Docker Setup for Credit Card Rewards Optimizer

This document describes how to use Docker to run the Credit Card Rewards Optimizer application, consisting of the card_data_server (MCP server) and the Streamlit frontend app.

Prerequisites

- Docker and Docker Compose installed on your system
- An OpenAl API key (to be placed in the env file)

Getting Started

1. Make sure you have a valid **_env** file with your OpenAl API key:

```
# Copy the example file
cp .env.example .env

# Edit the .env file and add your OpenAI API key
nano .env # or use any text editor
```

2. Build and start the Docker containers:

```
docker-compose up -d
```

This will start both services:

- The MCP server on port 8000
- The Streamlit app on port 8501
- 3. Access the application:
 - Streamlit web interface: http://localhost:8501
 - MCP server endpoint: http://localhost:8000
- 4. To view the logs:

```
# View logs for both services
docker-compose logs -f

# View logs for a specific service
docker-compose logs -f card-data-server
docker-compose logs -f streamlit-app
```

5. To stop the containers:

docker-compose down

Configuration

You can modify the environment variables in the env file to customize your deployment:

- OPENAI_API_KEY: Your OpenAl API key
- OPENAI_MODEL: The OpenAl model to use (default: gpt-4o-2024-08-06)
- VECTOR_DB_TYPE: The vector database type (default: chroma)
- VECTOR_DB_PATH: The path to the vector database (default: ./data/vector_db)
- DEBUG_MODE: Whether to enable debug mode (default: false)
- STREAMLIT_THEME_BASE: Light or dark theme for Streamlit (default: light)

Data Persistence

The Docker setup mounts the following directories as volumes:

- ./data: Contains the vector database and other data files
- ./logs: Contains the application logs

This ensures that your data persists even if the containers are removed.

Running Services Individually

If you need to run only one of the services:

```
# Run only the MCP server
docker-compose up -d card-data-server

# Run only the Streamlit app
docker-compose up -d streamlit-app
```

Building the Docker Image Directly

If you prefer to build the Docker image directly without Docker Compose:

```
# Build the image
docker build -t credit-card-optimizer .

# Run the MCP server
docker run -d --name card-data-server \
    -p 8000:8000 \
    -v $(pwd)/data:/app/data \
    -v $(pwd)/logs:/app/logs \
    --env-file .env \
    credit-card-optimizer
```

```
# Run the Streamlit app
docker run -d --name streamlit-app \
    -p 8501:8501 \
    -v $(pwd)/data:/app/data \
    -v $(pwd)/logs:/app/logs \
    --env-file .env \
    -e STREAMLIT_SERVER_PORT=8501 \
    -e STREAMLIT_SERVER_HEADLESS=true \
    credit-card-optimizer python app.py
```

Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues:

1. Check the container logs:

```
docker-compose logs
```

- 2. Ensure your env file contains a valid OpenAl API key
- 3. Make sure the required data directories exist:

```
mkdir -p data/vector_db logs
```

- 4. If the Streamlit app can't connect to the MCP server, ensure that:
 - The MCP server container is running
 - The app is configured to connect to the correct MCP server endpoint
- 5. If services aren't responding, try restarting the containers:

```
docker-compose restart
```