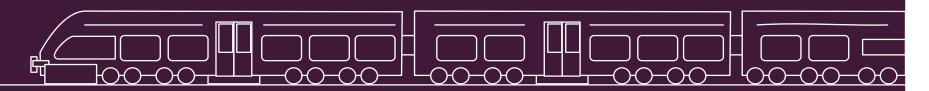


Introduction



The Rail User Survey asks passengers in Great Britain about travelling by rail and how satisfied they were with their most recent train journey.

Each weekend a representative sample of 2000 people from across Great Britain are asked questions by Yonder Consulting about their public transport use.

We ask which types of transport they have used and for what purpose. Those who used rail are asked about their overall satisfaction with the journey and with aspects such as value for money, punctuality and cleanliness.

This report shows the results by train company on overall

satisfaction and the core aspects of satisfaction over the most recent 24 week period (23 September 2022 to 19 March 2023). It then shows satisfaction trends over time (in twelve-week intervals) for the 14 train companies where we have a sufficient sample size.

This data is also used to produce the <u>reports</u> we publish every four weeks showing how satisfied passengers in Great Britain were with their most recent train journey.

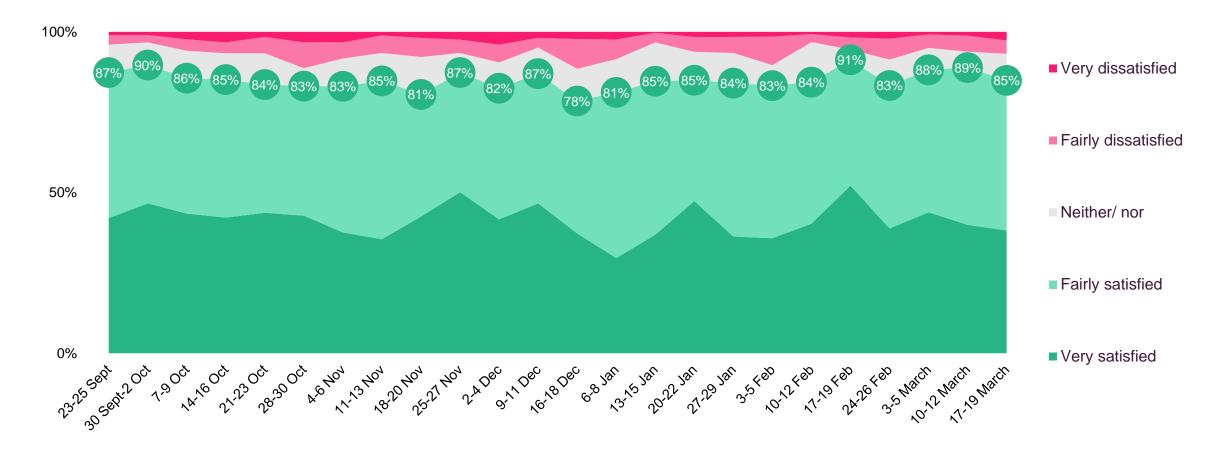
Further details on how we carried out this survey are available on page 29.







Overall satisfaction with rail journey across all train operators

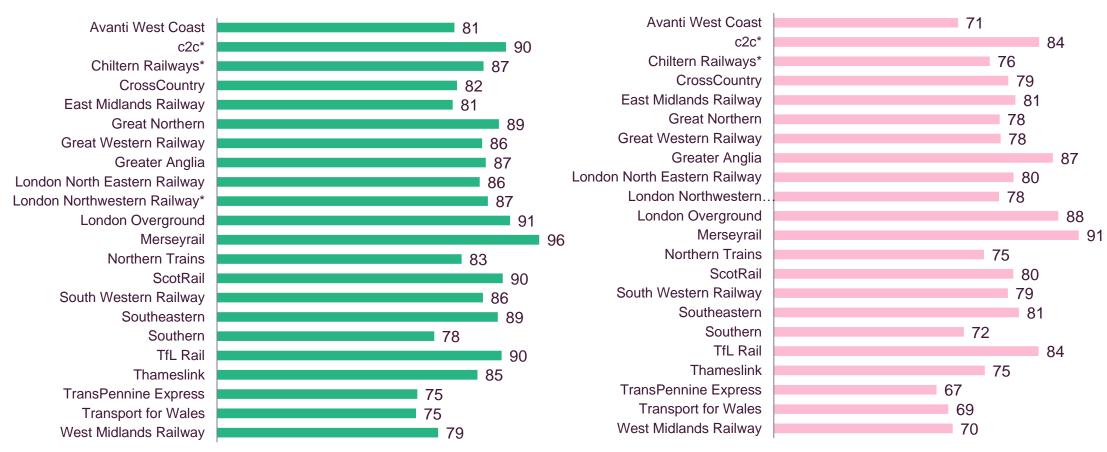




Overall journey satisfaction and punctuality/reliability (23 Sept to 19 March)



Satisfaction with punctuality/reliability %

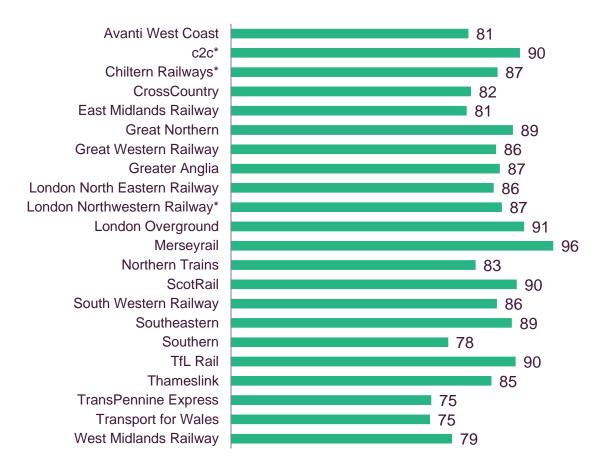




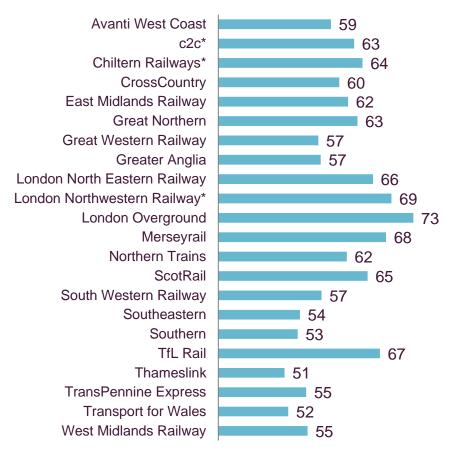
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Overall journey satisfaction and value for money (23 Sept to 19 March)

Overall satisfaction %



Satisfaction with value for money %

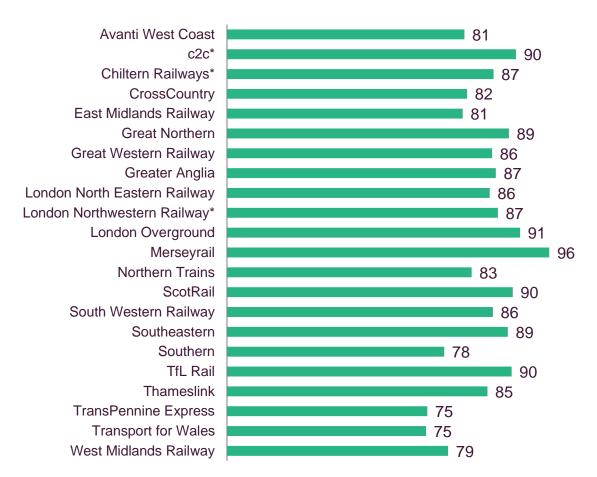




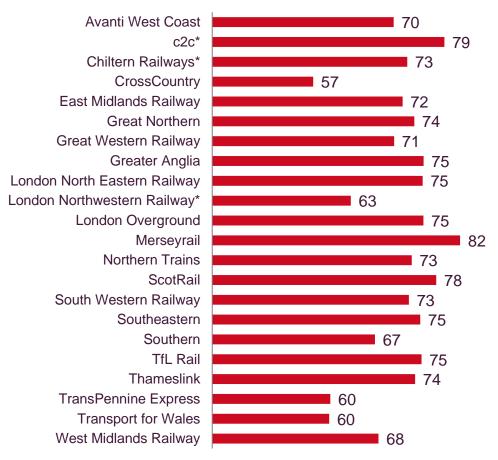
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Overall journey satisfaction and level of crowding (23 Sept to 19 March)

Overall satisfaction %



Satisfaction with level of crowding %



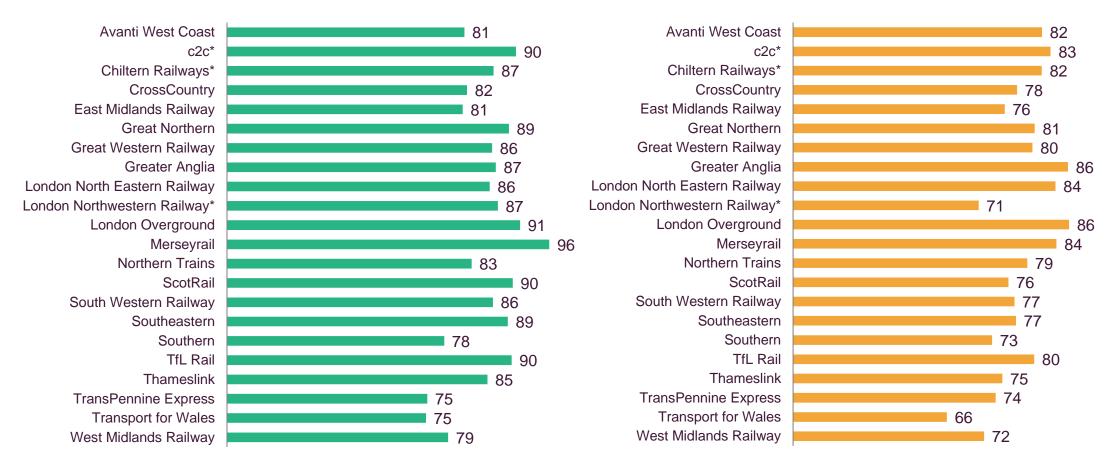


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Overall journey satisfaction and level of cleanliness (23 Sept to 19 March)



Satisfaction with cleanliness %





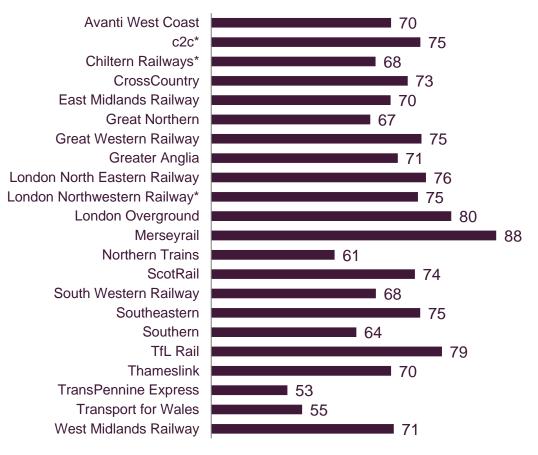
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Overall journey satisfaction and frequency of services (23 Sept to 19 March)

Overall satisfaction %



Satisfaction with frequency of services %

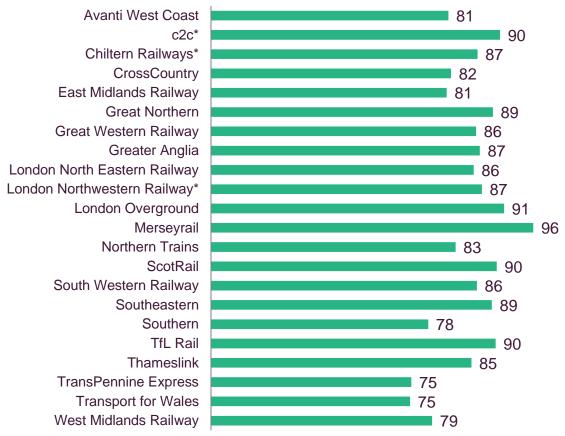




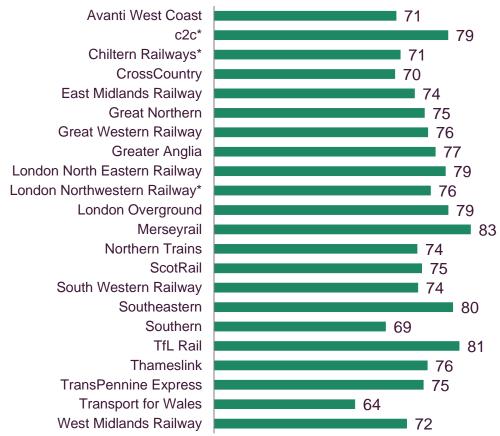
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Overall journey satisfaction and information provided during journey (23 Sept to 19 March)





Satisfaction with information during journey %





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Satisfaction over time

Transport Focus's Rail User Survey has been running around 18 months allowing us to see the trends in passenger satisfaction over time.

The charts in this section show overall satisfaction and satisfaction with seven journey aspects for 14 train companies where we have sufficient sample sizes (more than 75 per data point) over six distinct 12-week periods:

- 6 Oct 2021 9 Jan 2022
- 12 Jan 3 Apr 2022

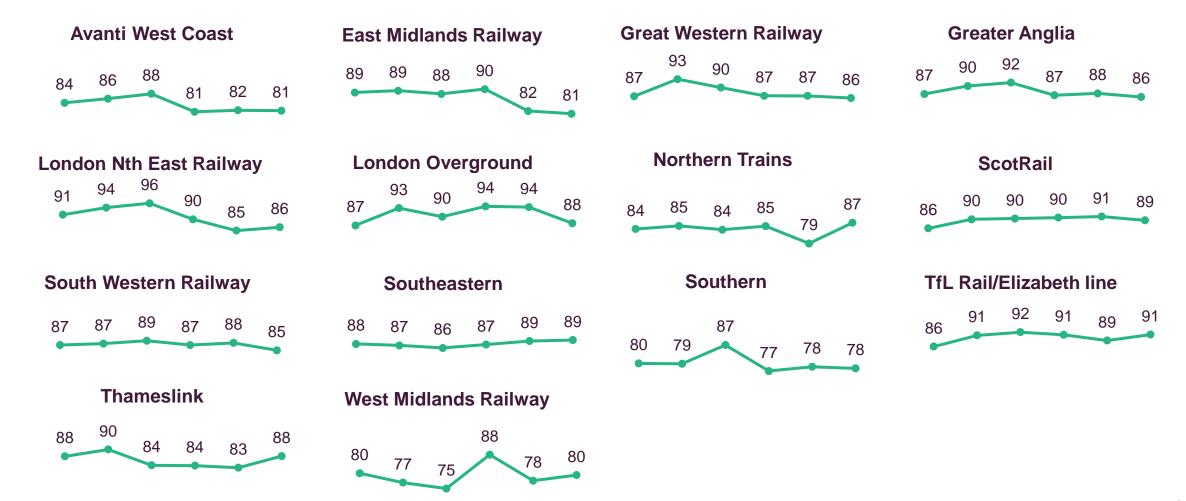
- 8 Apr 26 June 2022
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- 16 Dec 2022 19 March 2023.

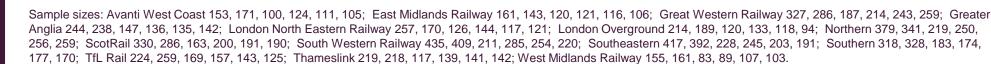
Further details about the methodology are at the end of the report.



Overall satisfaction by 12-week time periods

6 Oct 2021-9 Jan 2022, 10 Jan-3 Apr 2022, 8 Apr-26 June 2022, 1 July-18 Sept 2022 and 23 Sept-11 Dec 2022, 16 Dec 2022-19 Mar 2023







Avanti West Coast Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

Time period dates (left to right)

6 Oct 2021 - 9 Jan 2022

12 Jan - 3 Apr 2022

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1 July - 18 Sept 2022

23 Sept - 11 Dec 2022

16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023

Overall satisfaction



Punctuality / reliability



Value for money



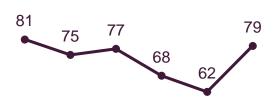
Level of crowding



Cleanliness



Frequency of services







East Midlands Railway Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

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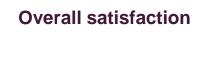
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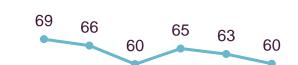




Punctuality / reliability



Value for money



Level of crowding



Cleanliness



Frequency of services







Great Western Railway Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

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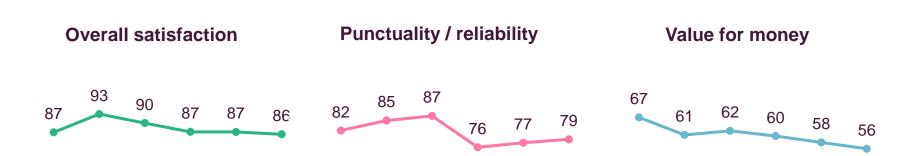
12 Jan - 3 Apr 2022

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1 July - 18 Sept 2022

23 Sept - 11 Dec 2022

16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023



Level of crowding Cleanliness Frequency of services Information during journey 90 88 87 85 83 78 76 76 79 76 76 75 76 80 80 74 76



Greater Anglia Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

Time period dates (left to right)

6 Oct 2021 - 9 Jan 2022

12 Jan - 3 Apr 2022

8 Apr - 26 June 2022

1 July - 18 Sept 2022

23 Sept - 11 Dec 2022

16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023

Overall satisfaction



Punctuality / reliability



Value for money



Level of crowding



Cleanliness



Frequency of services







London North Eastern Railway Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

Time period dates (left to right)

6 Oct 2021 - 9 Jan 2022

12 Jan - 3 Apr 2022

8 Apr - 26 June 2022

1 July - 18 Sept 2022

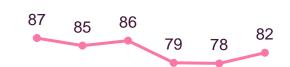
23 Sept - 11 Dec 2022

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Overall satisfaction



Punctuality / reliability



Value for money



Level of crowding

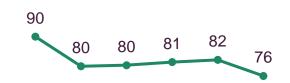


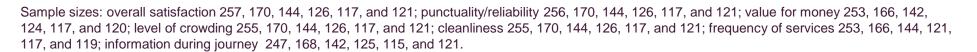
Cleanliness



Frequency of services









London Overground Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

Time period dates (left to right)

6 Oct 2021 - 9 Jan 2022

12 Jan - 3 Apr 2022

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16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023

Overall satisfaction



Punctuality / reliability



Value for money



Level of crowding



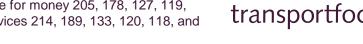
Cleanliness



Frequency of services







Northern Trains Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

Time period dates (left to right)

6 Oct 2021 - 9 Jan 2022

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1 July - 18 Sept 2022

23 Sept - 11 Dec 2022

16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023

Overall satisfaction



Punctuality / reliability



Value for money



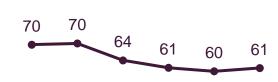
Level of crowding



Cleanliness



Frequency of services







ScotRail Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

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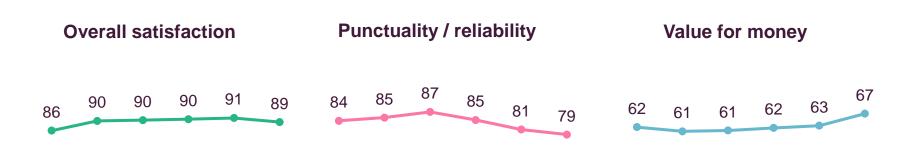
12 Jan - 3 Apr 2022

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1 July - 18 Sept 2022

23 Sept - 11 Dec 2022

16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023



Level of crowding Cleanliness Frequency of services Information during journey 74 77 76 79 79 76 77 78 80 83 79 68 68 67 76 74 75 67 67 73 77 73



South Western Railway Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

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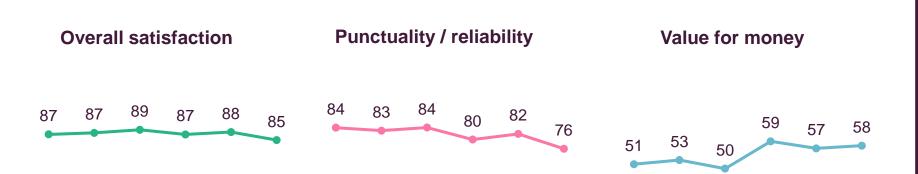
12 Jan - 3 Apr 2022

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23 Sept - 11 Dec 2022

16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023



Level of crowding Cleanliness Frequency of services Information during journey 73 74 68 74 72 74 78 77 76 82 75 80 69 66 72 71 68 67 73 74 73 75 75 75



Sample sizes: overall satisfaction 435, 409, 285, 211, 254, and 220; punctuality/reliability 435, 408, 284, 211, 254, and 220; value for money 407, 396, 273, 197, 240, and 214; level of crowding 433, 406, 283, 210, 253, and 220; cleanliness 434, 408, 283, 211, 254, and 220; frequency of services 432, 408, 283, 211, 253, and 220; information during journey 423, 392, 268, 202, 242, and 210.

Southeastern Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

Time period dates (left to right)

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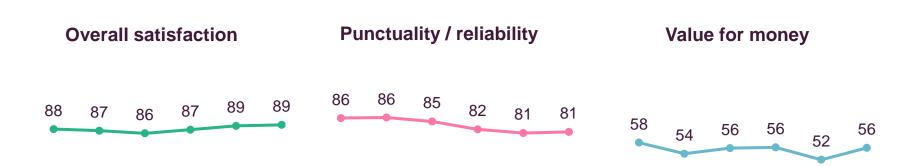
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16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023



Level of crowding Cleanliness Frequency of services Information during journey 73 75 79 75 74 76 80 83 78 80 76 79 71 72 71 73 78 72 74 78 83 75 81 80



Southern Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

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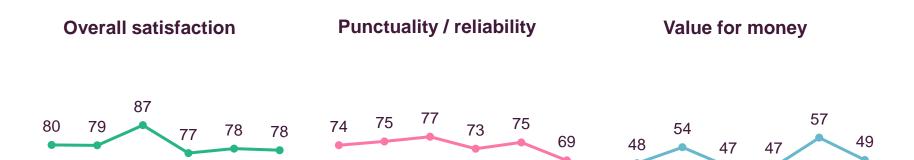
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Level of crowding Cleanliness Frequency of services Information during journey 70 71 69 67 69 66 70 70 75 70 70 64 62 63 65 65 64 69 68 68 65 70 68



Sample sizes: overall satisfaction 318, 328, 174, 183, 177, and 170; punctuality/reliability 318, 328, 174, 183, 177, and 169; value for money 303, 311, 166, 172, 170, and 155; level of crowding 317, 325, 174, 182, 175, and 167; cleanliness 318, 327, 172, 182, 175, and 168; frequency of services 316, 328, 174, 181, 176, and 168; information during journey 298, 313, 164, 177, 168, and 153.

TfL Rail/Elizabeth line Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

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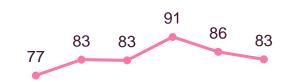
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Overall satisfaction



Punctuality / reliability



Value for money



Level of crowding



Cleanliness



Frequency of services







Thameslink Satisfaction by 12-week time periods

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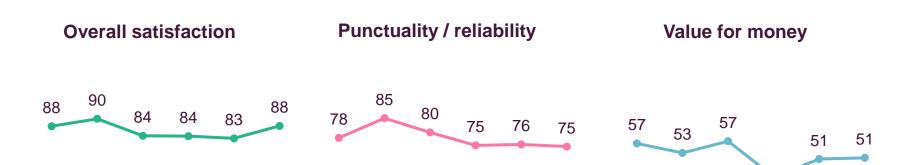
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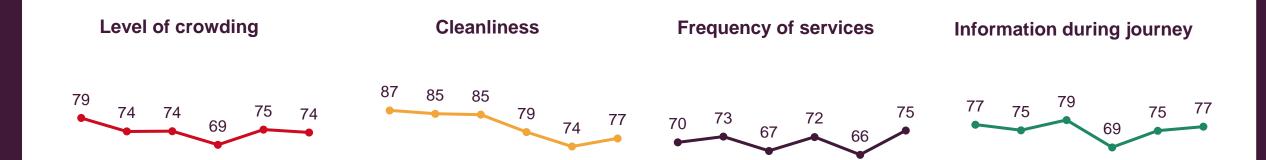
8 Apr - 26 June 2022

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16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023







West Midlands Railway Satisfaction by 12-week time periods*

Time period dates (left to right)

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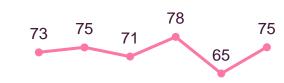
23 Sept - 11 Dec 2022

16 Dec 2022 - 19 Mar 2023

Overall satisfaction



Punctuality / reliability



Value for money



Level of crowding



Cleanliness



Frequency of services



Information during journey



Sample sizes: overall satisfaction 155, 161, 89, 83, 107, and 103; punctuality/reliability 155, 161, 89, 83, 107, and 103; value for money 153, 160, 87, 79, 105, and 101; level of crowding 155, 160, 88, 83, 107, and 103; cleanliness 153, 161, 89, 83, 107, and 103; frequency of services 155, 161, 89, 83, 107, and 103; information during journey 149, 148, 84, 78, 102, and 97.



^{*} Some base sizes are below 100, which would be the ideal minimum for analysis.





Methodology

Transport Focus's Rail User Survey runs on the weekend waves of Yonder Consulting's omnibus. In total approximately 2000 per week are screened to identify those who have made a rail journey (excluding London Underground) in the last seven days and the purpose of the journey. Those who have, around 250 per week, then answer questions about satisfaction with their latest journey; the question texts are provided in the appendix.

Yonder Consulting's omnibus is weighted to be nationally representative of the population of Great Britain. The analysis of satisfaction questions excludes

responses from those who say that the question is not applicable to them.

The omnibus survey asks questions about a variety of matters from a range of client organisations. Not all those interviewed through the omnibus are passengers on public transport. Numbers may not add up to 100 per cent, due to rounding.



Appendix 1: questionnaire wording

(Questions included in this report in bold)

Q Overall how satisfied were you with this train journey?

Q Thinking about this most recent journey you made by train, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with?

- a. The information on how busy the train would be before travelling
- b. The cleanliness of the inside of the train
- c. Helpfulness and attitude of staff
- d. Overall satisfaction with the station
- e. Punctuality/reliability (i.e. the train departing / arriving on time)
- f. Frequency of the trains on that route
- g. Length of time the journey was scheduled to take

- h. Level of crowding on the train
- i. The behaviour of other passengers
- j. Provision of information during the journey
- k. Comfort of the seats
- I. Value for money of your ticket
- m. Reliability of the internet connection
- n. Overall satisfaction with the train
- o. Your personal security during your journey

Answer options: Very satisfied, Fairly satisfied, Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied, Fairly dissatisfied, Very dissatisfied, Not applicable.



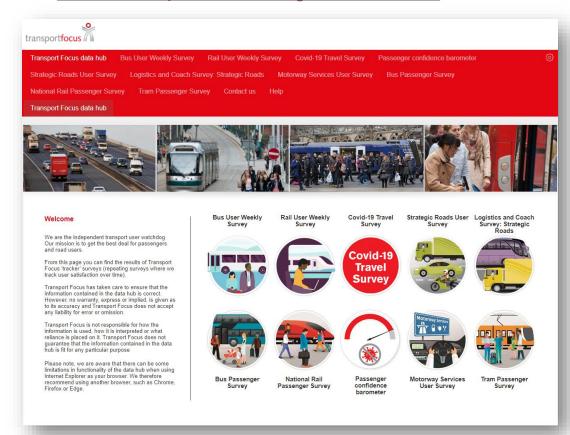
Appendix 2: base sizes for 24-week period: 23 Sept to 19 March 2022 (slides 5-10)

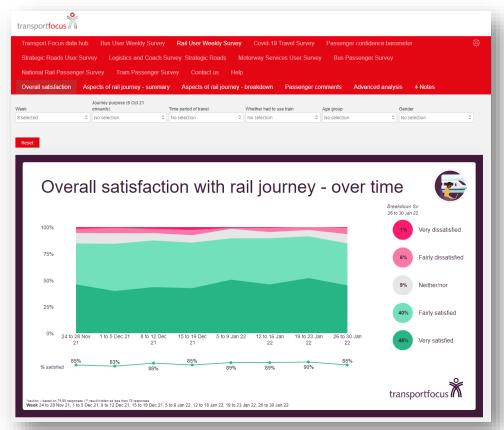
Train operating company sample sizes	Overall satisfaction	Punctuality	Value for money	Level of crowding	Cleanliness inside	Frequency of services	Information provided during journey
Avanti West Coast	216	216	212	214	216	214	214
c2c	79	79	77	79	79	79	72
Chiltern Railways	100	99	98	99	100	100	96
CrossCountry	156	156	153	155	156	155	152
East Midlands Railway	222	222	222	221	221	221	213
Great Northern	178	178	168	178	178	177	173
Great Western Railway	502	501	499	500	501	499	482
Greater Anglia	277	276	273	276	276	275	271
London North Eastern Railway	238	238	237	238	238	236	236
London Northwestern Railway	93	93	91	93	93	92	90
London Overground	212	212	200	212	211	212	191
Merseyrail	133	132	115	133	133	132	119
Northern	515	514	502	512	514	508	488
ScotRail	381	380	380	380	381	380	355
South Western Railway	474	474	454	473	474	473	452
Southeastern	394	394	357	391	392	394	372
Southern	347	346	325	342	343	344	321
TfL Rail	268	265	247	268	268	268	254
Thameslink	283	283	270	281	282	281	267
TransPennine Express	132	132	132	132	132	129	125
Transport for Wales	152	151	148	148	149	151	140
West Midlands Railway	210	210	206	210	210	210	199



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