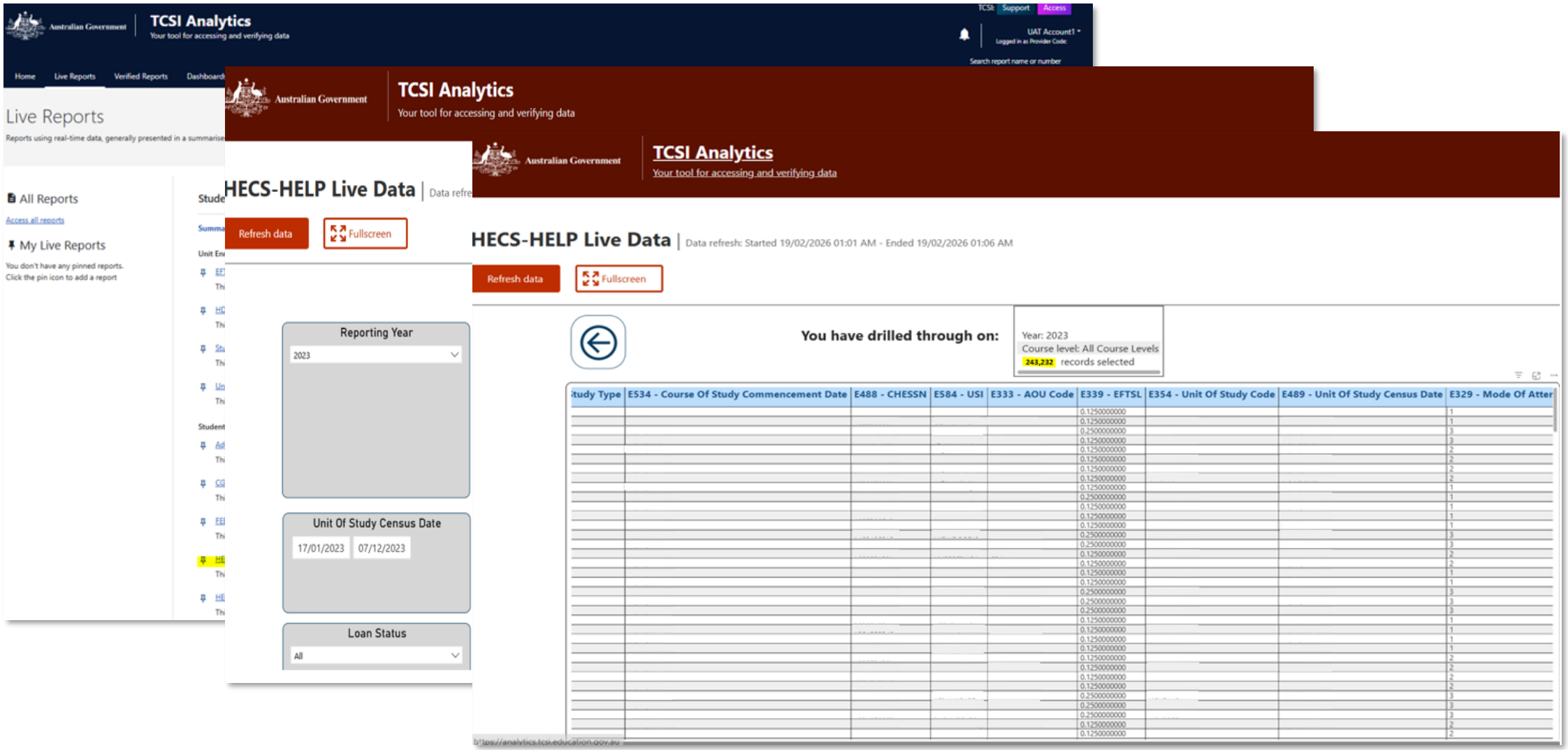

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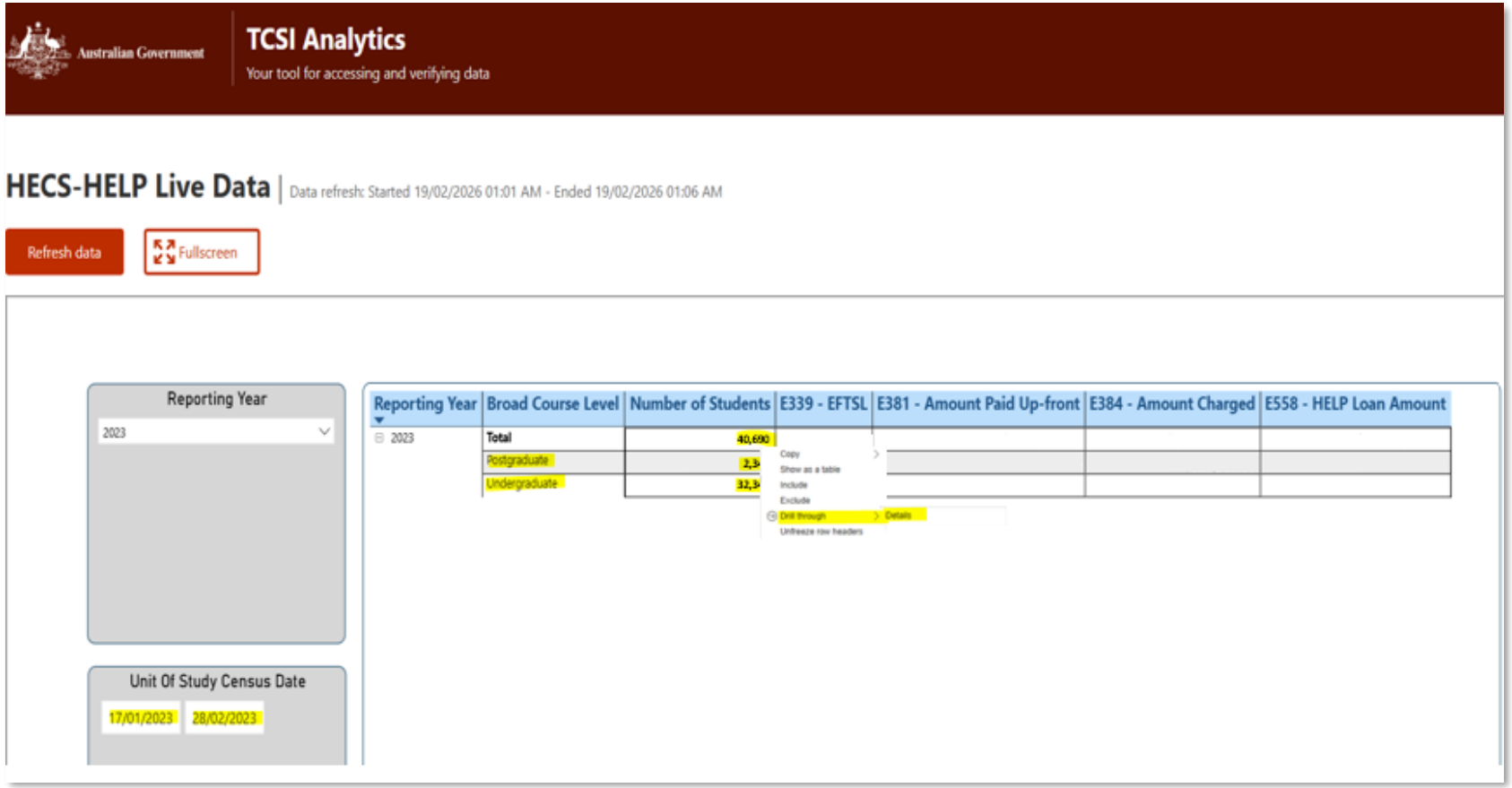

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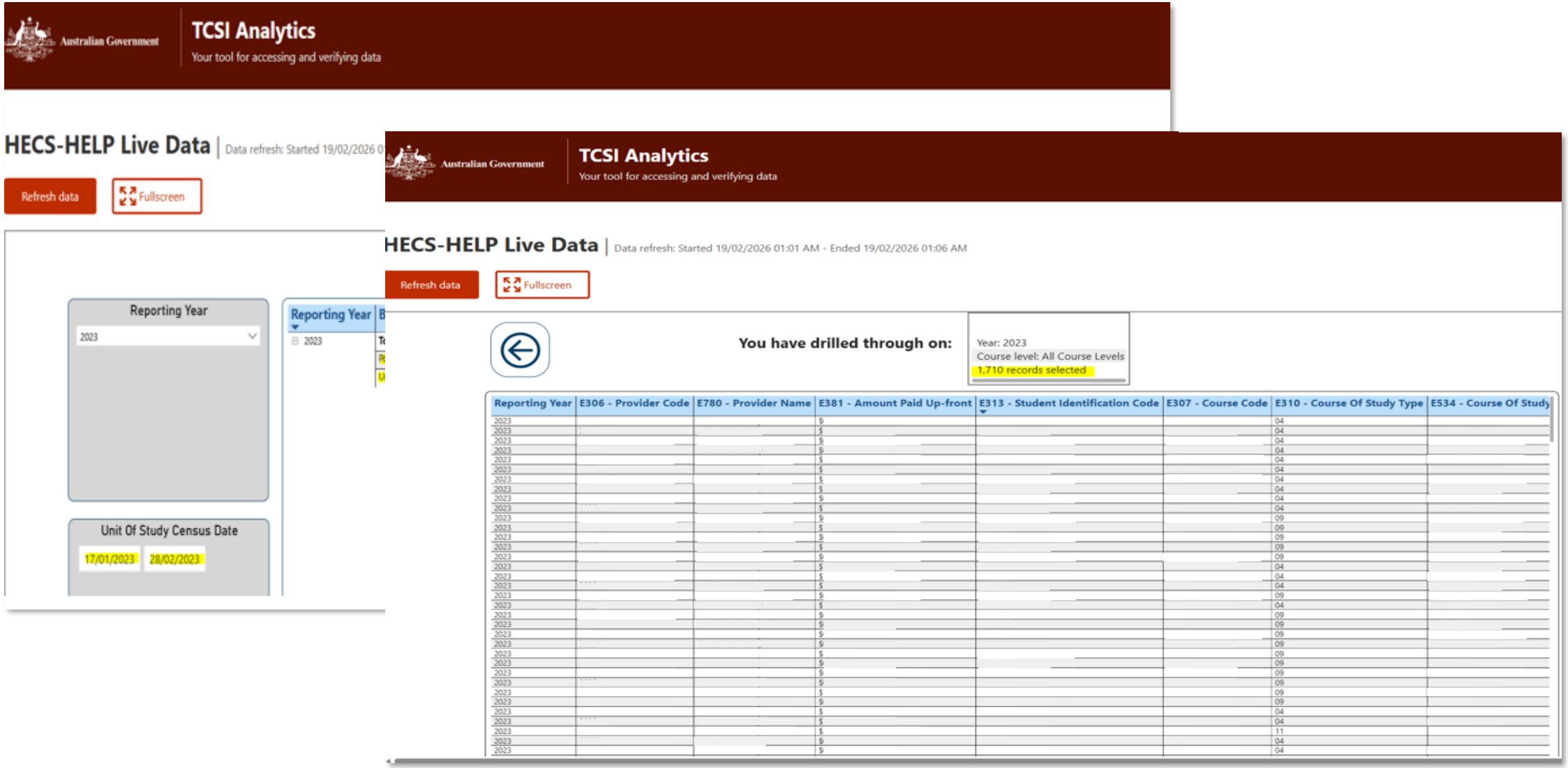

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Reporting returning students

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Reporting returning students

Continuing students

- The student would be readmitted into the same course admission. In TCSI, do this by setting the Course Outcome Code (E599) to ‘null’ and continuing to report any further unit enrolments.

Commencing students

- If the returning student is considered a Commencing Student, a new course admission packet should be reported and the Course of Study Commencement Date (E534) should be the date that the student commenced that new attempt.

Be mindful

- Review the Commencing Student glossary page to work out if a student is commencing.
- Note the way you report returning students may impact your provider’s Glidepath calculations as part of the new Managed Growth Funding system and Needs-based funding allocations.

2025 HEP student data verification

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2025 HEP student data verification

What is data verification?

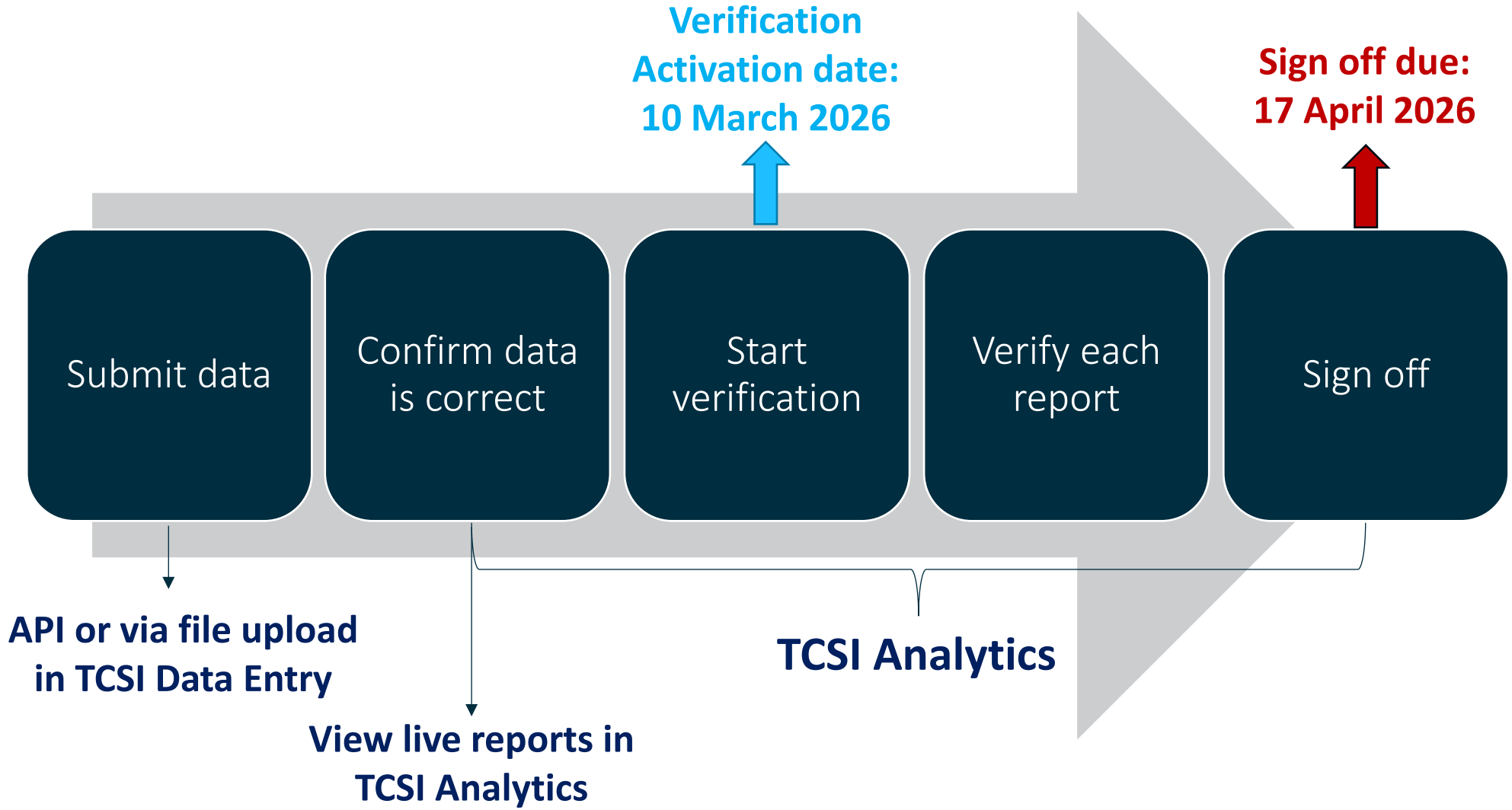
- Data verification is part of a provider's reporting requirements under the *Higher Education Support Act 2003* (HESA). It is a declaration that the data reported are complete, accurate and finalised.

Why is data verification important?

- The department uses the verified data to reconcile your funding and to publish information on your institution, including data on course completions and success rates.

- The verification process gives you a final opportunity to check your data carefully, as changes cannot be made to the 2025 Student data collection after it is signed off and finalised.

Verification Process Overview



Data Verification webpage

What's available

Tailored information for your provider type:

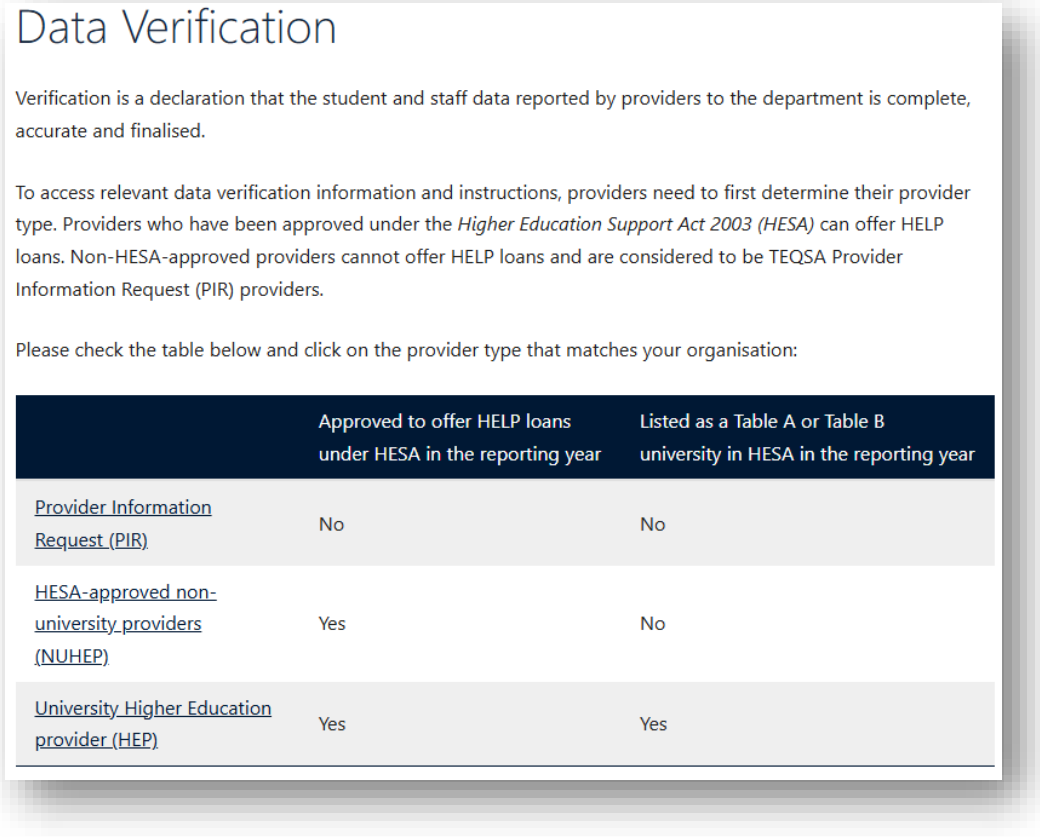
- Universities
- HESA-approved non-university providers

Comprehensive resources and instructions:

- key dates
- data submission resources
- verification reports
- verification instructions
- user tips

Data Verification webpage

https://www.tcsisupport.gov.au/view-data/TCSI-Analytics/verification



Data Verification

Verification is a declaration that the student and staff data reported by providers to the department is complete, accurate and finalised.

To access relevant data verification information and instructions, providers need to first determine their provider type. Providers who have been approved under the *Higher Education Support Act 2003 (HESA)* can offer HELP loans. Non-HESA-approved providers cannot offer HELP loans and are considered to be TEQSA Provider Information Request (PIR) providers.

Please check the table below and click on the provider type that matches your organisation:

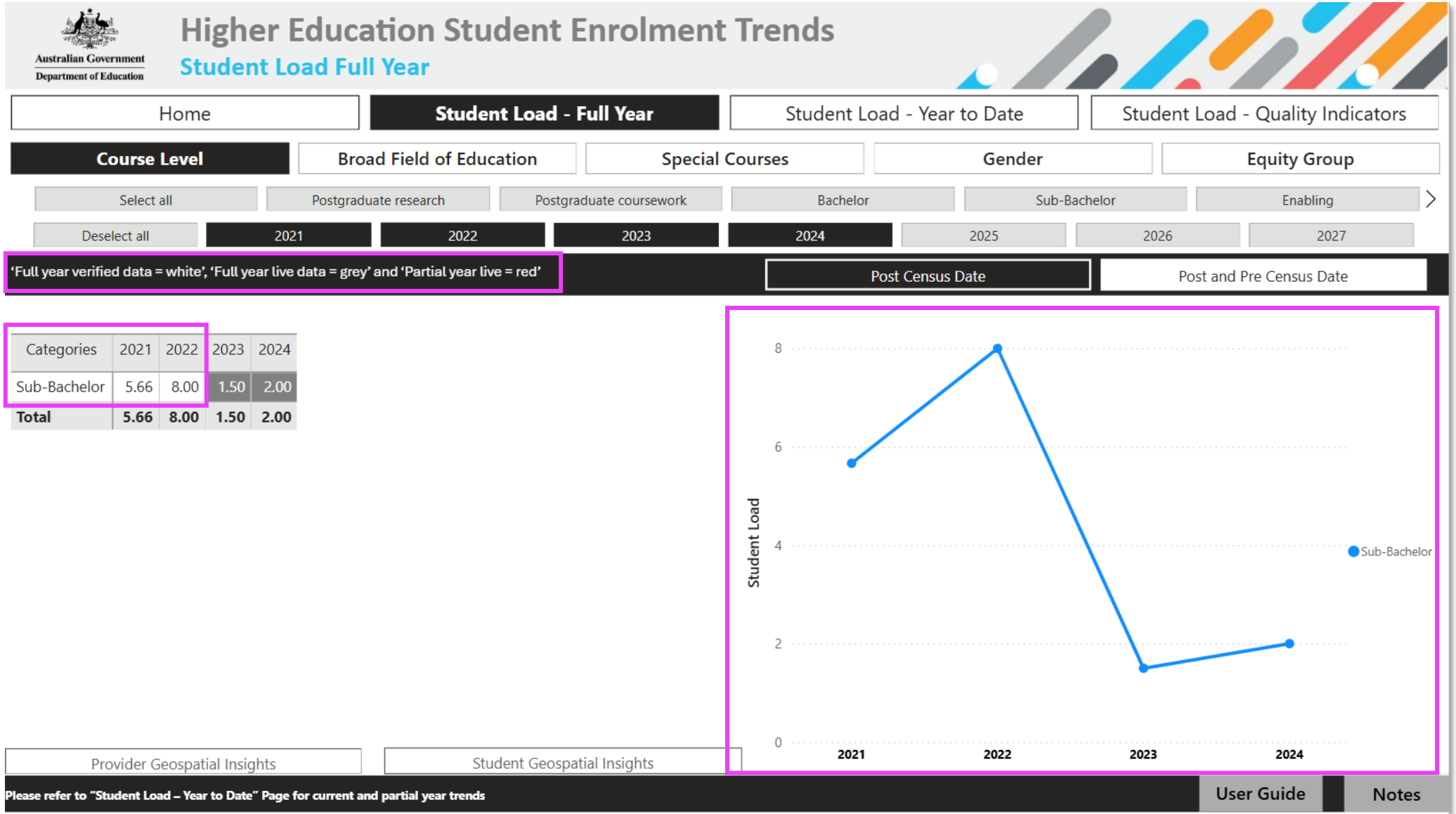
	Approved to offer HELP loans under HESA in the reporting year	Listed as a Table A or Table B university in HESA in the reporting year
Provider Information Request (PIR)	No	No
HESA-approved non-university providers (NUHEP)	Yes	No
University Higher Education provider (HEP)	Yes	Yes

Be mindful during verification

Priority fields - Resolve NULL values and scheduled validations

E584	Unique student identifier
E358	Citizen resident code
E490	Student status code
E315	Gender code
E316	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander code
E615	Disability code
	Residential address (all relevant elements)
E329	Mode of attendance code
E330	Type of attendance code

Expected trends dashboard



Key takeaways

Data checking:

- You must review and verify **ALL** verification reports before sign off

Useful Resources:

- Data Verification webpage
- **Updated** Data Verification User Guide – coming soon
- Expected trends dashboard
- 'Null Value Compliance Live data' report
- 'Provider Notifications - Scheduled validation error' report
- Previous years 'Verification data comparisons table'
  (via the TCSI Analytics portal)

Remember:

- Data needs to be accurate before signing off the Collection(s).
- No changes can be made after your verification reports are signed off and the Collections are finalised by the department.

Upcoming request for information

HEP Student verification - Request for Information (RFI)

- The RFI is designed to understand your submission and verification plans
- To confirm primary and secondary TCSI contacts for your student data collection and maintain our provider contact record
- RFI request will be sent in the first week of March seeking a single response for your organisation by 12 March 2026

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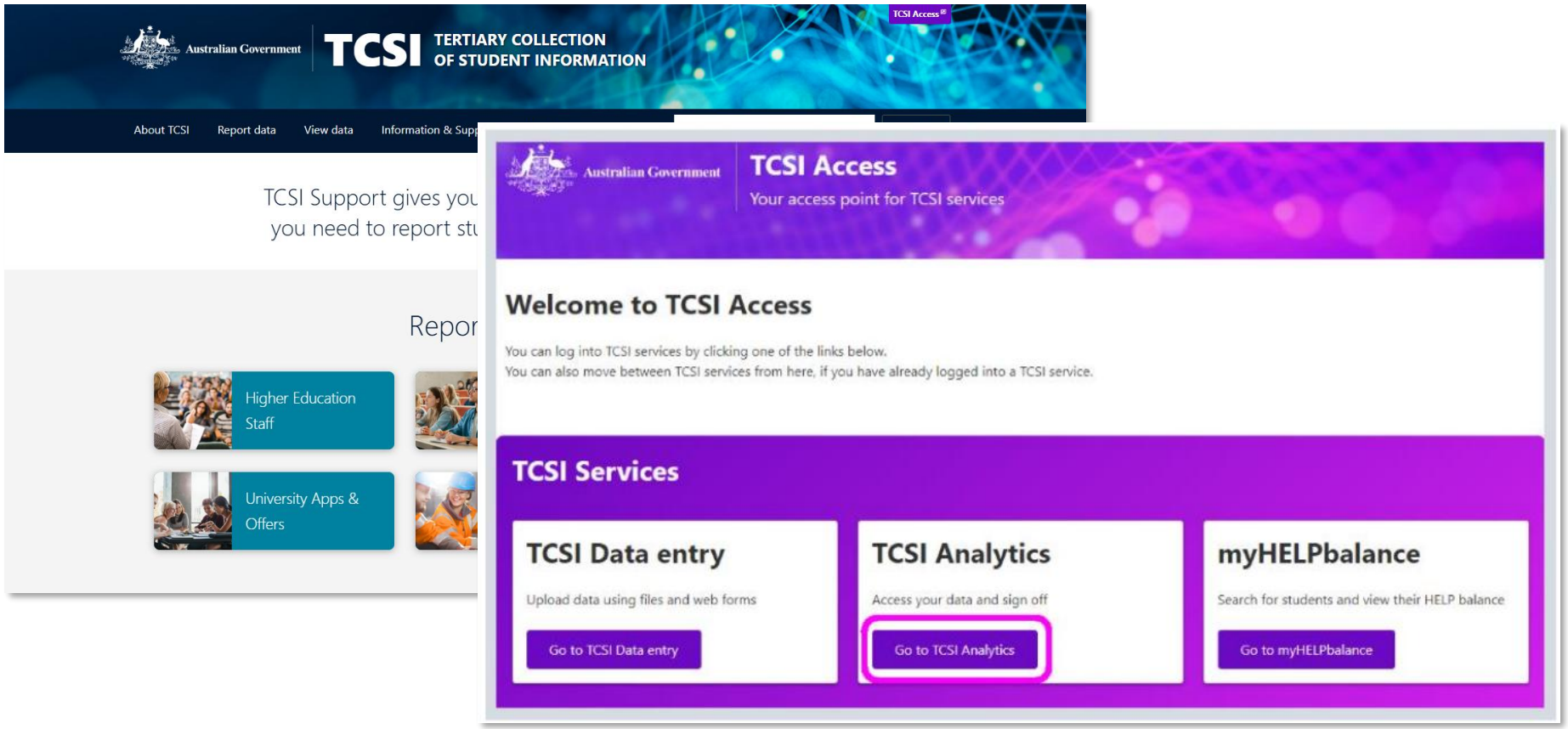

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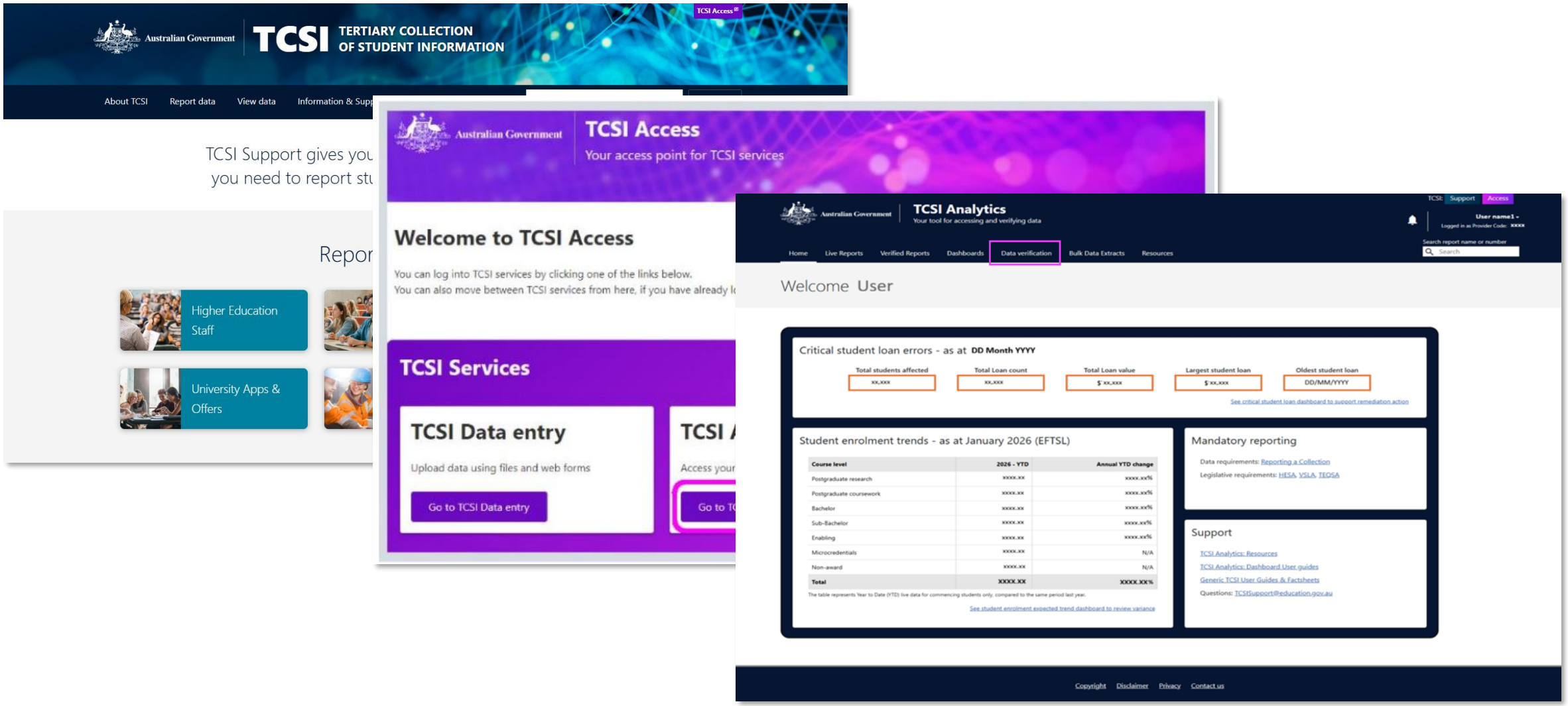

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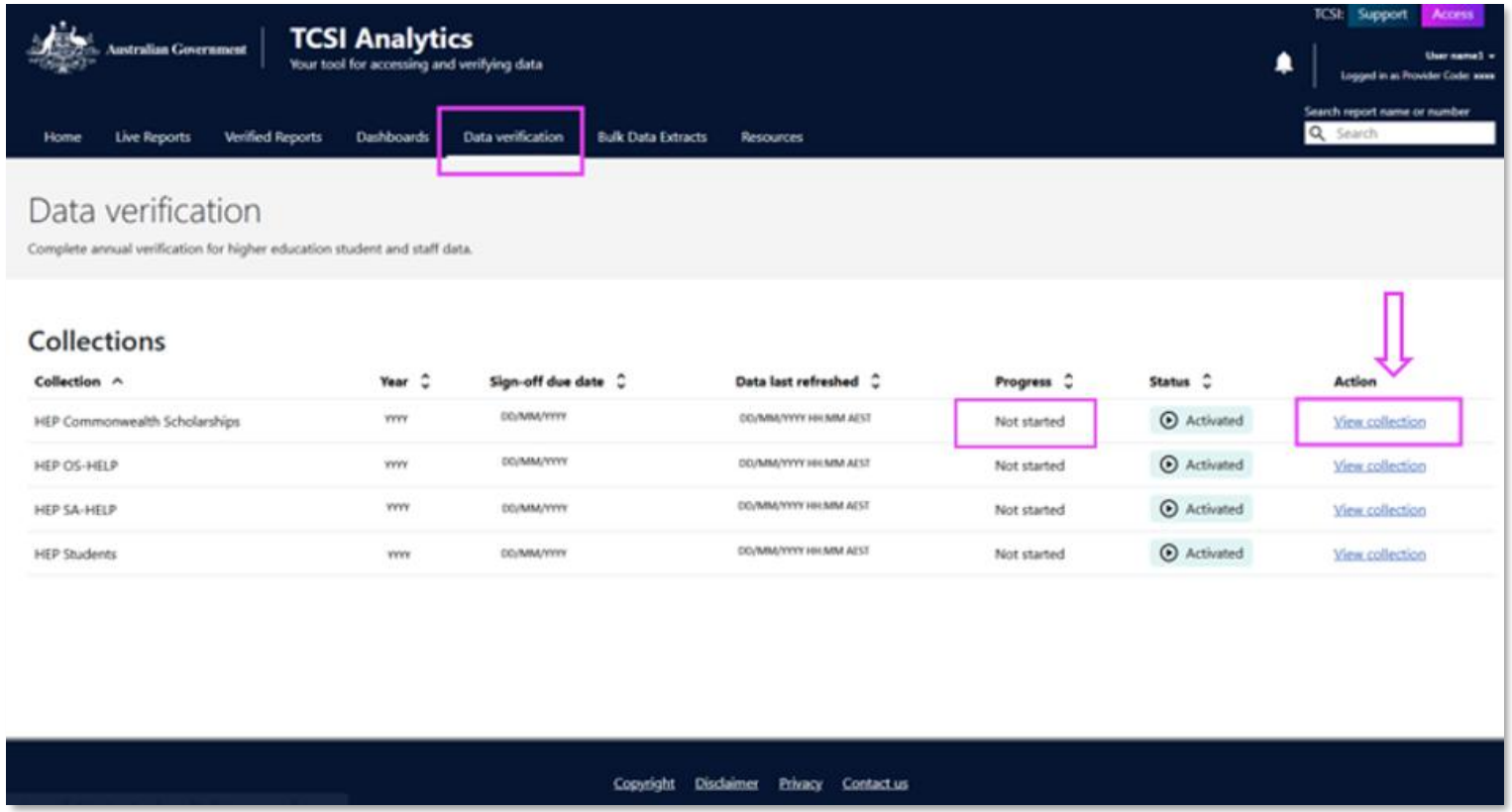

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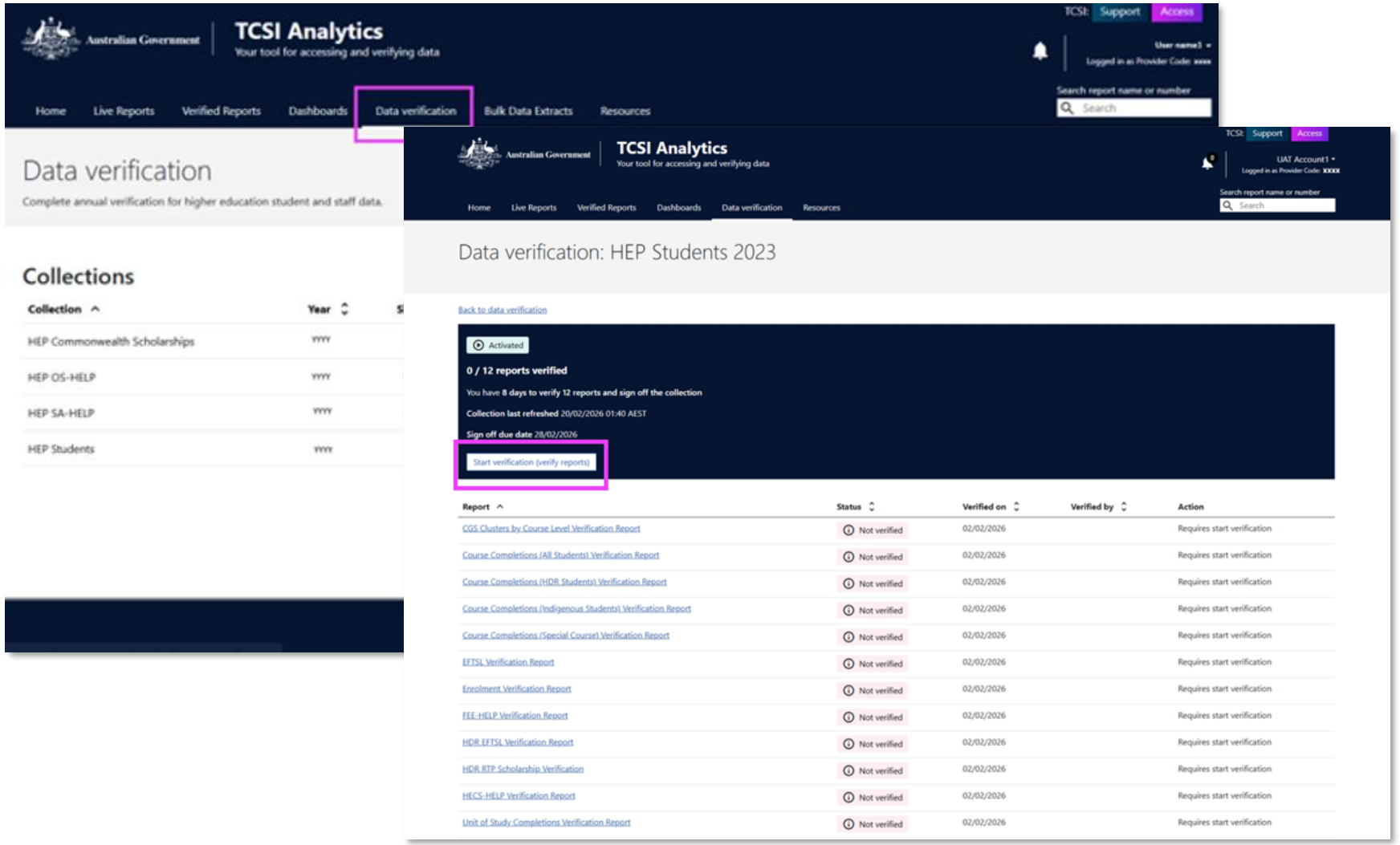

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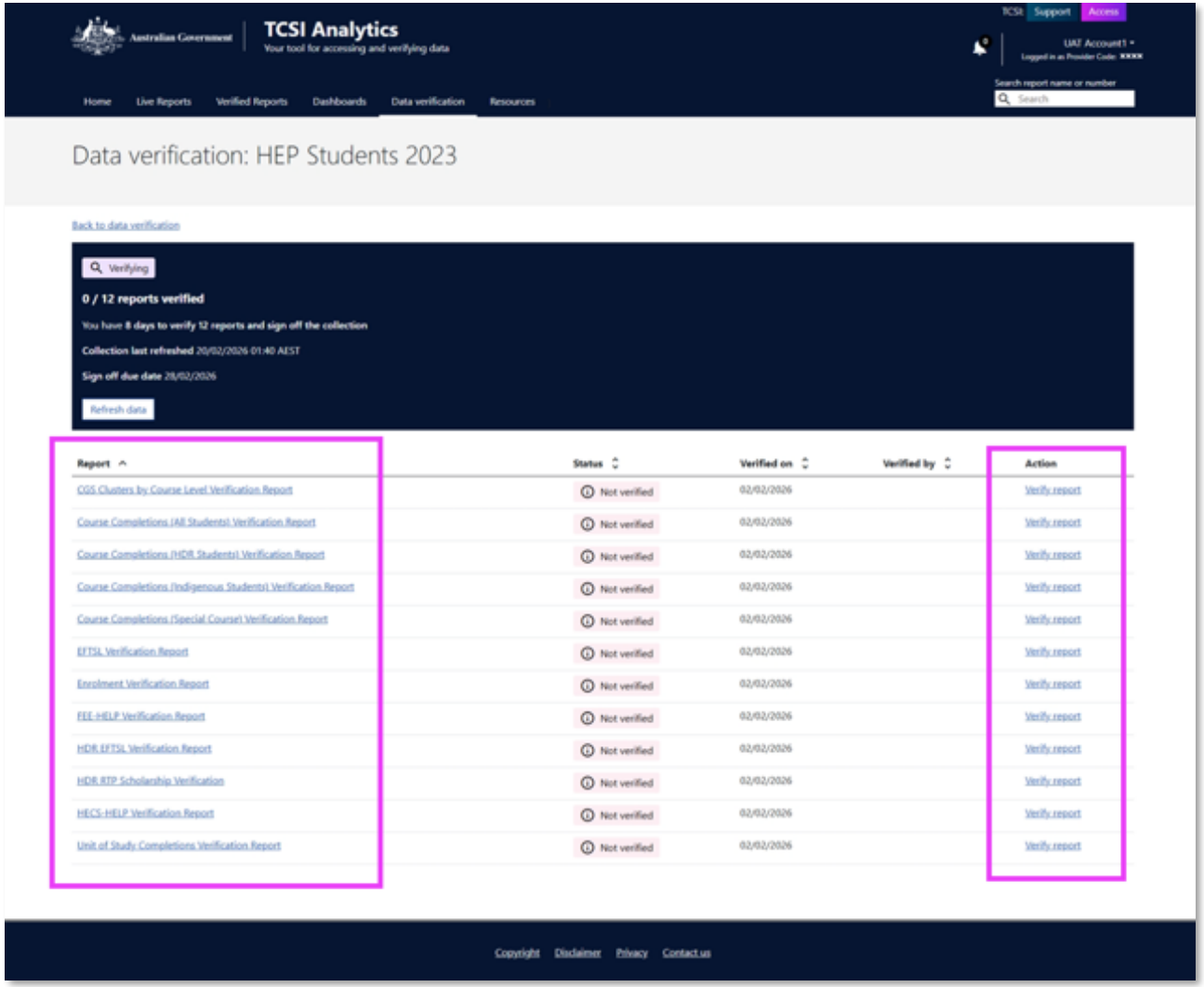
Verifying

- Status after the provider has selected the collection and clicks "Start verification"
- Providers verify by checking the accuracy of the data, one report at a time.



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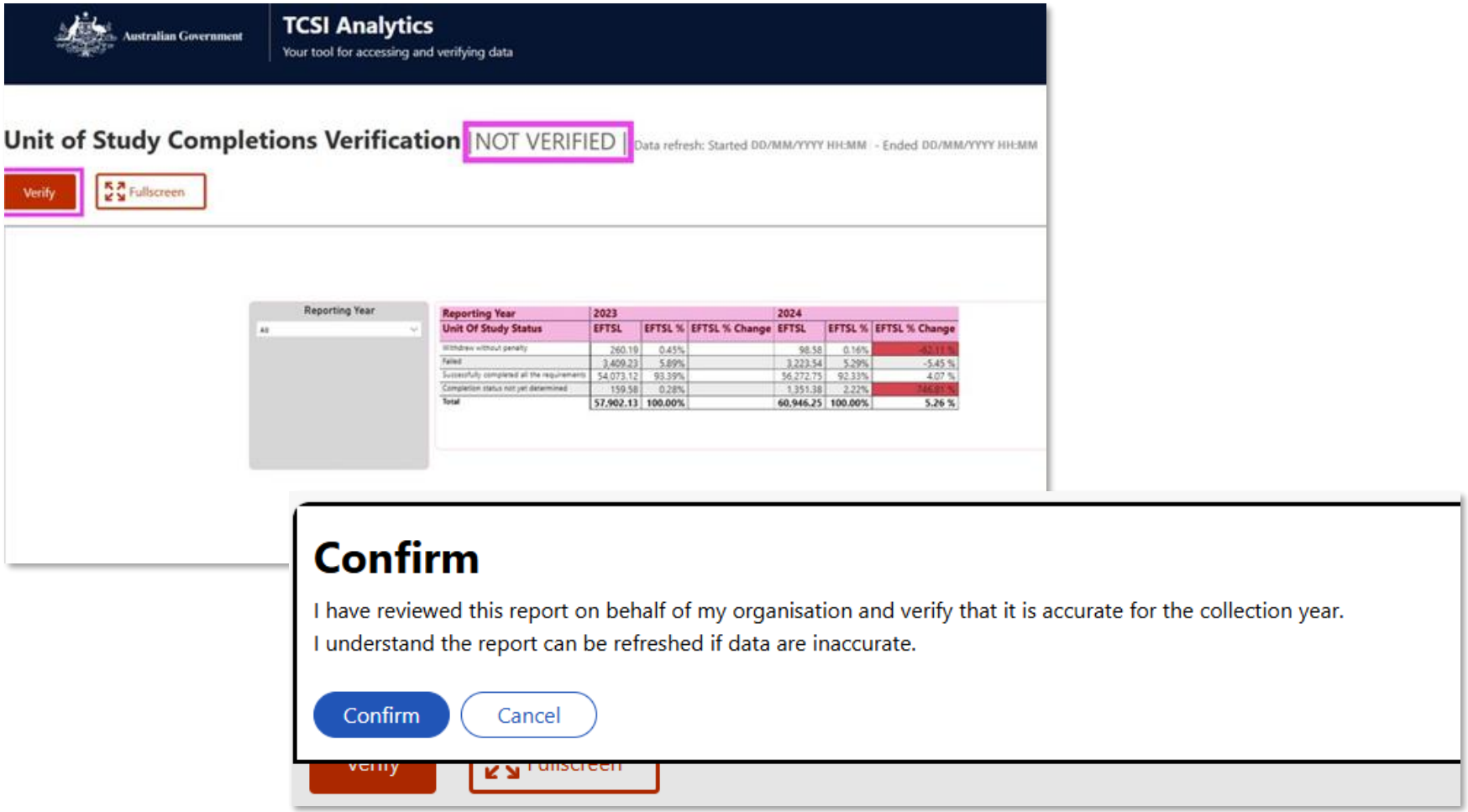

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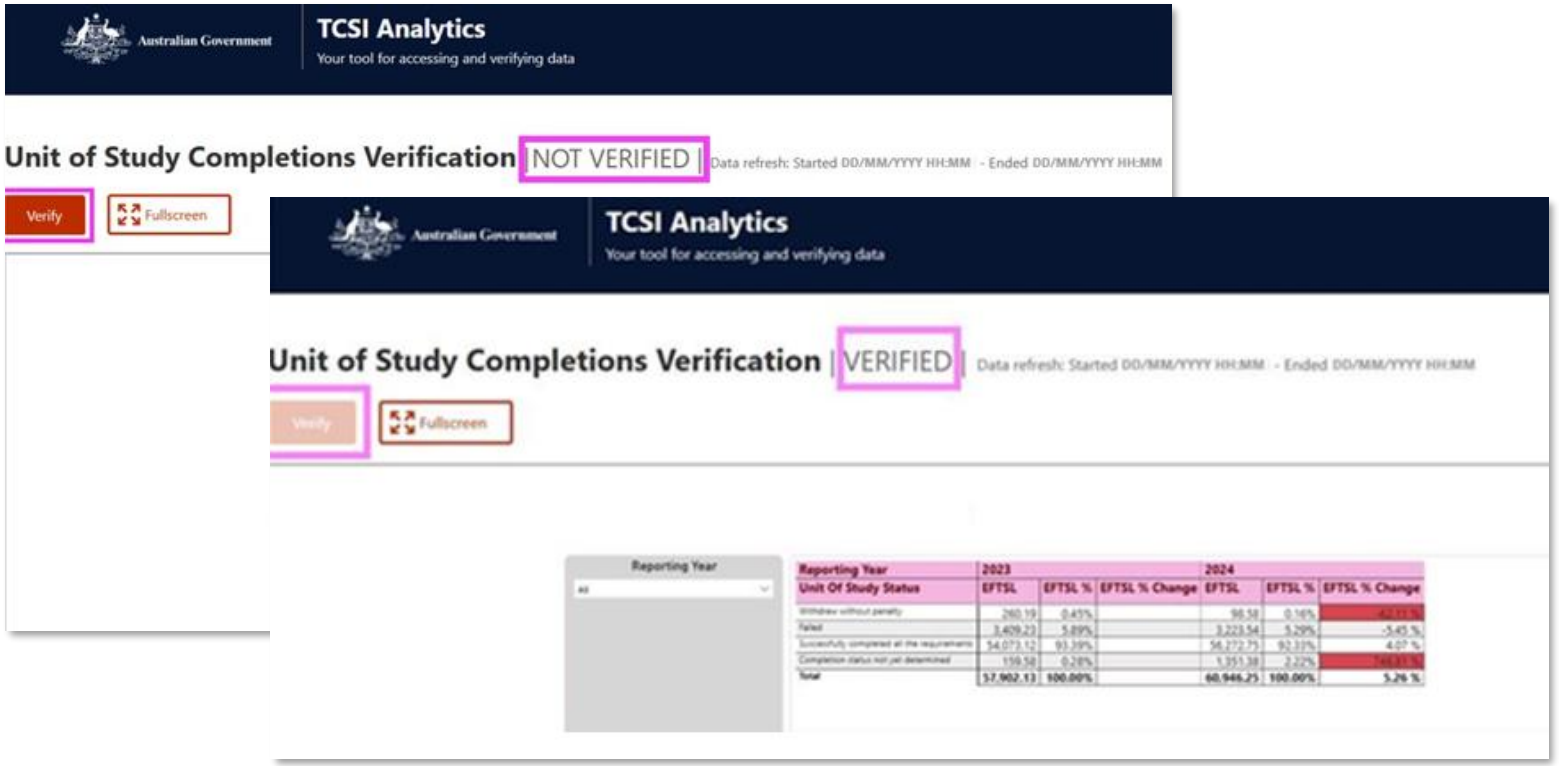

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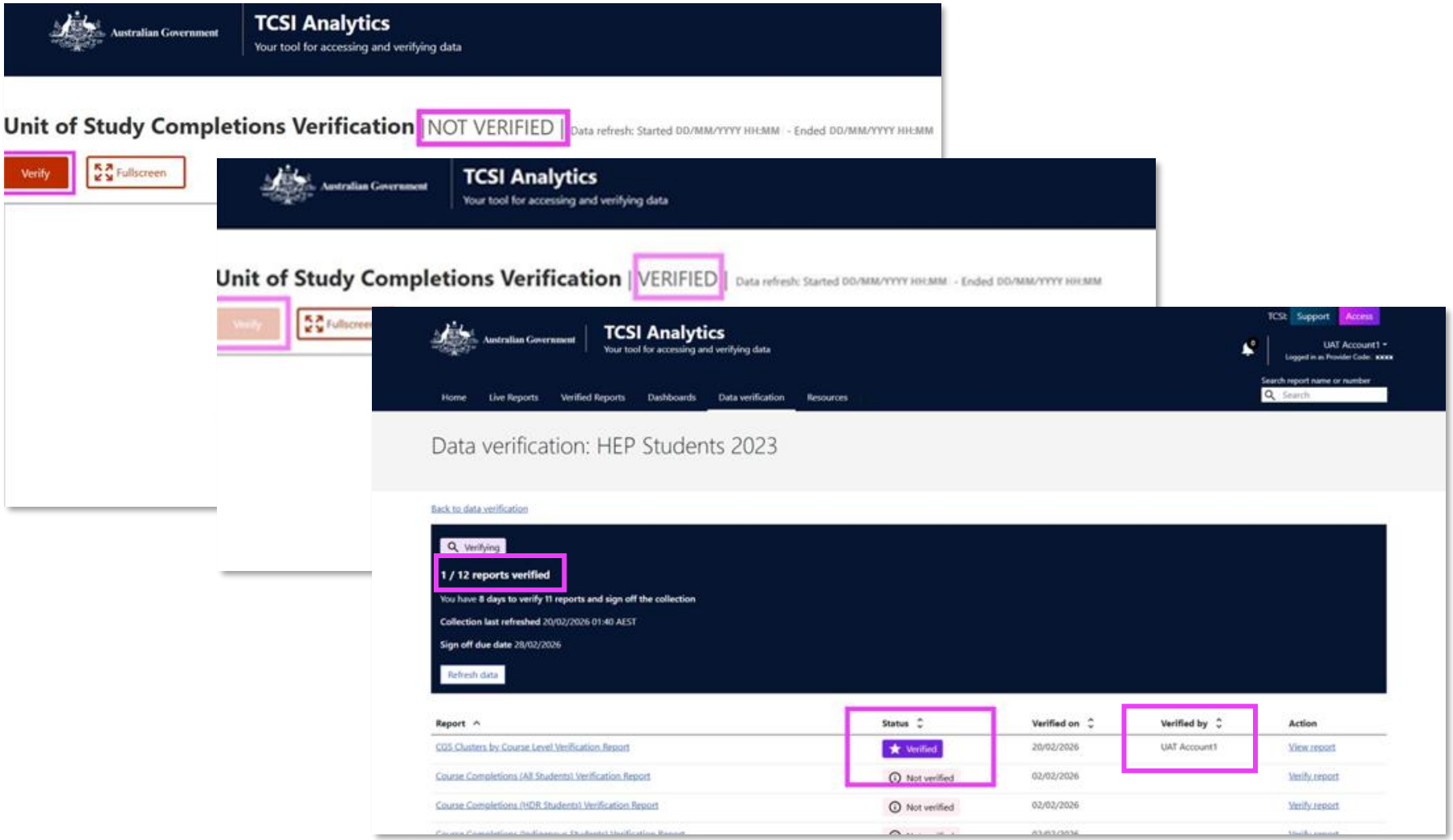

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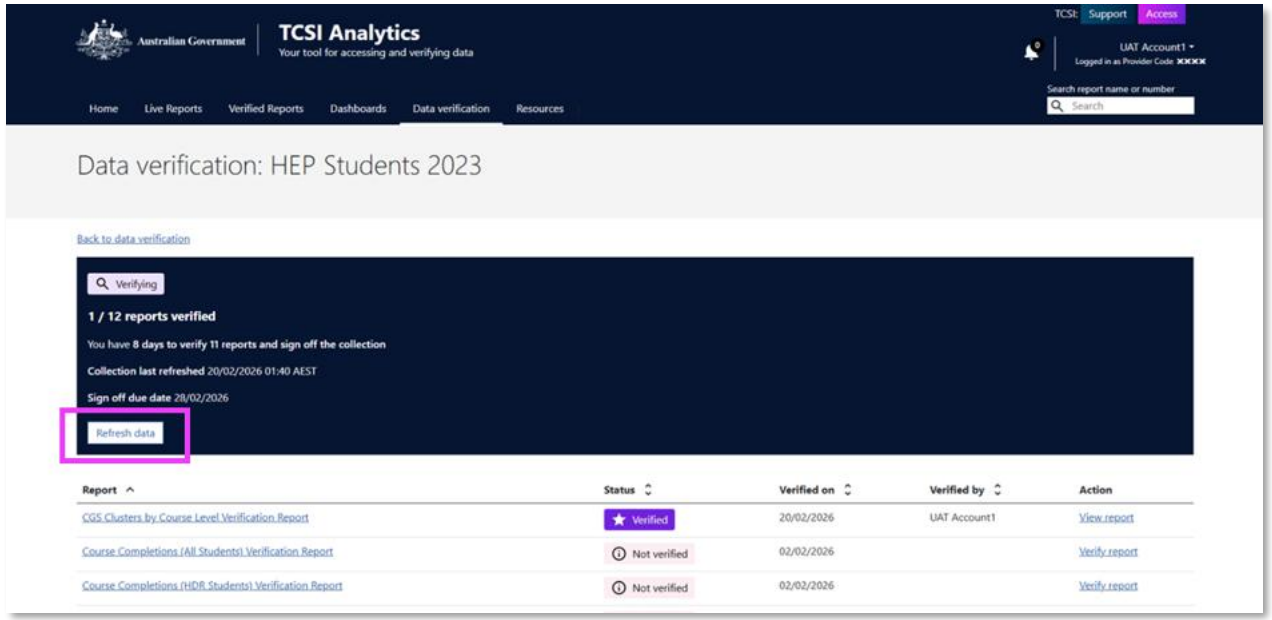

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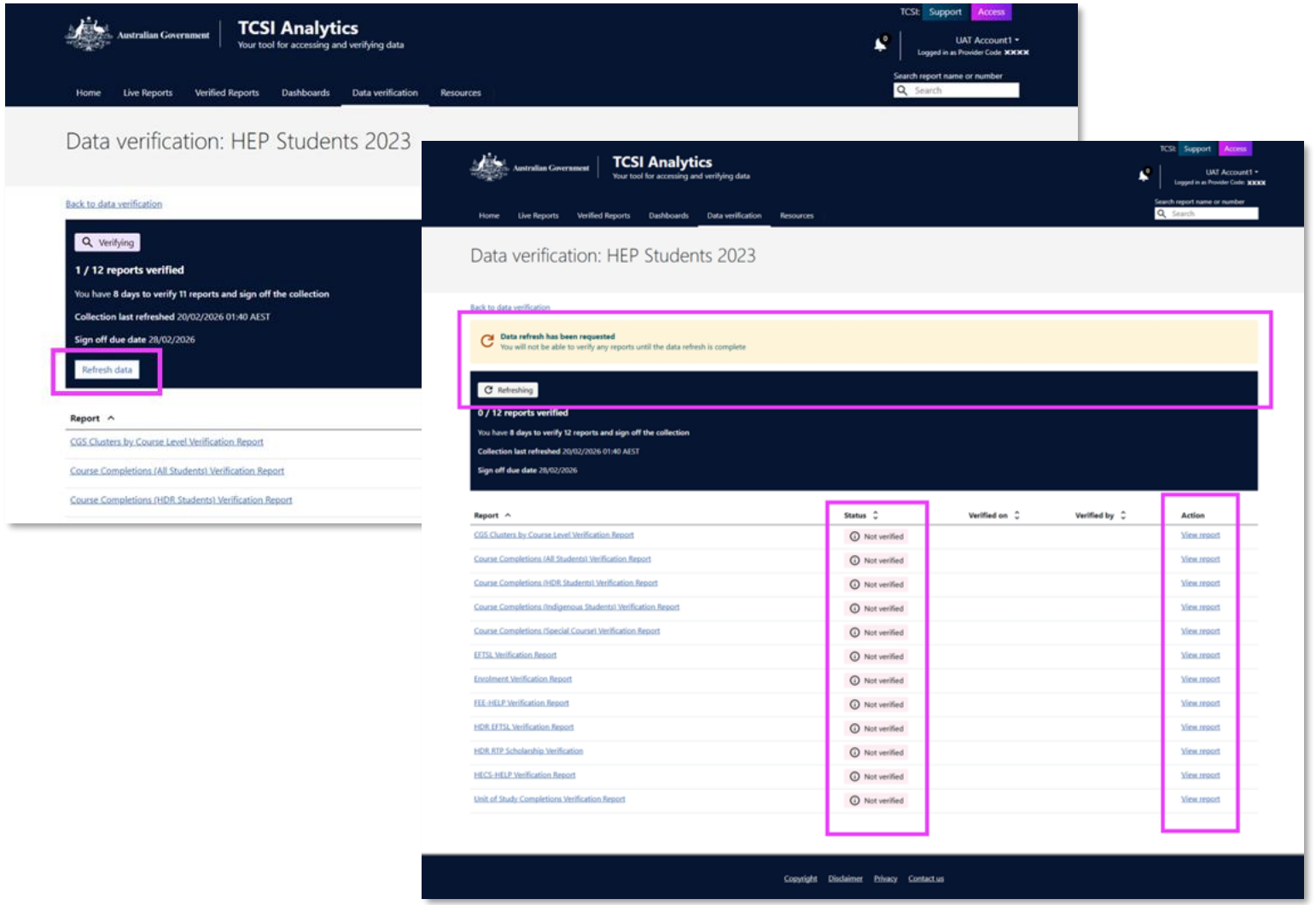

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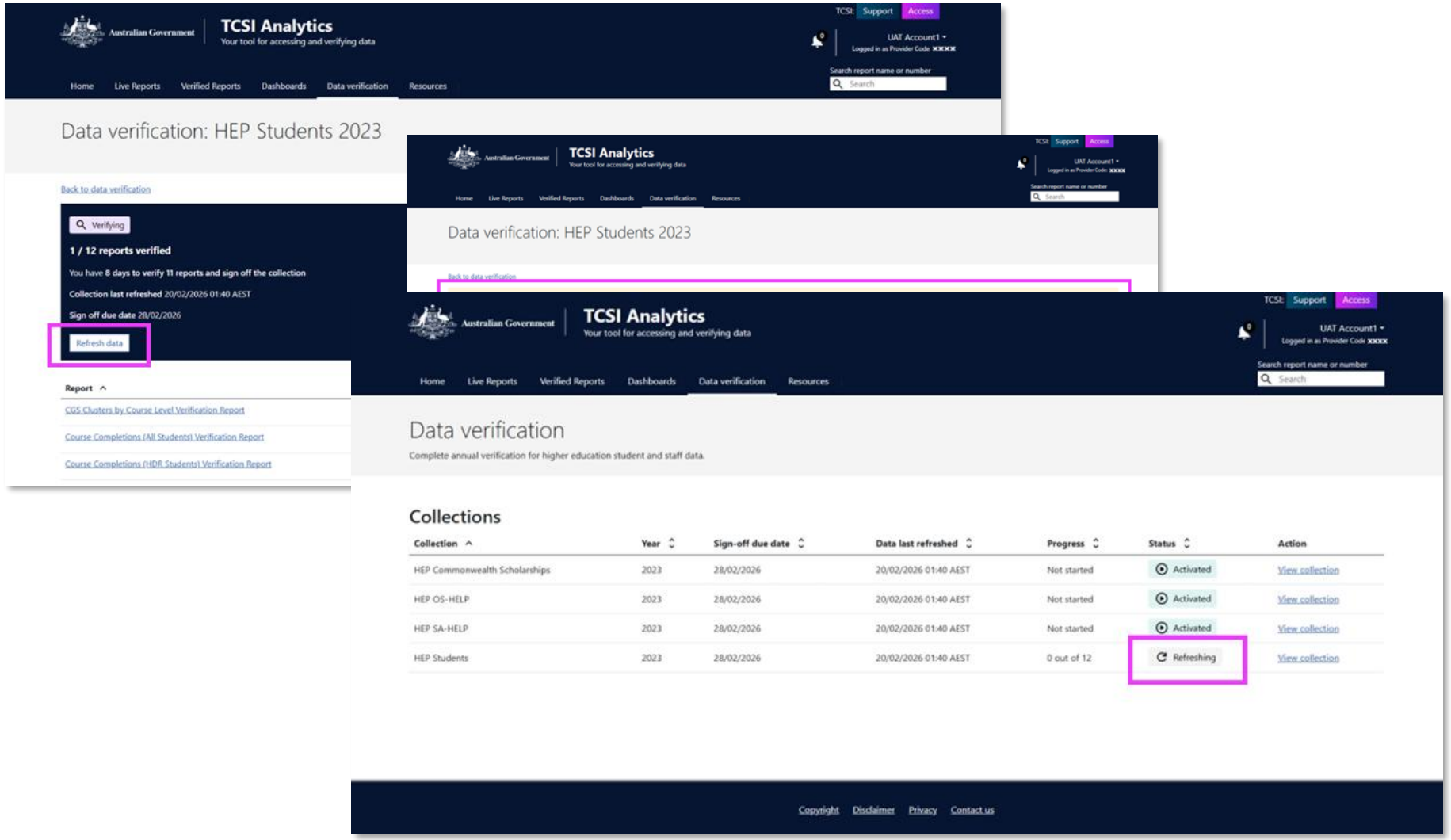

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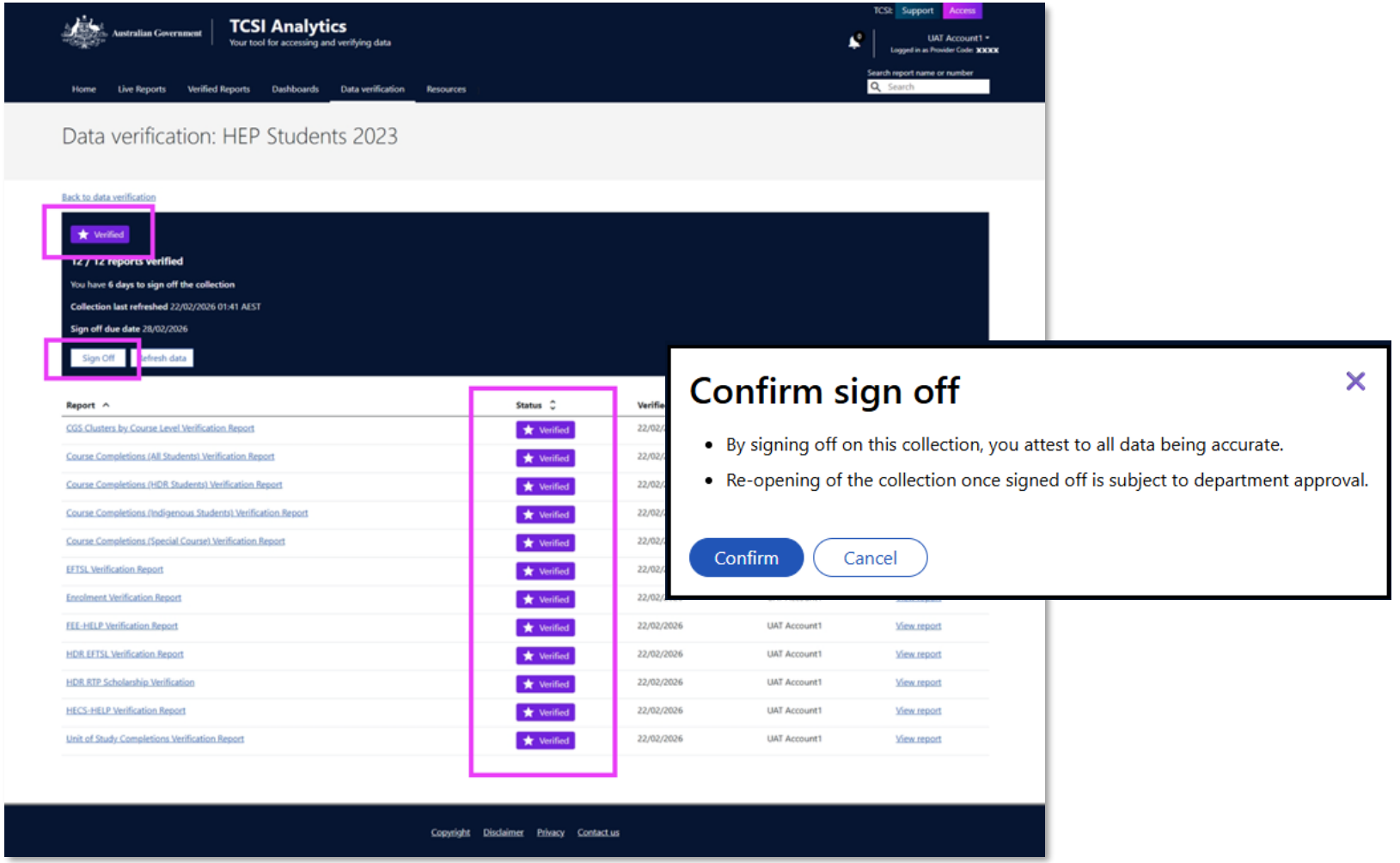

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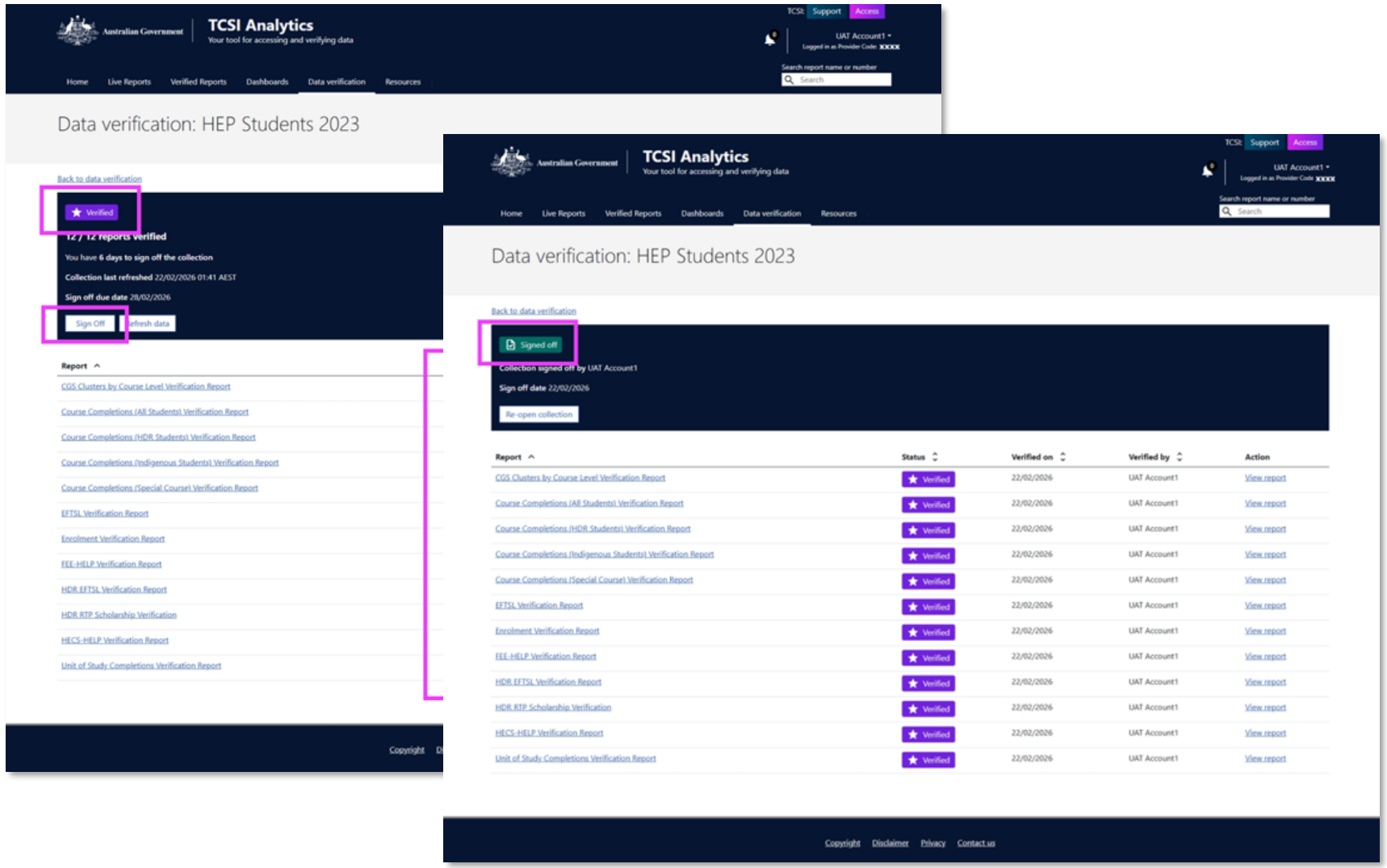

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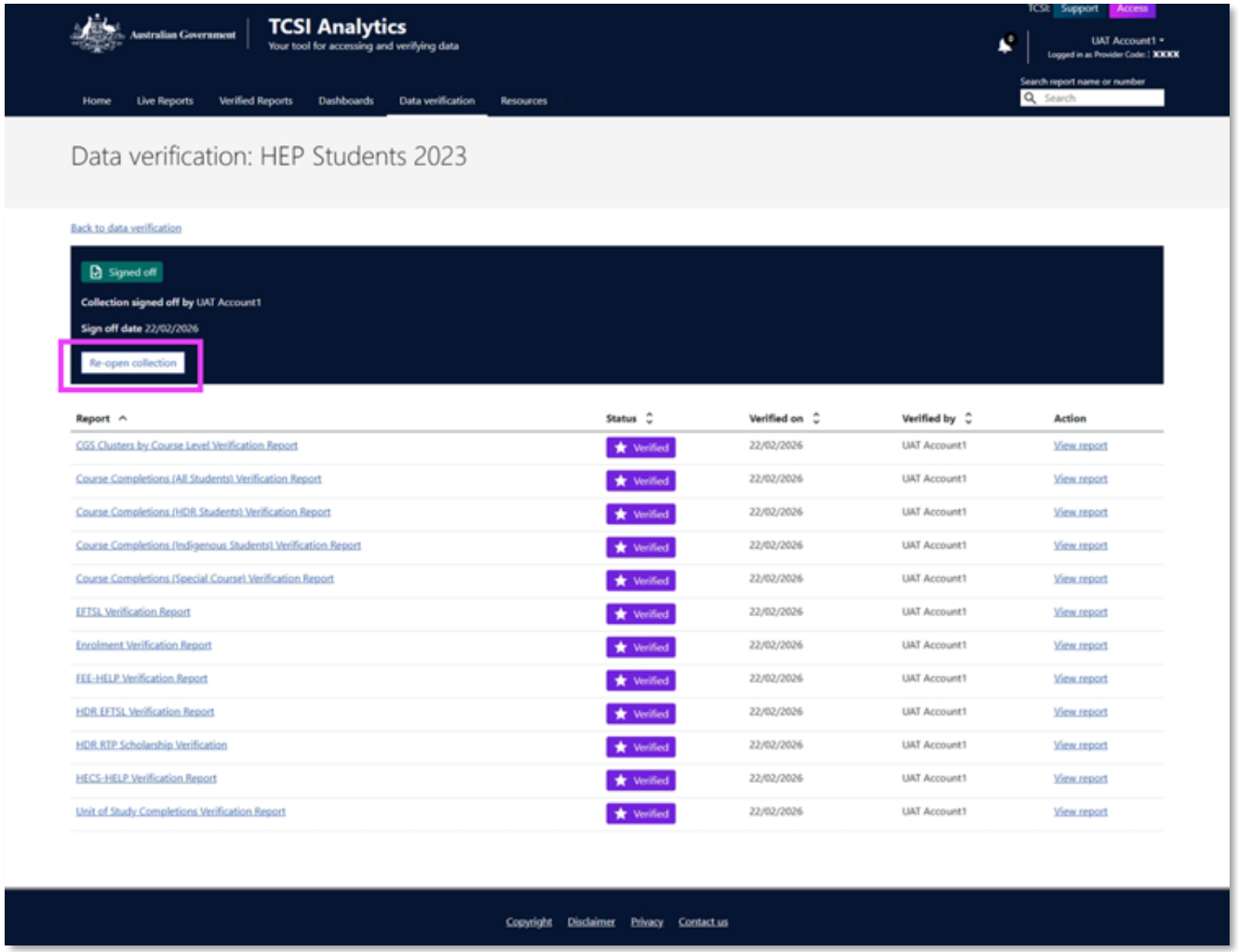
Re-Open

- **Re-Open**: updates the status after a sign off was performed in error. The status will return to **VERIFIED** if the department accepts the request.



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