

# Disabled Persons Railcards

# Rail periods 1 to 4

1 April to 23 July 2022

#### 3 November 2022

#### **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.

We collect this data as part of our <u>Accessible Travel Policy</u> (ATP) compliance monitoring.

Source: Rail Delivery Group

**Latest periods:** Rail periods 1 to 4 (1 April to 23 July 2022)

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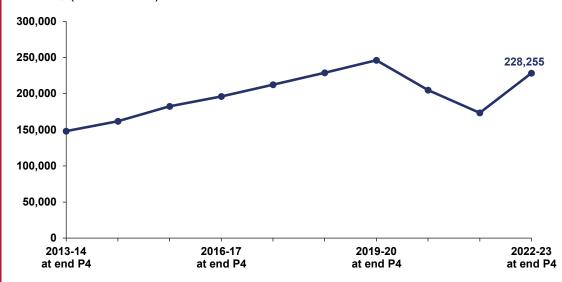
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The number of Disabled Persons Railcards (DPRC) in circulation increased in rail periods 1 to 4 compared with the same rail periods in the previous year. This reflects the <u>increase in passenger journeys</u> as pandemic restrictions have eased. The number of DPRC issued has also increased and is now almost back to pre-pandemic levels.

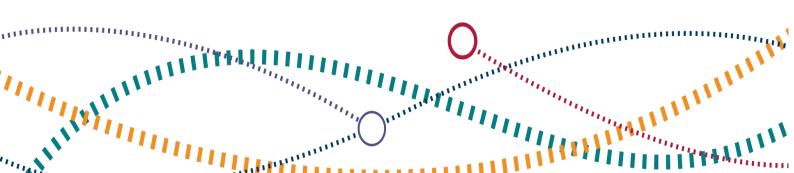
There were **228,255 DPRC** in circulation at the end of rail period 4 (23 July 2022). This is 31.7% higher than the previous year, but 7.2% lower than at the same point three years ago, before the pandemic.

Figure 1.1 The number of DPRC in circulation has increased but remains lower than before the pandemic

DPRC in circulation at the end of rail period 4 since 2013, Great Britain, (Table 4310)



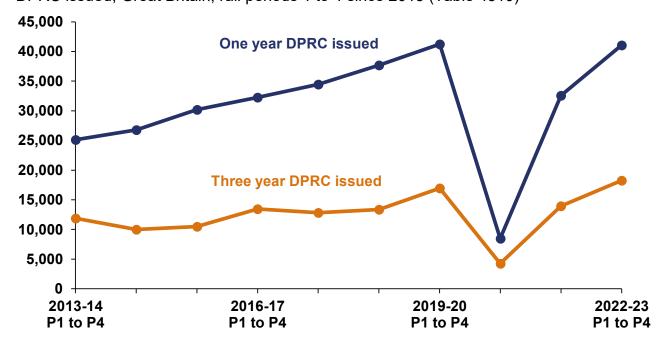
The data table, a quality and methodology report and interactive dashboard associated with this factsheet are published on the <a href="Disabled Persons Railcards page">Disabled Persons Railcards page</a> of the data portal. Key definitions are at the end of this factsheet.



Overall, **41,055** one year **DPRC** were issued during rail periods 1 to 4 of the latest year. This is 26.1% higher than the same rail periods in the previous year. However, it is 0.5% lower than the same rail periods three years ago.

There were **18,256 three year DPRC** issued during rail periods 1 to 4 of the latest year. This is 30.8% higher than the same rail periods in the previous year and 7.8% higher than the same rail periods three years ago.

Figure 1.2 The number of DPRC issued has recovered to pre-pandemic levels DPRC issued, Great Britain, rail periods 1 to 4 since 2013 (Table 4310)



### **Definitions**

- **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**

Table 4310 Disabled Persons Railcards (DPRC) in circulation and issued can be accessed on the Disabled Persons Railcards page of the data portal free of charge in OpenDocument Spreadsheet (.ods) format. The format of this table was changed in January 2022 to improve accessibility. We can also provide data in csv format on request.



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