

13.2.1 The Mapbox API

Before you create any maps, you'll need to create a Mapbox account and get your access token. Sadhana is going to give you access to the company Mapbox account so you can create your own API key.

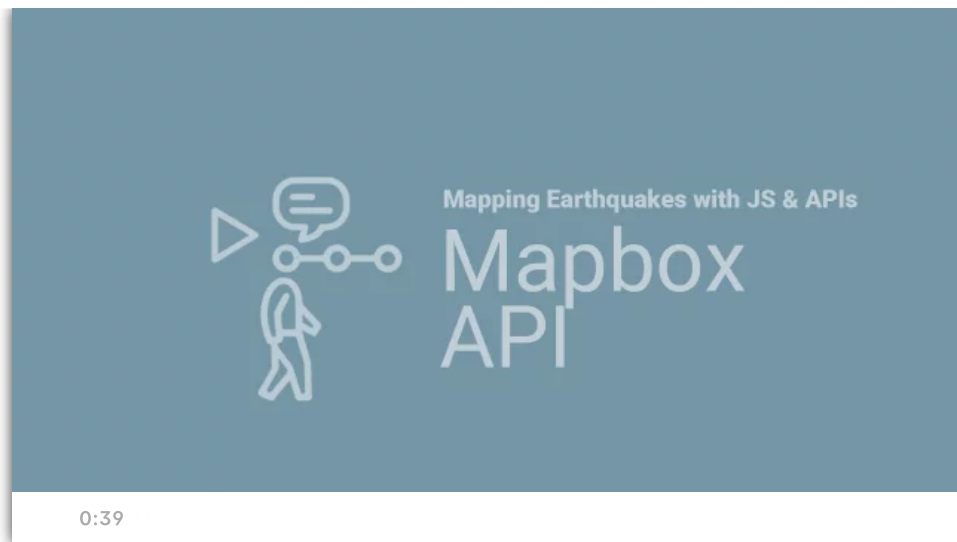
Mapbox provides custom maps for websites and applications such as Strava, Facebook, the *Financial Times*, The Weather Channel, Snapchat, and Instacart. Since October 2019, Mapbox has been generating up to 14 billion individual sensor readings daily across 100,000 map updates on connected devices.

To get started, register for a Mapbox account and get an API key.

Create a Mapbox Account

Follow the steps below to register for a Mapbox account and generate your API key so that you can render maps on the browser. Once you create an account, copy the access token and keep it somewhere safe.

The following video walks you through the process of creating your Mapbox account and generating your API key.



NOTE

Refer to [Mapbox's pricing](https://www.mapbox.com/pricing/?utm_medium=blog&utm_source=mapbox-blog&utm_campaign=blog%7Cmapbox-blog%7Cpricing%7Cnew-pricing-46b7c26166e7-19-05&utm_term=pricing&utm_content=new-pricing-46b7c26166e7) (https://www.mapbox.com/pricing/?utm_medium=blog&utm_source=mapbox-blog&utm_campaign=blog%7Cmapbox-blog%7Cpricing%7Cnew-pricing-46b7c26166e7-19-05&utm_term=pricing&utm_content=new-pricing-46b7c26166e7) for more options.

Now that you have your Mapbox API key, Sadhana will walk you through how to create a branch off the main branch where you'll add the code to create a simple map.

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