

`\tracinglostchars` [*⟨number⟩* parameter]

If this parameter is greater than zero, T<sub>E</sub>X will record an indication in the log file of each time that it drops an output character because that character does not exist in the current font. If `\tracingonline` is greater than zero, this information will also appear at your terminal. Plain T<sub>E</sub>X defaults it to 1 (unlike the others).

*Example:*

```
\tracinglostchars = 1
A {\nullfont few} characters.
```

*produces in the log:*

```
Missing character: There is no f in font nullfont!
Missing character: There is no e in font nullfont!
Missing character: There is no w in font nullfont!
```