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Rail Data Marketplace

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Programme summary

Well the summer season has begun which feels like a suitable point for an update on the Rail Data Marketplace which continues on an encouraging growth trajectory since our last newsletter around 3 months ago. When a broad group of stakeholders from across the industry originally envisioned RDM, their aspirations could probably be boiled down to a few bullets:

- To make finding and accessing rail data easy.
- To bring together data from across the sector into one place.
- To surface open data, but also allow commercial organisations to sell data.
- In creating a platform for data sharing, to enable innovation across the sector.

It is now around 3 years since DfT provided a grant fund to build RDM, and I believe that we can claim a level of success against all of these. In terms of the project to build RDM, the final deliverable was put live in July when we made available a full suite of invoicing and payment functionality. Using one of the world's largest billing and payment platforms, Stripe, we are now able to securely take payment in a number of forms from consumers on behalf of publishers. This means that buying and particularly selling data is surprisingly easy. If you are considering selling data, then do contact us and we can show you how RDM could become a highly effective complementary sales channel. After all, who wouldn't be interested in a no-risk, zero investment opportunity to sell to around 1,100 organisations and individuals, all of whom are interested in rail data.

Having put the final piece of the jigsaw in place, we are now transitioning from a project phase into a 'business as usual' service. This does not mean that we will stand still, and we have a good number of continuous improvement items which we will implement over the next few months to ensure that RDM meets your needs. As always in these matters, we are only as good as the feedback that we receive, so if you think that something could be improved, please get in touch via [User feedback - Rail Data Marketplace](#).

Despite the project phase coming to an end, it was always the case that the success of RDM will ultimately only be judged by its adoption across the industry. The early signs are encouraging; registered organisations are high and accessing data in significant numbers. RDM already enables over 2,800 data sharing agreements, both the technical connection and the legal agreement which underpins that. Amazing for a platform which was formally launched just 9 months ago.

Perhaps more encouraging for the future is the breadth of data which is now available on RDM. Network Rail have always been a big supporter of RDM and, as well as having 17 existing data sets available, they have a full roadmap of new data sources due to be published in the next few months. Transport API have published a great new historic performance data set (see item below). The TOCs are also busy publishing with train accessibility data for most now available, LNER has also made available car parking data, station distances and their train plan data which includes both schedule and capacity information.

We would also be remiss not to highlight a new version of the Green Travel Pledge Emissions Output data from Rail Delivery Group. This award-winning project has collated emission output data on a per passenger data for around 40,000 routes across Britain and helpfully also provide a comparator for vehicle emissions. As we all do our bit to reach net zero, how great is it to be able to evidence and provide metrics to our passengers on how green the rail industry really is?

A list of all of the recently added data can be found below, and as always, if there is some data that you want, then go to the Data Wants section of RDM and either up-vote an existing Want, or create a new one. No promises, but we will try to find if it exists and whether it can be made available.

TAPI Rail performance historic departures

A new commercial data product by TransportAPI is now live on the RDM which has many potential use cases!

TAPI Rail performance historic departures

This managed service gives access to 90 days of historic station departure boards (last 90 days including today) on the National Rail network with filtering and time windows to refine access to punctuality, lateness and cancellations. Find out how trains arrived and departed from a station with schedules and delays, planned and unplanned changes to schedules and live running information including platforms advertised and used by each service for any day and time.

Read the blog from the publisher [here](#)

You can access the product [here](#)

New Data Products on the RDM

Organisation	Data product
Rail Delivery Group	Green Travel Pledge Emissions Output (updated)
Network Rail	NWR Stations Asset Accessibility
Network Rail	NWR Workforce Headcount
Network Rail	NWR Spend over £25,000
Network Rail	NWR Lifts & Escalators
Network Rail	NWR Corpus
Network Rail	NWR Schedule
Network Rail	NWR Smart
Network Rail	NWR Station Flows Summer 2023
Network Rail	NWR Train Planning Network Model
Network Rail	NWR SRAM Passenger Flows
London North Eastern Railway	Train Plan
London North Eastern Railway	Station Distance Miles
London North Eastern Railway	Car Park Information 2024
Greater Anglia	Greater Anglia Long Term Plan
Avanti West Coast	AWC Fleet Accessibility Data (Updated)
TransportAPI	TAPI Rail performance [90 day] historic departures

Rail Data Marketplace receives award at RIA RISE Awards

We're delighted to have been 'highly commended' by the judging panel for the 2024 RIA RISE Awards in the Innovation category. It was a hotly contested category with wide variety of entries. The worthy winners were Q Sustain, with a solution to air pollution on confined platforms which they have implemented on platforms 10-11 in Birmingham New Street. Despite not quite winning, we are proud that the judges recognised the difference that RDM is making in simplifying access to data from across the industry and thank them for their commendation. It was a double celebration for RDG at the Awards, as our colleagues in Smarter Information, Smarter Journeys won the Application of Digital Technology Award for their Personalised Journey Notifications solution which is available to digital TIS retailers.

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