

Disabled Persons Railcards

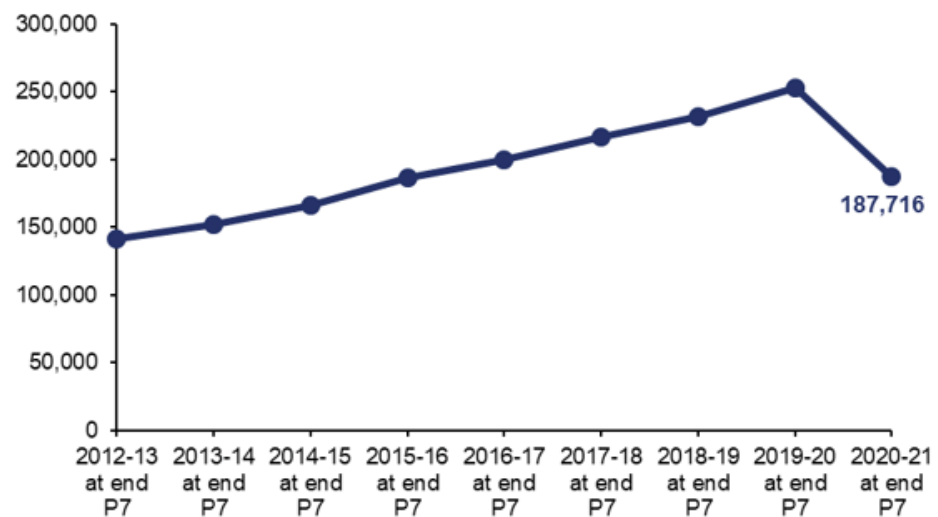
2020-21 Rail periods 5 to 7 (26 July 2020 to 17 October 2020)

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During 2020-21 rail periods 5 to 7 (26 July 2020 to 17 October 2020) there were substantial reductions in the volume of Disabled Persons Railcards (DPRC) in circulation and issued when compared to the same rail periods in 2019-20. This was due to reduced travel in order to limit the impact and transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19). Overall, [rail passenger journeys](#) in Great Britain for 2020-21 Quarter 2 (July to September) equated to 29.8% of the journeys recorded in 2019-20 Q2.

There were **187,716 Disabled Persons Railcards in circulation** at the end of 2020-21 rail period 7 (17 October 2020). This represents a decrease of 25.7% compared to the same rail period in 2019-20 (this equated to 74.3% of the DPRC in circulation at the end of the same rail period last year).

Figure 1.1 Disabled Persons Railcards in circulation at the end of rail period 7 each year, Great Britain, 2012-13 to 2020-21 (Table 4310)



The data table associated with this factsheet is published on the [disabled persons railcards page](#) of the ORR data portal. Key definitions are at the end of this factsheet.

Background:

This factsheet contains information on **Disabled Persons Railcards (DPRC)** in circulation and issued (by one and three years in length) in Great Britain.

DPRC enable disabled passengers to get a discount of a third off adult travel on the National Rail network in Great Britain.

ORR collects this data as part of its [Accessible Travel Policy \(ATP\)](#) compliance monitoring.

Source: Rail Delivery Group

Latest periods: 2020-21 rail periods 5 to 7 (26 July to 17 October 2020).

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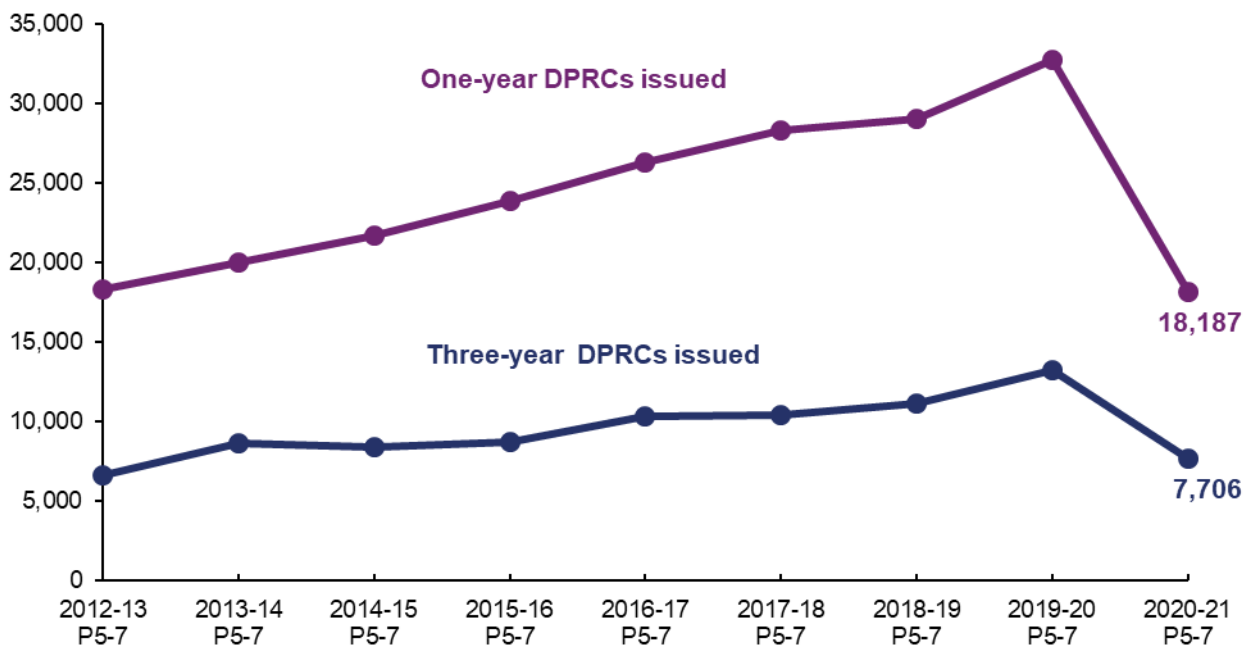
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Overall, **18,187 one-year DPRC** were issued during 2020-21 rail periods 5 to 7, a decrease of 44.4% compared to 2019-20 rail periods 5 to 7 (this equated to 55.6% of the volume issued during the same rail periods last year). There were **7,706 three-year DPRC** issued during 2020-21 rail periods 5 to 7, this is a decrease of 41.7% compared to the same rail periods in 2019-20 (this equated to 58.3% of the volume issued during the same rail periods last year).

Figure 1.2 Disabled Persons Railcards issued, Great Britain, rail periods 5 to 7 2012-13 to 2020-21 (Table 4310)

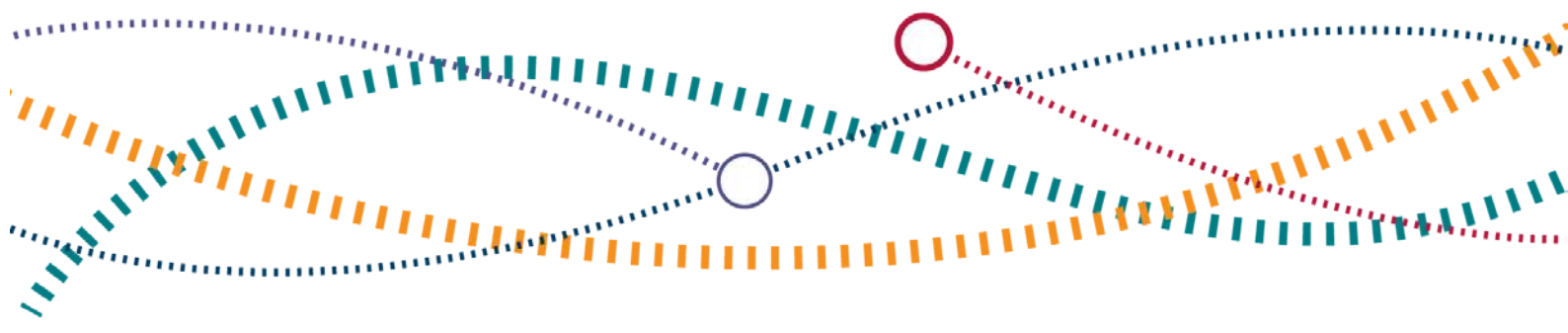


Definitions

- **DPRC** enable disabled passengers to get a discount of a third off adult rail fares for travel on the National Rail network in Great Britain.
- **DPRC in circulation:** The number of disabled persons railcards in circulation which are valid to use for a discount on rail fares. This includes both one-year and three-year railcards.
- **DPRC issued:** The number of disabled persons railcards that have been issued during the year. These can be either for one year or three years in length.

Data tables

The data table Table 4310 - *Disabled Persons Railcards (DPRC) in circulation and issued* can be accessed on the [disabled persons railcards page](#) of the ORR data portal free of charge in OpenDocument Spreadsheet (.ods) format. We can also provide data in csv format on request.





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