Getting started with Trace

Step One

Do you use Xero as your accounting software?

If so, then you can integrate your Xero account to provide spend data to cover GHG emissions from your purchased goods and services, and business travel.

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Connect an accounting platform 2 mins	
Streamline your data collection by connecting your accounting software to Trace.	~
Why connect an accounting platform?	
Connecting your accounting software will provide a more complete depiction of your emissions and help us cover emissions from your purchased ge services.	oods and
How do I connect an accounting platform?	
· If you have authorisation for your organisation's Xero account, you'll be taken to your Xero login to connect with Trace.	
 If you don't have authorisation for your organisation's Xero account, you'll be able to invite your accounting contact to authorise for you. 	
What data will Trace access?	
Trace will only integrate expenses . We won't see any revenue, payroll (salary/super) or personal information.	
What if we don't use Xero?	
You can upload your accounting data via CSV at Step 4 - Map your spend data.	

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If not, that's totally ok!

Instead, please use our CSV upload feature to get your spend data into the app (this happens in Step Four). For the best results, please provide your expenses at the supplier level.

Further to the attached CSV template (in the email), here are some helpful tips:

A list of expected emissions sources from purchased goods and services/business travel:

- Business travel (flights, accommodation, car hire, taxi, public transport)
- Professional services (e.g. recruitment, consulting, legal, engineering etc)
- Food and beverages
- Repairs and maintenance
- Building services such as cleaning
- Banking and financial services
- Marketing and advertising
- Office equipment and supplies

- ICT services and equipment (incl cloud services)
- Entertainment
- Products and materials
- Postage, courier and freight
- Clothing/uniforms
- Printing and publishing
- Contractors/labourers (not included in staff headcount on the location tab)

Formatting requirements for the CSV:

- Dates must be formatted as DD/MM/YYYY or YYYY/MM/DD
- Costs must be formatted as numbers, not currency (i.e. no commas)
- Each column must contain data, with no data gaps in the rows
- No additional data that the template doesn't specify

Step Two

Select your measurement period by choosing the last date of the 12-month period you wish to cover for your carbon assessment.

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Approximate dates are ok.	^	
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Define Period		

Step Three

Share your staff survey with the team, OR request more information if you'd like to add this to your plan

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 Define a measurement period 2 mins 		
Select the 12 month period you'll be measuring emissions for.		`
Share your employee engagement survey 2 mins		
Involve your employees in the journey and measure their work-related emission	ns by sharing your survey.	/

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Step Four

Add your Xero account as a data source, or upload your CSV data if you don't use Xero.

You will then need to "Map your Spend Data" to our emissions categories using the dropdown menus provided.

Once you click in to map your spend data, there is a short demo video available under "Helpful Tips". This exercise will cover the emissions from your **purchased goods and services**, as well as **business travel** if you don't have activity data for that.

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Step Five

Once your spend data has been mapped, close that screen and click through to "Add your Activity Data".

Activity data (L, kWh, km etc) will cover emissions from your office **utilities** and **WFH energy** (on the Location tab), **employee commute** (on the Commute tab), **business travel*** (on the Travel tab), **fuel use** in company vehicles (on the Fuel tab) and **office waste** (on the Waste tab).

*Please provide **either** activity data or spend data for business travel, not both.

Step Six

Just kidding, there is no step six - you're done! Congratulations 🥳 - feel free to do a little victory dance before hitting **submit!**

Someone from our team will review your data and reach out with information on how to view your measurement breakdown, kickstart your decarbonisation plan, share your journey, and even offset your footprint if that's something you're interested in doing.