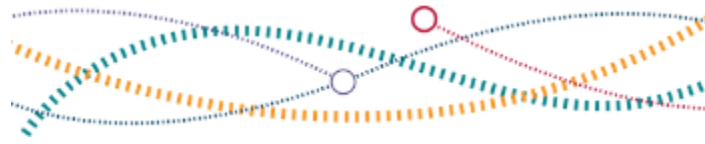


ORR rail statistics



Newsletter

5 November 2021

This is our fourth newsletter to update our statistics users about changes and improvements we are making over the next few months to the statistics we publish on the [ORR data portal](#). We post this information on our [user engagement page](#), however we'd like to ensure you are kept up to date directly with any changes to statistics you may use.

We hope you find the information useful and welcome any questions or feedback. Please email us at: rail.stats@orr.gov.uk. If you would **not** like to receive this newsletter in future please email us using this [unsubscribe](#) link.

Upcoming publications

We recently announced the publication dates of two of our most popular annual statistical releases:

- [Estimates of station usage](#): annual estimates of the number of entries/exits and interchanges at each station in Great Britain - **25 November**
- [Rail industry finance \(UK\)](#): income, expenditure, and government funding of the UK rail industry - **30 November**

The [publication dates](#) for all our statistics are available for the next 12 months. For some releases only the month has been set so far, however the exact date will always be set at least 4 weeks in advance of publication.

New rail station attribute table

As part of our annual [Rail infrastructure and assets statistics](#) for 2020-21 we published a new rail station attribute table ([Table 6329](#)). The new table presents geographic and attribute information for each mainline station in Great Britain, including location coordinates, which county each station is in, and who manages each station.

We would like to include additional useful fields in this table so if you have any suggestions for other station attribute fields (and ideally a data source for it) or any feedback on the current fields then please [get in touch](#).

Rail Statistics Management Group – 13 October

The Rail Statistics Management Group (RSMG) is a forum where we discuss our statistics with stakeholders to ensure they continue to meet users' needs and are of good quality. The group also discusses industry research and shares other information and best practice.

The agenda, actions and presentation slides from the recent RSMG meeting on 13 October are available on the [RSMG page of the data portal](#). This includes presentations on our recent annual [Rail emissions 2020-21 statistics](#) and how the analysis was improved using data science techniques, and how we automated the production of [TOC key statistics](#).

If anyone would like to present or join the group please [email us](#).

Data portal upgrade

A project to upgrade our [data portal](#) to the latest version of its hosting platform will begin in December with planned go live in April 2022. Whilst this will not be a major overhaul of the site, we do plan to implement some changes to improve the user experience.

If anyone has any feedback on the portal or improvements they would like to see made then please [email us](#).