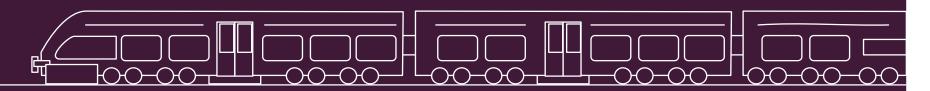


Introduction



Our Rail User Survey regularly asks a representative sample of 2000 people across Great Britain about their public transport use. Those who used rail in the last seven days are asked about their overall satisfaction with their most recent rail journey and with aspects such as value for money, punctuality and cleanliness.

This report shows:

 The results for the main 22 train companies on overall satisfaction and satisfaction with six key aspects of the journey. The results are for 24 waves of the survey (1 September 2023 to 23 June 2024). Trends in overall satisfaction and satisfaction with the same six key aspects for 15 train companies with sufficient response numbers. These trends are shown for consecutive 12 waves of the survey.

Our Rail User Survey 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 about the methodology and the sample sizes for each train operating company are at the end of the report.







Summary of satisfaction by train company

Over 24 survey waves from 1 Sept 2023 to 23 June 2024

	Overall satisfaction	Punctuality / reliability	Frequency of trains on route	Level of crowding	Cleanliness	Information during journey	Value for money
Avanti West Coast	83	67	70	68	76	77	57
c2c	91	78	75	76	76	78	46
Chiltern Railways	84	85	77	77	82	80	67
CrossCountry	77	75	68	54	72	74	57
East Midlands Railway	86	77	75	68	80	79	55
Great Northern	91	79	72	77	78	84	58
Great Western Railway	83	75	76	70	82	79	55
Greater Anglia	90	87	77	74	91	83	55
London North Eastern Railway	86	80	76	72	82	82	65
London Northwestern Railway	84	79	78	75	76	82	64
London Overground	90	84	82	77	85	82	73
Merseyrail	90	85	89	81	86	85	70
Northern	83	68	67	71	78	76	59
ScotRail	89	82	75	79	80	78	64
South Western Railway	84	77	72	71	73	79	51
Southeastern	87	82	73	71	79	83	50
Southern	81	72	66	73	71	74	47
TfL Rail/Elizabeth Line	89	82	83	72	83	84	66
Thameslink	85	71	67	69	76	74	50
TransPennine Express	81	76	66	67	80	75	60
Transport for Wales	80	71	67	63	76	80	57
West Midlands Railway	83	73	73	71	69	75	57

Score relatively high compared with other TOCS

Score relatively average compared with other TOCS

Score relatively low compared with other TOCS

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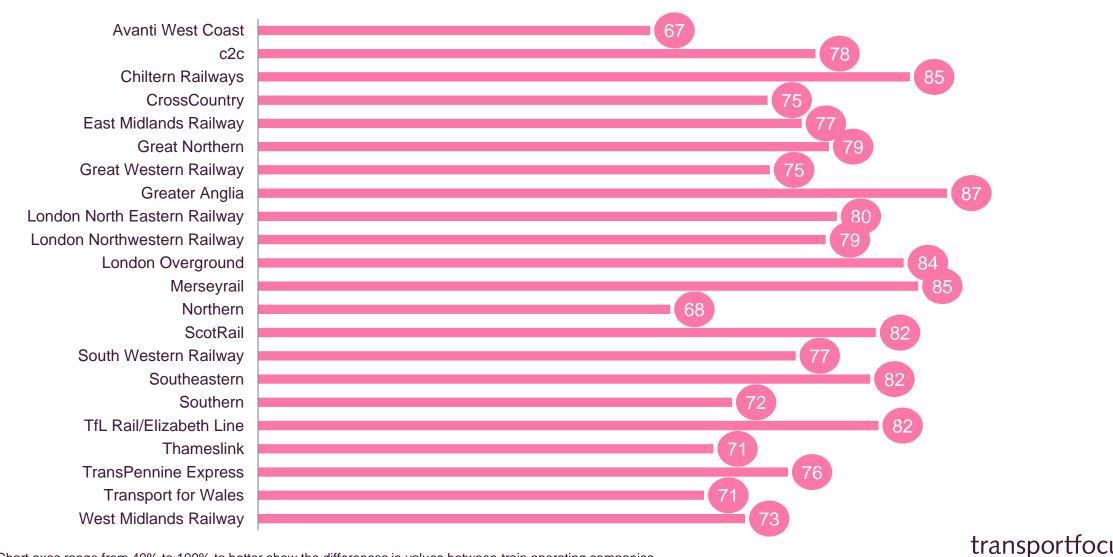
Overall journey satisfaction by train company

Over 24 survey waves from 1 Sept 2023 to 23 June 2024



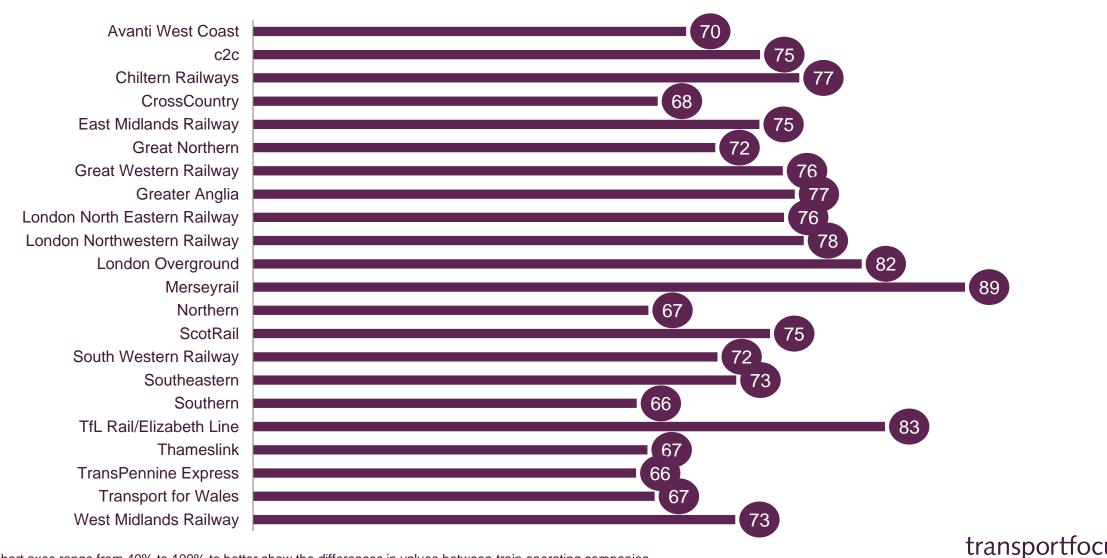
Satisfaction with punctuality/reliability by train company

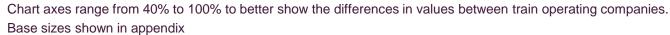
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Satisfaction with frequency of trains on route by train company

Over 24 survey waves from 1 Sept 2023 to 23 June 2024





Satisfaction with level of crowding by train company

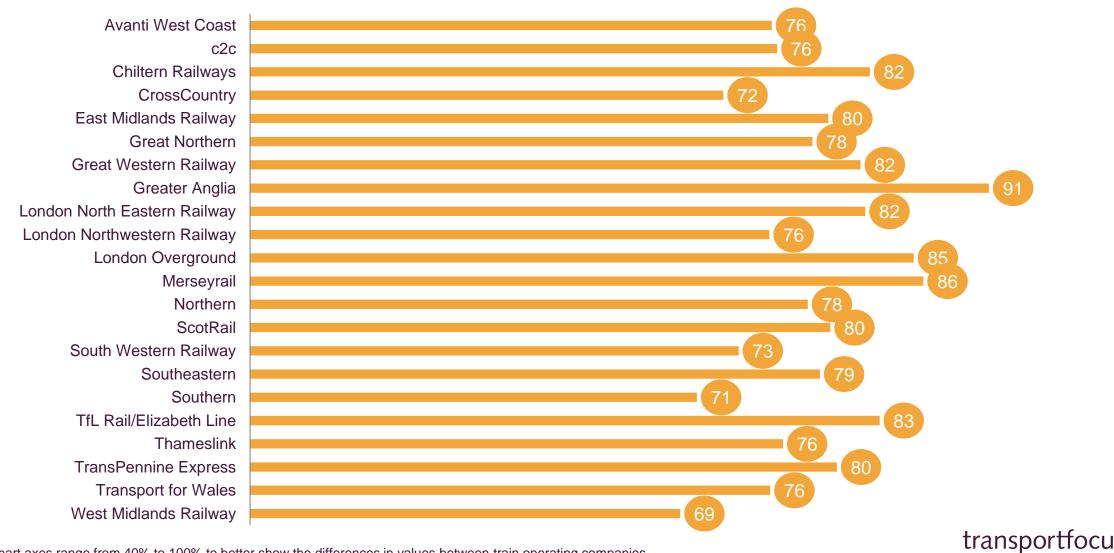
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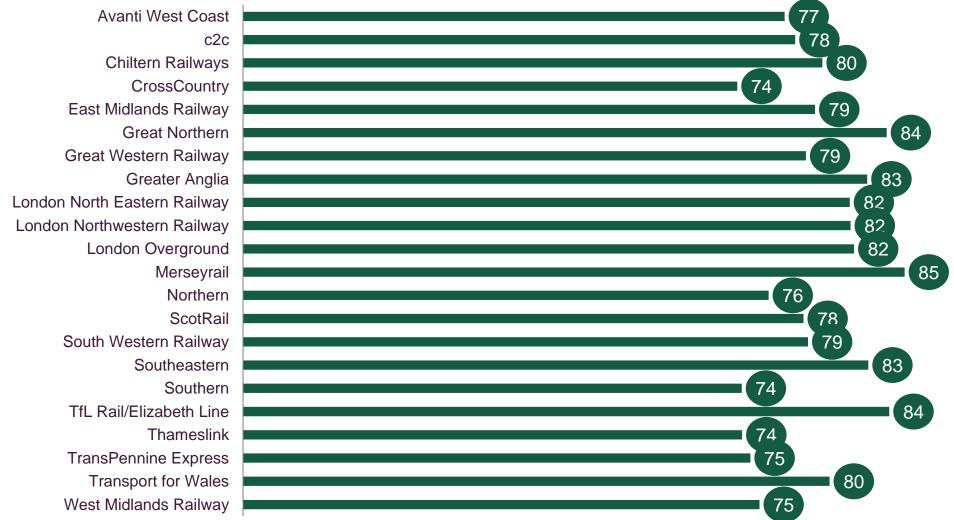
Satisfaction with cleanliness by train company

Over 24 survey waves from 1 Sept 2023 to 23 June 2024



Satisfaction with information during the journey by train company

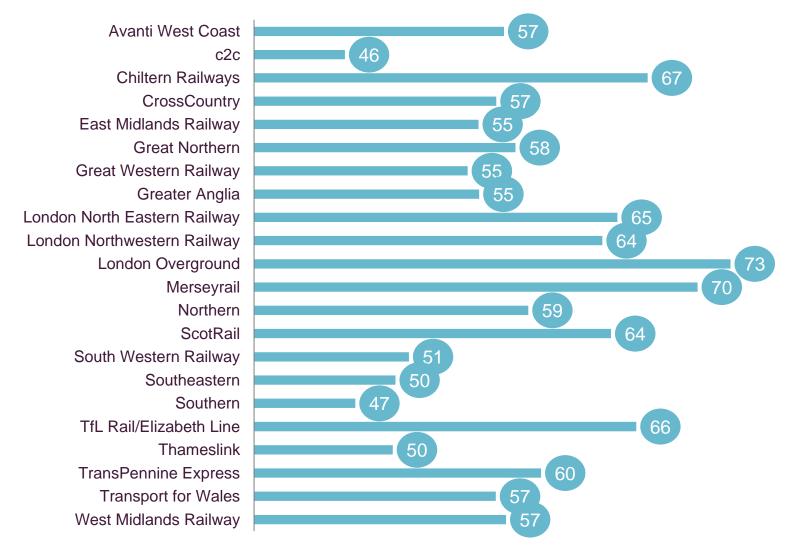
Over 24 survey waves from 1 Sept 2023 to 23 June 2024





Satisfaction with value for money by train company

Over 24 survey waves from 1 Sept 2023 to 23 June 2024









Satisfaction over time by train company

Transport Focus's Rail User Survey has been running around two and a half years. This allows us to see the trends in passenger satisfaction over time.

The charts in this section show overall satisfaction and satisfaction with six journey aspects for 15 train companies where we have sufficient sample sizes (where generally more than 75 per data point) over eight distinct 12-survey-wave periods:

- 12 Jan 3 Apr 2022
- 8 Apr 26 June 2022
- 1 July 18 Sept 2022
- 23 Sept -11 Dec 2022
- 16 Dec 2022 19 March 2023
- 26 Mar to 20 Aug 2023
- 1 Sept 2023 4 Feb 2024
- 16 Feb 23 June 2024



Overall satisfaction by 12-wave periods

10 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, 26 Mar-20 Aug 2023, 1 Sept 2023-4 Feb 2024 and 16 Feb -23 June 2024

Avanti West Coast	East Midlands Railway	Great Western Railway	Greater Anglia		
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London Nth East Railway	London Overground	Northern	ScotRail		
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South Western Railway	Southeastern	Southern	TfL Rail/Elizabeth line		
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87 89 87 88 85 86 82 85 Thameslink	87 86 87 89 89 89 84 90 Transport for Wales	87 79 77 78 78 80 80 82 West Midlands Railway			

Sample sizes: Avanti West Coast 171, 100, 124, 111, 105, 133, 178, 181; East Midlands Railway 143, 120, 121, 116, 106, 114, 127, 143; Great Western Railway 286, 187, 214, 243, 259, 265, 278, 275; Greater Anglia 238, 147, 136, 135, 142, 173, 151, 179; London North Eastern Railway 170, 126, 144, 117, 121, 152, 145, 129; London Overground 189, 120, 133, 118, 94, 147, 154, 149; Northern 341, 219, 250, 256, 259, 289, 306, 281; ScotRail 286, 163, 200, 191, 190, 224, 234, 249; South Western Railway 409, 211, 285, 254, 220, 270, 281, 304; Southeastern 392, 228, 245, 203, 191, 223, 246, 262; Southern 328, 183, 174, 177, 170, 192, 184, 192; TfL Rail/Elizabeth Line 259, 169, 157, 143, 125, 76, 96, 90; Thameslink 218, 117, 139, 141, 142, 149, 181, 169; Transport for Wales 113, 77, 89, 69, 83, 81, 95, 114; West Midlands Railway 161, 83, 89, 107, 103, 122, 132, 126.

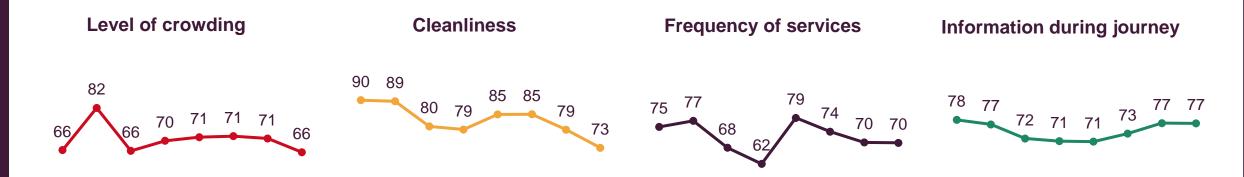


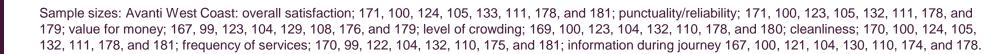
Avanti West Coast Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods

Time period dates (left to right)

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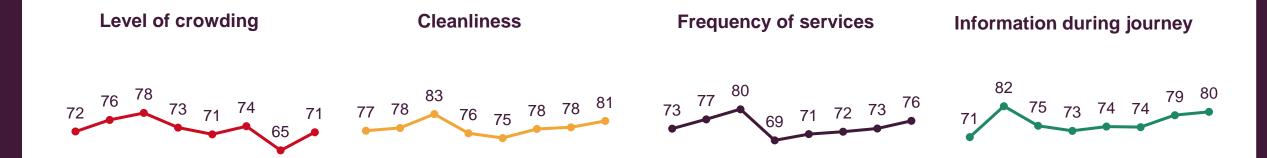


East Midlands Railway Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods

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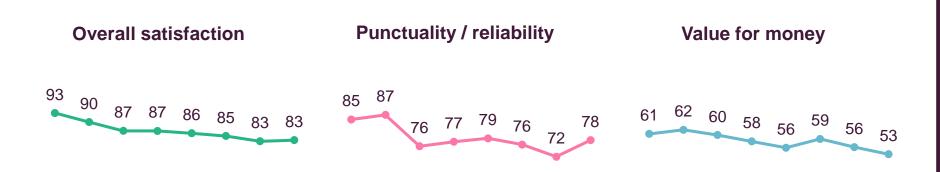


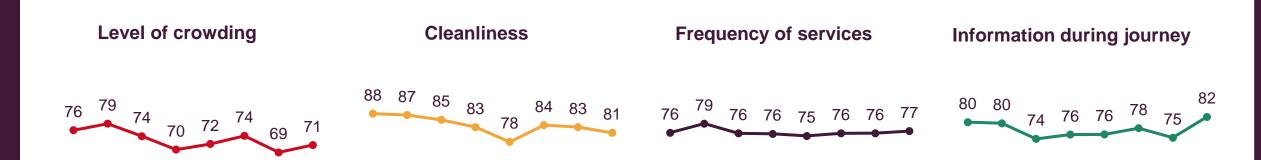
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Great Western Railway Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods

Time period dates (left to right)







Greater Anglia Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods

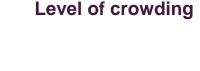
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Cleanliness

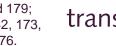


Frequency of services



Information during journey



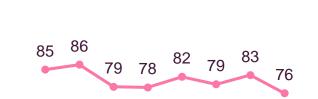


London North Eastern Railway Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods

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Overall satisfaction 94 96 90 85 86 88 89



Punctuality / reliability



Value for money





Cleanliness



Frequency of services



Information during journey



Sample sizes: London North Eastern Railway: overall satisfaction 170, 126, 144, 121, 152, 117, 145, and 129; punctuality/reliability 170, 126, 144, 121, 152, 117, 145, and 129; value for money 166, 124, 142, 120, 148, 117, 144, and 129; level of crowding 170, 126, 144, 121, 152, 117, 145, and 129; cleanliness 170, 126, 144, 121, 152, 117, 145, and 129; frequency of services 166, 121, 144, 119, 152, 117, 142, and 128; information during journey 168, 125, 142, 121, 148, 115, 143, and 128.



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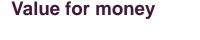
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Overall satisfaction



Punctuality / reliability





Level of crowding



Cleanliness



Frequency of services



Information during journey



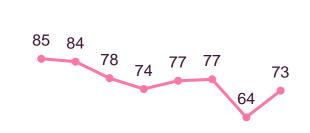


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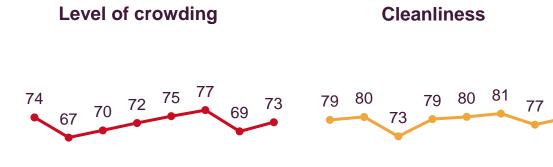


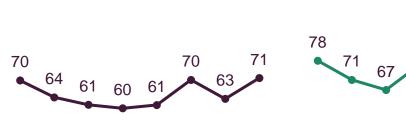
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Value for money







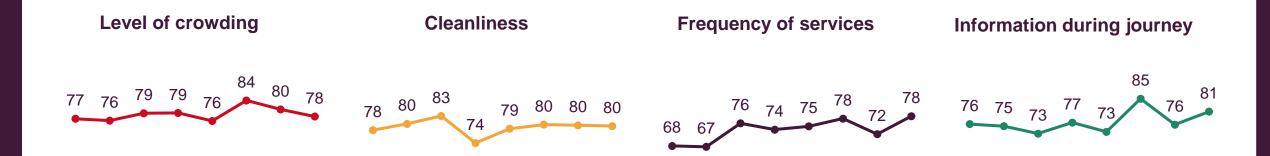
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ScotRail Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods

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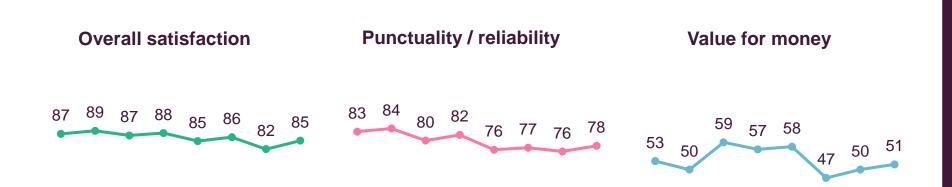


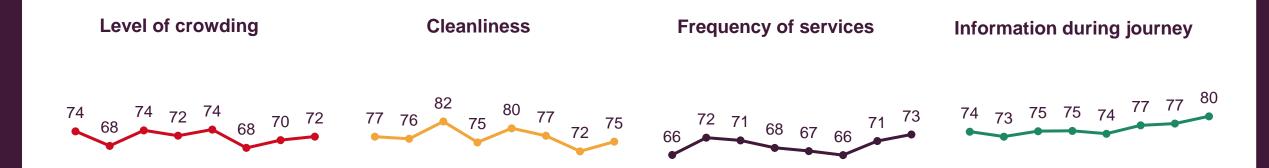




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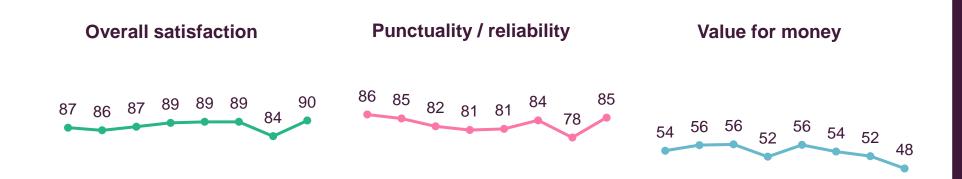


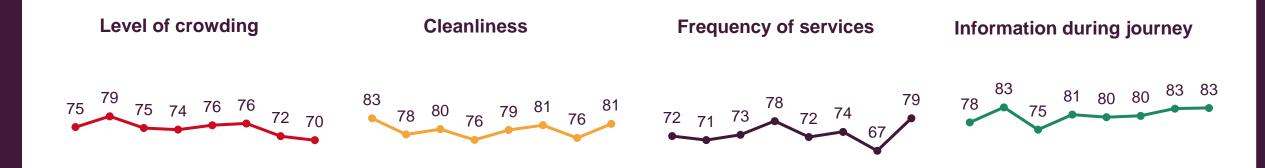




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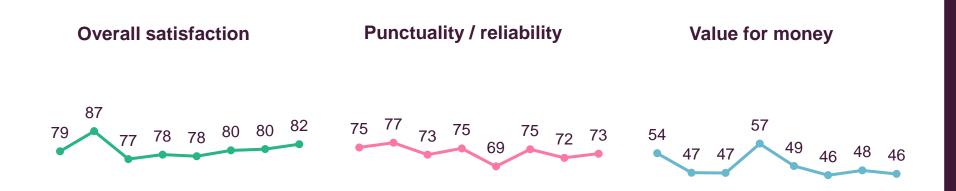


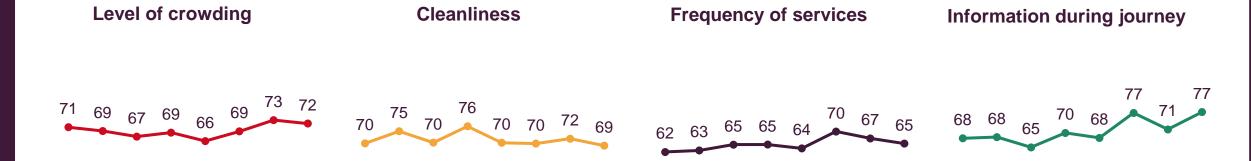




Southern Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods

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Elizabeth line / TfL Rail Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods*

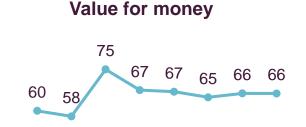
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Punctuality / reliability











Frequency of services



Information during journey



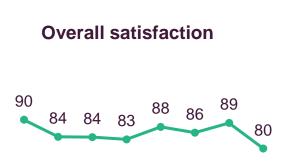
Sample sizes: TfL Rail/Elizabeth Line: overall satisfaction 259, 169, 157, 125, 76, 143, 96, and 90; punctuality/reliability 257, 168, 156, 123, 75, 142, 96, and 90; value for money 244, 153, 143, 114, 63, 133, 79, and 82; level of crowding 256, 168, 156, 125, 76, 143, 96, and 89; cleanliness 259, 168, 155, 125, 76, 143, 96, and 90; frequency of services 258, 166, 157, 125, 76, 143, 96, and 90; information during journey 241, 158, 149, 116, 75, 138, 95, and 88.



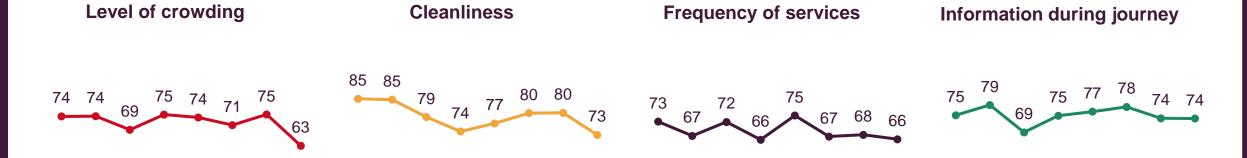
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Thameslink Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods

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Transport for Wales Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods*

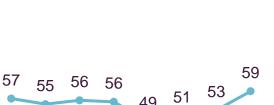
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Overall satisfaction 79 82 82 75 74 72 76



Punctuality / reliability



Value for money





Cleanliness



Frequency of services



Information during journey



Base sizes: Transport for Wales: overall satisfaction 113, 77, 89, 83, 81, 69, 95, and 114; punctuality/reliability 113, 77, 89, 82, 81, 69, 95, and 114; value for money 106, 76, 86, 80, 79, 68, 94, and 113; level of crowding 113, 77, 87, 81, 81, 67, 94, and 114; cleanliness 113, 77, 89, 82, 80, 67, 95, and 114; frequency of services 113, 77, 89, 82, 81, 69, 95, and 113; information during journey 109, 70, 88, 77, 75, 63, 91, and 112.



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West Midlands Railway Satisfaction by 12-wave time periods*

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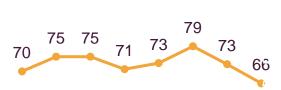
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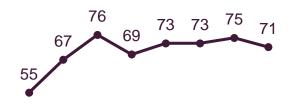
Level of crowding



Cleanliness



Frequency of services



Information during journey



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Methodology

Transport Focus's Rail User Survey is run within Yonder Consulting's omnibus. Approximately 2000 people per omnibus are screened to identify those who have made a rail journey in the last seven days and the purpose of the journey (excluding London Underground). Those that have then answer questions about satisfaction with their journey.

The survey has been run:

- weekly from 24 May 2024;
- every other week between 14 April 2023 and 12
 May 2024; and
- twice weekly between September 2021 and 2 April 2023.

Yonder Consulting's omnibus is weighted to be nationally representative of the population of Great Britain. The analysis of satisfaction questions excludes those who say that the question is not applicable. The questions that are asked are on the next slide.

Numbers may not add up to 100 per cent, due to rounding.



Questionnaire wording

(Questions included in this report in bold)

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

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

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

Answer options: Very satisfied, Fairly satisfied, Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied, Fairly dissatisfied, Very dissatisfied, Not applicable, except for 'This train journey overall' which does not have 'not applicable'



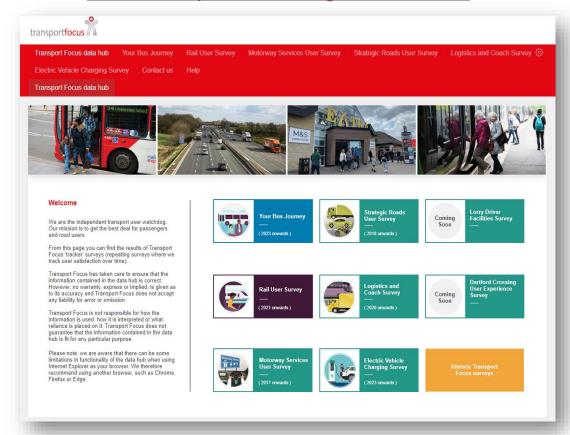
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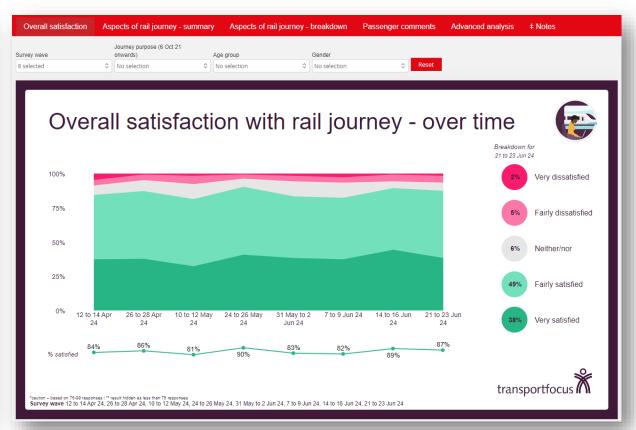
Train operating company sample sizes	Overall satisfaction	Punctuality/ reliability	Frequency of services on that route	Level of crowding	Cleanliness inside the train	Information during the journey	Value for money
Avanti West Coast	359	357	356	358	359	352	355
c2c	139	139	139	139	139	132	136
Chiltern Railways	134	134	134	134	134	130	131
CrossCountry	182	182	180	182	182	177	181
East Midlands Railway	270	269	270	269	269	265	269
Great Northern	178	178	177	177	177	175	167
Great Western Railway	553	552	550	552	552	535	549
Greater Anglia	330	330	330	329	330	323	328
London North Eastern Railway	274	274	270	274	274	271	273
London Northwestern Railway	121	121	121	121	121	116	119
London Overground	303	298	301	299	301	292	288
Merseyrail	160	160	160	159	160	152	142
Northern	587	587	583	579	586	569	576
ScotRail	483	481	482	475	482	458	482
South Western Railway	585	585	584	582	583	565	562
Southeastern	508	508	507	503	508	495	471
Southern	376	375	375	374	374	353	353
TfL Rail	186	186	186	185	186	183	161
Thameslink	350	348	348	349	348	335	333
TransPennine Express	193	192	189	192	192	189	191
Transport for Wales	209	209	208	208	209	203	207
West Midlands Railway	258	258	257	257	257	249	251



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