

Oracle® Retail Item Planning

Release Notes

Release 13.3

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Oracle Retail Item Planning is part of an overall planning process that involves planning at multiple levels of the product hierarchy. The planning process is an ongoing process whereby the manner in which each step is completed affects the following step, and prior performance influences plans for future performance. Planning takes input from multiple parties, and good communication enhances the process so that it can help drive a financial roadmap for success. Multiple versions of the plan are created to benchmark success as well as provide insight to opportunities and risk for the in-season period.

Note: Because IP uses the Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server (RPAS) platform, Oracle Retail recommends that you review the *RPAS Release Notes* for fixed and known issues that may affect IP. In addition, RPAS 13.3 has significant technical enhancements related to hierarchy management (such as integer indexing) that have an effect on the configuration and maintenance of IP. You should closely review enhancements listed in the *RPAS Release Notes*.

Overview of the Fashion Planning Bundle

The Fashion Planning Bundle is the integration of Item Planning (IP), Item Planning configured for Clearance Optimization Engine (IP-COE), Assortment Planning (AP), Merchandise Financial Planning (MFP), and Size Profile Optimization (SPO) as a full-suite planning solution for fashion retailers.

Hardware and Software Requirements

See the *Oracle Retail Item Planning Installation Guide* for information about the following:

- Hardware and software requirements
- Oracle Retail application software compatibility information

Upgrade Note

While not directly related to Item Planning, the Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server (RPAS) has undergone a major change to simplify hierarchy administration. Full details of these changes are outlined in the *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Release Notes*. Due to these changes, configuration updates have been made to Item Planning, and you will need to perform additional steps to upgrade your Item Planning domain, such as setting

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dimension sizes. The upgrade to RPAS 13.3 for this application includes a conversion process in addition to the normal upgrade process. See the details provided in the "Patch Installation" chapter of the *Oracle Retail Item Planning Installation Guide* and the "Upgrading and Patching Domains" section of the *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Administration Guide for the Classic Client* or the *Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server Administration Guide for the Fusion Client*.

Noteworthy Defect Fix

The following noteworthy defect fix is included in IP 13.3:

| Fixed Issue/Defect | Defect Number |
|---|---------------|
| The COGS measures that were being passed to Item Planning were not being exported correctly. The interface did not have the correct COGS measures included. The interface (both Enabled ODI Integration and script based) has been updated to include the correct measures (BUOpCOGSC/BUOpCOGSC and BUCpCOGSC/BUCpCOGSC). | 10194113 |

Known Issues

The following table contains known issues that have been identified for the current release:

| Known Issue/Defect | Defect Number |
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| When using Enabled ODI Integration to transfer data from Assortment Planning to Item Planning, several measures may not be transferred and therefore may not be populated in Item Planning. In addition, several other measures may not match between the solutions after the transfer. | 10207439 |
| When using the installer in text mode and installing the Fusion Client configuration, stdout may be hidden during the installation progress output phase after reaching the [sshexec] step. The installer appears to fail to respond for a period of time, but returns to prompt upon completion. To see the full output of the installation process, view the installation log file. The graphical user interface (GUI) mode is not affected. | 12732394 |
| There are issues with measures not being populated after running flat file integration from Assortment Planning to Item Planning. This issue is within Assortment Planning and a fix is in development. | 13578617 |

Related Documentation

For more information, see the following documents in the Oracle Retail Item Planning documentation set:

- *Oracle Retail Item Planning Installation Guide*
- *Oracle Retail Item Planning Operations Guide*
- *Oracle Retail Item Planning User Guide for the RPAS Fusion Client*
- *Oracle Retail Item Planning User Guide for the RPAS Classic Client*

For more information about the Fashion Planning Bundle applications see the following documentation sets:

- Oracle Retail Item Planning Configured for COE documentation
- Oracle Retail Clearance Optimization Engine documentation
- Oracle Retail Assortment Planning documentation
- Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning documentation
- Oracle Retail Size Profile Optimization documentation

For more information about the RPAS Fusion Client, see the documents in the Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server documentation set.

For more information about RPAS and the ODI Enabled Integration, see the following documentation sets:

- Oracle Retail ODI Enabled Integration documentation
- Oracle Data Integrator documentation
- Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server documentation

Previous Releases

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