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Status
   ⊗ Closed

Subject
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Version
   25.x
   26.x (future, currently trunk)

Category
   - Consistency

Feature
   Stats
   UI / UX (User interface and experience)

Resolution status
   New

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Keep informed
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Rating
   ★★✦✦★★★★✦✦★★★★✦✦★★★★✦✦★★★★✦✦★★★★✦✦★★ (0) **❓**

Description
   On Tiki as long as the feature "Stats" (tiki-admin.php?page=stats&highlight=feature_stats) is not enabled (it is disabled by default) hits on pages are not counted.

   However, even the feature is disabled there is a "hit" column displayed at http://bsfez-11581-8115.show2.tikiwiki.org/tiki-listpages.php (and certainly other places). It will be populated with a lot of 0 for Tikis that will never use or needs stats.

Solution
   Visibility of the Hits column on tiki-listpages.php:
   The "Hits" column visibility should be dependent on the Stats feature.
   If Stats is enabled, then display the column.

If Stats is disabled, then hide the column.

Suggested solution details :
Help message about how to display the Hits column:
It's crowded at the top of the page and it would be irritating to have a remarksbox there all the time if you don't want to turn on stats, so maybe the text (only text — no remarksbox — should be below the table, inline with the checkbox action selector, following it on the right.

The checkbox action selector is now in a div class="input-group col-sm-8" so there's col-sm-4 of space available to the right side. I'd say make that a grid div class="col-sm-4" and put a div class="form-text" in it that displays the text when the stats feature is off.

Maybe both col divs should be in a div class="row".

I'd put an icon-information first and then text like 'To record page hits and display them in this list, enable the "Stats" feature.' "Stats" would have a tiki-admin_general.php?page=features IRL or whatever is the link best to use, so the admin user can navigate to the page to activate the Stats feature.

When the Stats feature is activated, the message doesn't need to be displayed, so its visibility is the opposite of the Hits column's.

Importance
    5
Easy to solve?
    5
Priority
    25
Demonstrate Bug (Tiki 19+)
    This bug has been demonstrated on show2.tiki.org

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Comments

Gary Cunningham-Lee 06 Mar 22 13:50 GMT-0000

Related bug report:
https://dev.tiki.org/item8114-List-Pages-should-have-a-notice-that-Stats-needs-to-be-activated-for-page-hits-to-be-recorded-and-displayed

Gary Cunningham-Lee 06 Mar 22 15:55 GMT-0000

I suggest adding a help text on tiki-listpages.php (above or below the table) when stats is off saying something like 'To record page hits and display them here, enable the "Stats" feature.'

Bernard Sfez / Tiki Specialist 07 Mar 22 06:51 GMT-0000

You mean keep the "hit" column (with the empty 0 everywhere and taking space) even if not used but adding a help text ?
Or ... ?

Gary Cunningham-Lee 07 Mar 22 08:34 GMT-0000

No, I agree the column of zeros is bad. What I'm saying is that there should be a help block when stats is turned off (and the hits column isn't displaying) to inform new admins, or old ones that forgot (like me), that page hits will be recorded and displayed by turning on the stats feature.

Bernard Sfez / Tiki Specialist 07 Mar 22 08:50 GMT-0000

@chibaguy, oh I understand now.

We need to be precise for the task solution to be implemented by our junior devs. ;-)

Where do you think it should be placed ?
Should it be a remarksbox or you suggest something else. (? icon, ...)

Gary Cunningham-Lee 07 Mar 22 09:28 GMT-0000

It's crowded at the top of the page and it would be irritating to have a remarksbox there all the time if you don't want to turn on stats, so maybe below the table, inline with the checkbox action selector, following it on the right (or in Tiki 25 terms, at the end). The selector is now in a div class="input-group col-sm-8" so there's col-sm-4 of space available to the side. I'd say make that grid div and put a div class="form-text" in it that displays when the stats feature is off. Maye both col divs should be in a div class="row". I'd put an icon-information first and then text like 'To record page hits and display them in this list, enable the "Stats" feature.' "Stats" would have a tiki-admin_general.php?page=features IRL or whatever is the link best to use.

Bernard Sfez / Tiki Specialist>Gary Cunningham-Lee 07 Mar 22 14:10 GMT-0000

Replied to It's crowded... Gary Cunningham-Lee, please add your part of solution in the... solution field, thanks.

Gary Cunningham-Lee>Bernard Sfez / Tiki Specialist 07 Mar 22 16:33 GMT-0000

Replied to @chibaguy,... Done.

hman 07 Mar 22 16:35 GMT-0000

IMHO the hits column should only be omitted if the feature is disabled AND there are no hits previously recorded. If there are some, they should IMHO be displayed, possibly followed by a an asterisk that is being explained as "currently the feature is disabled".

Bernard Sfez / Tiki Specialist 08 Mar 22 06:56 GMT-0000

... I though it was a good idea but then re-thought.

If the stats feature is disable obviously, the user don't want Tiki stats.
Why then display the "hits" column ? A yes/no will be simpler to handle (and logical) than to add another edge cases solution like a new preference or a new option.

And what if I enabled the stats feature for a short time (to test and see what it does like 99% Tiki new admin do) ?
But then I disable the stats feature. (I have 2 or 3 pages with hits)

Why should the user be forced (no control) to see dozens or hundred of pages with 0 hit (and a column taking space) just because he had 2 or 3 pages with "hits" generated by a feature he don't want to use ?

We could make it optional, OR separate the hits function from the Tiki stats but it will require new preference, wording, code, etc...
Isn't it one of those edge cases solution we should trying to avoid (and get rid of) Tiki in general ?

Elvis ANSIMA 30 May 22 12:41 GMT-0000

Fixed!
https://gitlab.com/tikiwiki/tiki/-/merge_requests/1455

Attachments

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The original document is available at
https://dev.tiki.org/item8115-On-tiki-listpages-php-there-should-be-no-Hits-column-if-the-Stats-feature-is-disabled