

Testing Guide for Soldcomp-Analyser2

Sample Test Data

A sample CSV file is provided at `test/sample-data.csv` with:

- 1 target property (123 Main Street, SW1A 1AA)
- 4 comparable properties
- Complete data for testing ranking algorithm

Local Testing (Without Apify Platform)

Since this actor is designed for Apify platform, testing locally requires some modifications:

Option 1: Mock KVS for Local Testing

Create a test script that bypasses Apify KVS:

```
// test/localTest.js
const fs = require('fs');
const path = require('path');

// Mock Apify Actor for local testing
const mockActor = {
  main: (fn) => fn(),
  openKeyValueStore: async () => ({
    getValue: async (key) => {
      const filePath = path.join(__dirname, 'sample-data.csv');
      return fs.readFileSync(filePath, 'utf-8');
    },
    setValue: async (key, value) => {
      const outputPath = path.join(__dirname, 'output.csv');
      fs.writeFileSync(outputPath, value);
      console.log(`Output saved to: ${outputPath}`);
    }
  })
};

// Replace apify module
require.cache[require.resolve('apify')] = {
  exports: { Actor: mockActor, log: console }
};

// Set test environment variables
process.env.GOOGLE_API_KEY = 'your_test_google_api_key';
process.env.KV_STORE_NAME = 'test';
process.env.DATA_KEY = 'data.csv';
process.env.OUTPUT_KEY = 'output.csv';

// Run main script
require('../src/main');
```

Option 2: Test on Apify Platform

1. Upload to Apify:

```
bash
apify push
```

2. Create test KVS:

- Go to Apify Console → Storage → Key-Value Stores
- Create store: `clive.caseley/soldcomp-analyser-kvs`
- Upload `test/sample-data.csv` as `data.csv`

3. Set environment variables:

- `GOOGLE_API_KEY` : Your Google API key
- Leave other variables as defaults

4. Run actor:

- Click “Start” in Apify Console
- Monitor logs for progress
- Check output in KVS under `output.csv`

Testing Checklist

Core Functionality

- ☐ CSV parsing with header detection
- ☐ Target property detection (exactly 1 target)
- ☐ Target validation (has postcode + address)
- ☐ URL classification (Rightmove, PropertyData)
- ☐ Geocoding and distance calculation
- ☐ Ranking algorithm
- ☐ Duplicate detection
- ☐ Excel HYPERLINK generation
- ☐ Output ordering (postcode searches → EPC row → target → ranked comparables)

Error Handling

- ☐ No target found → fatal error
- ☐ Multiple targets found → fatal error
- ☐ Target missing postcode → fatal error
- ☐ Target missing address → fatal error
- ☐ Scraping failure → flag with `needs_review=1`
- ☐ Geocoding failure → flag with `needs_review=1`

Edge Cases

- ☐ Missing headers in CSV
- ☐ Inconsistent column order
- ☐ Missing data fields (should still rank with 0 score)
- ☐ Duplicate properties (should merge)
- ☐ Invalid URLs (should handle gracefully)

Manual Testing Steps

1. Test Target Detection

Test Case: Valid target

```
Address,Postcode,isTarget
123 Main St,SW1A 1AA,1
456 Oak Ave,SW1A 1AB,
```

Expected: Actor completes successfully, target identified

Test Case: No target

```
Address,Postcode
123 Main St,SW1A 1AA
456 Oak Ave,SW1A 1AB
```

Expected: Fatal error - "No target property found"

Test Case: Multiple targets

```
Address,Postcode,isTarget
123 Main St,SW1A 1AA,1
456 Oak Ave,SW1A 1AB,target
```

Expected: Fatal error - "Multiple target properties found"

Test Case: Target missing postcode

```
Address,Postcode,isTarget
123 Main St,,1
456 Oak Ave,SW1A 1AB,
```

Expected: Fatal error - "Target missing required fields"

2. Test Ranking Algorithm

Use sample-data.csv and verify:

- Properties with similar floor area score higher
- Closer properties score higher
- Exact bedroom match gets 100 points, ± 1 gets 50 points
- Recent sales score higher
- Missing data results in 0 score for that criterion

3. Test Scraping (Manual Verification)

Create a CSV with real URLs:

```
URL,isTarget
https://www.rightmove.co.uk/properties/123456789,
https://propertydata.co.uk/property/address,
123 Main Street,SW1A 1AA,target
```

Verify:

- URLs are scraped
- Data is extracted (address, price, bedrooms, etc.)
- Rate limiting is applied (check logs for delays)
- Failures are flagged with `needs_review=1`

4. Test Iterative Processing

Run 1:

- Input: `data.csv` with partial data
- Output: `output.csv` with enriched data

Run 2:

- Rename `output.csv` → `data.csv`
- Run actor again
- Verify: No duplicates, target maintained, data enriched further

Expected Output Structure

For `sample-data.csv`, expect output with:

1. **No postcode search listings** (none in sample data)
2. **EPC lookup row:** Single row with EPC search URL
3. **Target property:** 123 Main Street, SW1A 1AA, `isTarget=1`
4. **Ranked comparables:** 4 properties sorted by ranking score

Sample output columns:

Date of sale	Address	Postcode	...	Distance	Ranking	isTarget
	EPC Lookup	SW1A 1AA	...			
2023-05-15	123 Main Street	SW1A 1AA	...		1	
2023-04-10	789 Park Lane	SW1A 1AC	...	0.3mi	85	0
2023-06-20	456 Oak Avenue	SW1A 1AB	...	0.2mi	78	0
...						

Performance Expectations

- **CSV parsing:** < 5 seconds for typical files (< 500 rows)
- **Target detection:** < 1 second
- **Geocoding:** ~1-2 seconds per property (Google API)
- **Scraping:** 2-3 seconds per URL (rate limited)
- **Ranking:** < 1 second for typical datasets

Total runtime: Depends on number of URLs to scrape. Estimate:

- Base processing: ~10-20 seconds
- + (number of URLs × 2.5 seconds)
- + (number of properties × 1.5 seconds for geocoding)

Debugging Tips

1. **Check logs:** Apify provides detailed logs for each step
2. **Monitor KVS:** Check intermediate data in Key-Value Store

3. **Verify API keys:** Ensure Google API key is valid and has quota
4. **Test URLs manually:** Open URLs in browser to verify they're accessible
5. **Check CSV format:** Ensure proper CSV encoding (UTF-8)

Common Issues and Solutions

Issue	Cause	Solution
"No target property found"	Target not marked or misspelled	Check target marker in CSV
"Target missing required fields"	Missing postcode or address	Add missing data to target row
Geocoding failures	Invalid API key or quota exceeded	Check Google Cloud Console
Scraping failures	Anti-bot measures or invalid URLs	Review needs_review column
No distance calculated	GOOGLE_API_KEY not set	Set environment variable
Duplicates appearing	Inconsistent address/postcode format	Normalize data in CSV

Ready for production testing on Apify platform!