

# Package: foghorn (via r-universe)

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check_cran_results	<i>Deprecated functions</i>
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**Description**

Deprecated functions provided for back compatibility.

**Usage**

check\_cran\_results(...)

**Arguments**

... see documentation for cran\_results and summary\_cran\_details

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cran_details	<i>Get details about the CRAN check results for packages</i>
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**Description**

Given the names of packages published on CRAN, return the output of checks that return notes, warnings or errors.

**Usage**

```
cran_details(pkg, src = c("website", "crandb"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'cran_details'
summary(object, show_log = TRUE, print_ok = TRUE, ...)

summary_cran_details(
  pkg,
  src = c("website", "crandb"),
  show_log = TRUE,
  print_ok = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

<code>pkg</code>	character vector of the names for the packages on CRAN
<code>src</code>	if "website" the data is scrapped from the CRAN website, if "crandb" the data is downloaded from a RDS file hosted on the CRAN servers (which is used to generate the information found on the CRAN website).
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to control where the data from the check results are coming from and how they are downloaded from the CRAN servers (see Details section).
<code>object</code>	an object created by <code>cran_details</code>
<code>show_log</code>	Should the messages of the "Check Details" be printed? (logical)
<code>print_ok</code>	if TRUE the summary method will print a "all clear" message for package(s) that have an OK status for all CRAN checks.

## Details

Where does the data come from?

The data comes from the CRAN servers. They generate RDS files that contains information regarding the results of the checks for all the packages, and all the flavors. This data is then used to generate the web pages.

foghorn provides access to either of these data sources. If you choose `src = "website"` the data is scrapped from the CRAN website. If you only need to check a few packages, this is a good option. If you choose `src = "crandb"` the RDS files (about 20Mb) are downloaded first from the CRAN servers.

The option `max_requests` can be used to limit how many pages will be scrapped from the CRAN website. The default is set to 50, use `Inf` to ignore this check. Consider using `src = "crandb"` if you need to get data from many packages or maintainers. Note that this an approximation of the number of requests that will be performed and there will be situations where more requests than this limit will be performed to retrieve the results.

The `deadline` column contains the date set by CRAN to fix issues with the CRAN checks before the package gets archived. If the existence of a deadline has been checked but no date has been set by the CRAN Maintainers, the `deadline` column for the package will be set to `""`. If there is a deadline, the content will be a date stored as character.

The value of the argument `show` can be set using the local option `foghorn_columns`.

When choosing `src = "crandb"` you can also specify the following options:

- `dest`: a folder where to store the RDS files (`tempdir()` by default).
- `protocol`: either `https` or `http`.
- `overwrite`: when `FALSE` (default), if the file exists in `dest` then it will not be downloaded again. When `TRUE` the file gets downloaded every time it's needed.

## Value

a tibble listing the names of the packages that have non- OK check results, the nature of the result (WARN, ERROR, FAIL, NOTE, or other issues).

**See Also**

Note that the `tools` package contains unexported functions that can be used to extract summary information from the check results. Specifically `tools:::sumarize_CRAN_check_status` is similar to `show_cran_results`.

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cran_incoming	<i>List packages in CRAN incoming queue.</i>
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**Description**

Check where your package stands in the CRAN incoming queue.

**Usage**

```
cran_incoming(
  pkg = NULL,
  folders = cran_incoming_folders(),
  sort_by_date = TRUE
)

cran_incoming_folders(include_archive = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>pkg</code>	Optionally provide a vector of package names to limit the results to these packages.
<code>folders</code>	Which folders of the CRAN queue do you want to inspect? Default: all the non-human folders.
<code>sort_by_date</code>	when TRUE (default), the output is sorted in decreasing order according to the submission time.
<code>include_archive</code>	when TRUE, the function <code>cran_incoming_folders()</code> also returns the archive folder.

**Details**

When submitting a package to CRAN, it undergoes a series of checks before it is published and publicly available. `cran_incoming()` allows you to check the packages that are currently in the queue, and the folder where they are located. This information could help you track your package submission. Only the following folders are considered (approximately in order of the CRAN queue sequence): `newbies`, `inspect`, `pretest`, `recheck`, `pending`, `waiting`, `publish`. The folder `archive` is not inspected by default. The folders named after the initials of the CRAN volunteers are not inspected.

**Value**

cran\_incoming() returns tibble with the following columns:

**package** package name

**version** package version

**cran\_folder** folder where the package was found

**time** date/time package was entered in the folder

**size** the size of the package tarball

cran\_incoming\_folders() returns a character vector of the names of the folders used as part of the CRAN submission process, archive being included optionally.

Note that if the package version is not provided, it will appear as NA in the tibble.

**Disclaimer**

The information provided here is only to give you an indication of where your package stands in the submission process. It can be useful to confirm that your package has been correctly uploaded to CRAN. Please consult the [CRAN Repository Policy](#) if you have any questions.

**Note**

The meaning of the package folders is as follows (see Hornik, Ligges and Zeileis <https://journal.r-project.org/archive/2018-1/cran.pdf> and Uwe Ligges mailing list comment <https://stat.ethz.ch/pipermail/r-package-devel/2019q1/003631.html>):

**newbies** for first time submission; package will be manually inspected.

**inspect** package is awaiting manual inspection; always happens for first time submissions and for packages with problems that are likely to be false positives

**pretest** a human has triggered a new auto-check of the package

**recheck** package has passed checks and is waiting for reverse dependency checking

**pending** a CRAN team member has to do a closer inspection and needs more time

**waiting** CRAN's decision is waiting for a response from the package maintainer, e.g. when issues are present that CRAN cannot check for in the incoming checks

**publish** package is awaiting publication

**archive** package rejected: it does not pass the checks cleanly and the problems are unlikely to be false positives

**References**

- Hornik, Ligges and Zeileis. "Changes on CRAN: 2017-12-01 to 2018-06-30", R Journal 10(1), July 2018. <https://journal.r-project.org/archive/2018-1/cran.pdf>
- Maëlle Salmon, Locke Data, Stephanie Locke, Mitchell O'Hara-Wild, Hugo Gruson. "CRAN incoming dashboard", <https://lockedata.github.io/cransays/articles/dashboard.html>

See Also

cran\_winbuilder

Examples

```
## Not run:
## all the packages in the CRAN incoming queue
cran_incoming()
## to include all the folders including `archive`
cran_incoming(folders = cran_incoming_folders(include_archive = TRUE)
## to only include a folder, e.g., `inspect`
cran_incoming(folders = "inspect")
## if the package `foo` is in the queue, it will appear below
cran_incoming(pkg = "foo")

## End(Not run)
```

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cran_results	<i>Table of the CRAN check results</i>
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Description

Make a table that summarizes the results of the CRAN checks for a set of packages specified by a maintainer or by names.

Usage

```
cran_results(
  email = NULL,
  pkg = NULL,
  show = getOption("foghorn_columns", c("error", "fail", "warn", "note", "ok",
    "deadline")),
  src = c("website", "crandb"),
  max_requests = 50,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

- email            email address for package maintainers (character vector)
- pkg             package names (character vector)
- show            columns of the data frame to show (all are shown by default). See 'Details' for more information.
- src             if "website" the data is scrapped from the CRAN website, if "crandb" the data is downloaded from a RDS file hosted on the CRAN servers (which is used to generate the information found on the CRAN website).

<code>max_requests</code>	maximum number of requests allowed to be performed, ignored when using <code>src = "crandb"</code> . Use <code>Inf</code> to skip this check. (See Details).
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to control where the data from the check results are coming from and how they are downloaded from the CRAN servers (see Details section).

## Details

Given the email address of a package maintainer, and/or a vector of package names, returns a tibble that allows you to detect potential issues with your packages on CRAN.

Where does the data come from?

The data comes from the CRAN servers. They generate RDS files that contains information regarding the results of the checks for all the packages, and all the flavors. This data is then used to generate the web pages.

`foghorn` provides access to either of these data sources. If you choose `src = "website"` the data is scrapped from the CRAN website. If you only need to check a few packages, this is a good option. If you choose `src = "crandb"` the RDS files (about 20Mb) are downloaded first from the CRAN servers.

The option `max_requests` can be used to limit how many pages will be scrapped from the CRAN website. The default is set to 50, use `Inf` to ignore this check. Consider using `src = "crandb"` if you need to get data from many packages or maintainers. Note that this an approximation of the number of requests that will be performed and there will be situations where more requests than this limit will be performed to retrieve the results.

The `deadline` column contains the date set by CRAN to fix issues with the CRAN checks before the package gets archived. If the existence of a deadline has been checked but no date has been set by the CRAN Maintainers, the `deadline` column for the package will be set to `""`. If there is a deadline, the content will be a date stored as character.

The value of the argument `show` can be set using the local option `foghorn_columns`.

When choosing `src = "crandb"` you can also specify the following options:

- `dest`: a folder where to store the RDS files (`tempdir()` by default).
- `protocol`: either `https` or `http`.
- `overwrite`: when `FALSE` (default), if the file exists in `dest` then it will not be downloaded again. When `TRUE` the file gets downloaded every time it's needed.

## Value

a data frame that tabulates the number of CRAN flavors that return errors, warnings, notes, or OK for the packages. See 'Details' section for more information about the `Deadline` column.

## See Also

Note that the `tools` package contains unexported functions that can be used to extract summary information from the check results. Specifically `tools:::sumarize_CRAN_check_status` is similar to `show_cran_results`.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
  cran_results(pkg="MASS")

## End(Not run)
```

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n_cran_flavors	<i>The number of CRAN flavors</i>
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## Description

The CRAN flavors, the systems on which CRAN tests all packages regularly, are listed [https://cran.r-project.org/web/checks/check\\_flavors.html](https://cran.r-project.org/web/checks/check_flavors.html). To get the correct results, foghorn needs to know how many flavors CRAN uses. This function reads the number of flavors that CRAN currently uses, and caches it (per session, in the tempdir() folder). Arguments control caching, fall back, and default values.

## Usage

```
n_cran_flavors(
  use_cache = getOption("foghorn.use_cache", TRUE),
  force_default = getOption("foghorn.force_default", FALSE),
  n_flavors = getOption("foghorn.n_flavors", 12L)
)
```

## Arguments

use_cache	Should the value for the number of flavors be read to/ written from the cache? (default: TRUE)
force_default	Should the default value be used? (default: FALSE). When TRUE, the number of flavors is read from the Internet.
n_flavors	What is the default number of flavors? (default: 12L)

## Details

The default values for the arguments are read from options. Given that n\_cran\_flavors function is relied on internally to provide accurate information to the user, using options allows you to control how the function behaves directly. In general, the default values should not be changed. They are provided in case you have issues connecting to the web page listing the number of flavors, or you do not want to use caching.

The options can be set:

- by session, using, for instance, `options("foghorn.use_cache" = FALSE)`.
- permanently, by adding `options("foghorn.use_cache" = FALSE)` in your `.Rprofile`.
- for a specific call, using the withr package: `withr::with_options(foghorn.use_cache = FALSE, ...)`.



**Value**

The number of CRAN check flavors (as an integer).

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summary_cran_results	<i>Summary of the CRAN check results</i>
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**Description**

Given the email address of a package maintainer, and/or a vector of package names, it displays at the console a summary of the check results run on the CRAN flavors. This function is designed to be included in your .Rprofile to be run (periodically) at start up.

**Usage**

```
summary_cran_results(
  email = NULL,
  pkg = NULL,
  compact = FALSE,
  print_ok = TRUE,
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'cran_results'
summary(object, compact = FALSE, print_ok = TRUE, ...)

show_cran_results(...)
```

**Arguments**

email	email address for package maintainers (character vector)
pkg	package names (character vector)
compact	if TRUE, all the packages with non-OK results are listed in a single line, otherwise they are listed on multiple lines.
print_ok	if TRUE the summary method will print a "all clear" message for package(s) that have an OK status for all CRAN checks.
...	additional arguments to control where the data from the check results are coming from and how they are downloaded from the CRAN servers (see Details section).
object	an object created by cran_results

**Value**

Prints the packages that return errors, warnings, and notes on the CRAN flavors. The number in parenthesis after the name of the packages indicates the number of CRAN flavors that produce these results.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
summary_cran_results(email = c("user1@company1.com", "user2@company2.com"))
summary_cran_results(email = "user1@company1.com",
                      pkg = c("pkg1", "pkg2"))

## End(Not run)
```

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visit_cran_check	<i>Visit the CRAN check results page</i>
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**Description**

Visit the page in your web browser for a given package or a maintainer's email address

**Usage**

```
visit_cran_check(pkg = NULL, email = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

pkg	name of the package to check the results for
email	email address of the package maintainer

**Value**

The URL from the CRAN check results page invisibly

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winbuilder_queue	<i>Show the win-builder queue</i>
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**Description**

Check whether your package is in the win-builder queue.

**Usage**

```
winbuilder_queue(
  pkg = NULL,
  folders = c("R-release", "R-devel", "R-oldrelease")
)
```

## Arguments

<b>pkg</b>	Optionally provide a vector of package names to limit the results to these packages.
<b>folders</b>	Which folders of the win-builder queue do you want to inspect? Default: the 3 architectures win-builder provides.

## Details

To check whether your package has successfully been submitted to win-builder, or to check whether there is unusual delay in processing packages submitted to win-builder, `winbuilder_queue` allows you to inspect the packages that are in the queue to be processed by the win-builder service.

## Value

A tibble with the following columns:

**package** package name

**version** package version

**folder** the folder indicating the R version that will be used to perform the checks

**time** the date and time at which the package tarball was uploaded on win-builder

**size** the size of the package tarball

## References

- Maëlle Salmon, 2020. "Everything you should know about WinBuilder" <https://blog.r-hub.io/2020/04/01/win-builder/>
- Uwe Ligges. Building and checking R source packages for Windows. <https://win-builder.r-project.org/>

## Examples

```
## Not run:
## Get all the packages in the win-builder queue
winbuilder_queue()
## Check if the 'dplyr' package is in the win-builder queue
winbuilder_queue(pkg = "dplyr")
## Check which packages are in the R-devel queue
winbuilder_queue(folders = "R-devel")

## End(Not run)
```

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