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New Fields in Error File
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This information is intended for the person in your organization who is responsible for working with NSLDS. If that person is not you, please forward this update to the appropriate person.

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In January 2003, NSLDS will add several data elements to the Error file. These new data elements are based on customer feedback, and will help guaranty agencies resolve errors. The new fields and their positions are:

- Supplemental Error Data (200-319)
- Date of Loan Status (320-327)
- Code for Servicer (328-333)
- Code for Current Holder Lender (334-339)
- Conflict Value (340-374)

The new data elements will all be placed in the Filler section of the current layout.

All the fields are copied from the input record with the exception of the Conflict Value and Supplemental Error Data. These fields are populated with the value in the NSLDS database or the submittal file that caused the error.

Please replace Table D-1, the Error Record table, in Appendix D of your *Guaranty Agency Data Provider Instructions* with the new table attached to this Technical Update.

We hope that this data will assist you in your efforts to resolve errors.

If you have any questions, please contact the NSLDS Customer Service Center at (800) 999-8219 or e-mail nsldscoe@raytheon.com.

Tables

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<tr><th>Field Name</th><th>Type</th><th>Size</th><th>Position</th><th>Copied from Input Record</th><th>Description</th></tr>
<tr><td>Code for Guaranty Agency</td><td>Numeric</td><td>3</td><td>1–3</td><td>Yes</td><td>Code identifying the guaranty agency.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Student's Social Security Number</td><td>Character</td><td>9</td><td>4–12</td><td>Yes</td><td>Social Security Number of a Title IV aid recipient.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Date of Student's Birth</td><td>Date</td><td>8</td><td>13–20</td><td>Yes</td><td>Birth Date of Title IV aid recipient.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Student's First Name</td><td>Character</td><td>12</td><td>21–32</td><td>Yes</td><td>First Name of a Title IV recipient.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Type of Loan</td><td>Character</td><td>2</td><td>33–34</td><td>Yes</td><td>Code indicating the type of loan.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Date of Guaranty</td><td>Date</td><td>8</td><td>35–42</td><td>Yes</td><td>Date when a loan was guaranteed.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Indicator of Separate Loan</td><td>Character</td><td>1</td><td>43</td><td>Yes</td><td>Code used when multiple loans have same loan identifiers.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Code for Original School</td><td>Numeric</td><td>8</td><td>44–51</td><td>Yes</td><td>An eight-digit code identifying the original school at which the student was enrolled or accepted for enrollment when the loan was made.</td></tr>
<tr><td>PLUS Borrower's Social Security Number</td><td>Character</td><td>9</td><td>52–60</td><td>Yes</td><td>Social Security Number of the PLUS borrower.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Record Type Indicator</td><td>Character</td><td>1</td><td>61</td><td>No</td><td>This field is set to 'E', which identifies this record as an Error, or 'F' if it is an SSN Conflict Error.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Action Code</td><td>Character</td><td>1</td><td>62</td><td>No</td><td>A space indicates a domain error. A '3' indicates a Load Process error.</td></tr>
<tr><td>New Student's Social Security Number</td><td>Character</td><td>9</td><td>63–71</td><td>Yes</td><td>New Social Security Number of a Title IV aid recipient.</td></tr>
<tr><td>New Date of Student's Birth</td><td>Date</td><td>8</td><td>72–79</td><td>Yes</td><td>New Date of Student's Birth when a Title IV aid recipient was born.</td></tr>
<tr><td>New Student's First Name</td><td>Character</td><td>12</td><td>80–91</td><td>Yes</td><td>First Student's First Name of a Title IV recipient.</td></tr>
<tr><td>New Type of Loan</td><td>Character</td><td>2</td><td>92–93</td><td>Yes</td><td>New code indicating the type of aid received.</td></tr>
<tr><td>New Date of Guaranty</td><td>Date</td><td>8</td><td>94–101</td><td>Yes</td><td>New date when a loan was guaranteed.</td></tr>
<tr><td>New Indicator of Separate Loan</td><td>Character</td><td>1</td><td>102</td><td>Yes</td><td>New code used when multiple loans have same loan identifiers.</td></tr>
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<tr><td>New PLUS Borrower's Social Security Number</td><td>Character</td><td>9</td><td>111–119</td><td>Yes</td><td>Social Security Number of the PLUS borrower.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Code for Field in Error</td><td>Numeric</td><td>3</td><td>120–122</td><td>No</td><td>A three-digit code associated with the name of the field where the error was found in the input record.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Value of Field in Error</td><td>Character</td><td>35</td><td>123–157</td><td>Yes</td><td>The actual value that appears in the field and has been determined to be in error.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Error Code</td><td>Numeric</td><td>4</td><td>158–161</td><td>No</td><td>A four-digit code for the error found in the input record.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Error Source Indicator</td><td>Character</td><td>1</td><td>162</td><td>No</td><td>This field indicates the error level (e.g., where in the process the error was detected). A space means it is a record-level error. Records with a record-level error are not checked for load-level errors. A '3' means it is a load-level error (e.g., data submitted is in conflict with data already in NSLDS).</td></tr>
<tr><td>Code for Loan Status</td><td>Character</td><td>2</td><td>163–164</td><td>Yes</td><td>Code representing the current loan status of a student's loan as found in the input record. It will show spaces for Past Period Change Record errors.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Student's Last Name</td><td>Character</td><td>35</td><td>165–199</td><td>Yes</td><td>Current Last Name of a Title IV aid recipient as found in the input record. It will show spaces for Past Period Change Record errors.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Supplemental Error Data   *</td><td>Character</td><td>120</td><td>200–319</td><td>No</td><td>Value(s) on the NSLDS database that caused the load-level error. This field is populated with the most current 3 preceding dates for date sequencing errors.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Date of Loan Status *</td><td>Date</td><td>8</td><td>320-327</td><td>Yes</td><td>Date when the current code for loan status became effective.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Code for Servicer   *</td><td>Numeric</td><td>6</td><td>328-333</td><td>Yes</td><td>Code for current Lender Servicer of and FFELP loan, if there is one.</td></tr>
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Field Name	**Type**	**Size**	**Position**	**Copied from Input Record**	**Description**
Code for Current * Holder Lender	Numeric	6	334-339	Yes	ED code indicating current holder of an FFELP loan or (if a claim has been paid) the lender who submitted the claim.
Conflict Value *	Character	35	340-374	No	The value(s) are preceded by (000) for load-level errors and the field code of the conflicting value for record level errors.
Filler	Character	245	375–619	No	Blank field.
Data Provider Loan Identifier	Character	21	620–640	Yes	Your unique loan identifier as found in the input record.

* Indicates new fields.