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[Parse.ly](#) provides web analyses and content optimization for online publishers by partnering with them to provide clear audience insights through intuitive analytics.

Getting Started

1 From the Segment web app, click **Catalog**.

2 Search for "Parse.ly" in the Catalog, select it, and choose which of your sources to connect the destination to.

3 Enter your Domain and enable the destination in Segment. (To enable this destination, you use your Parse.ly

website domain as your API key.)

Segment automatically starts sending data from the source you selected.

When you enable Parse.ly from the Segment web app, your changes appear in the Segment CDN in about 45 minutes, and then Analytics.js starts asynchronously loading Parse.ly's JavaScript onto your page.

Remember to remove the Parse.ly native snippet from your page.

Parse.ly is more useful when you implement JSON-LD metadata across your website as described in Parse.ly's [Metadata: Setup and configuration](#) documentation.

Page

By default, unless you are using [Dynamic Tracking](#), Parse.ly automatically tracks pageviews in the background, so you do not need to track them separately with Segment's Page method.

If you are using dynamic tracking, you must explicitly let us know in your [integration settings](#). If this setting is enabled, we will disable Parse.ly's autotracking functionality and begin sending their API pageview events only in response to `analytics.page()` events.

Note: You can only track pageviews if you are using the Parse.ly destination with our JavaScript Analytics.js library, and not using our server side integration with Parse.ly.

Identify

If you're not familiar with the Segment Specs, take a look to understand what the [Identify method](#) does. An example call would look like:

```
analytics.identify('ze8rt1u89', {
  name: 'Zaphod Kim',
  gender: 'Male',
  email: 'jane.kim@example.com',
  phone: '1-401-826-4421',
  address: {
    city: 'San Francisco',
    state: 'Ca',
    postalCode: '94107'
  }
});
```

Track

You must adhere to our [video tracking spec](#) (and have video tracking enabled in Parse.ly) in order to use this functionality.

Video tracking is possible with either web or server sources.

Group

If you're not familiar with the Segment Specs, take a look to understand what the [Group method](#) does. An example call would look like:

```
analytics.group("0e8c78ea9d97a7b8185e8632", {
  name: "Initech",
  industry: "Technology",
  employees: 329,
  plan: "enterprise",
  "total billed": 830
});
```

Alias

If you're not familiar with the Segment Specs, take a look to understand what the [Alias method](#) does. An example call would look like:

```
analytics.alias("507f191e81");
```

Mapping custom properties to semantic Parse.ly properties

If you'd like to map certain semantic Parse.ly properties to your own custom properties (ones that do not abide by Segment's [Page spec](#)), you can define your mappings in your Segment destination settings. You can put the name of your Segment property on the left and the Parse.ly property on the right hand side.

Segment supports mapping the following Parse.ly properties (make sure you spell these correctly on the right hand side of this setting.):

- articleSection
- thumbnailUrl
- dateCreated
- headline
- keywords
- creator
- url

Note: This feature only works if you also have enabled **Enable In-Pixel Metadata** and **Enable Dynamic Tracking**.

Video Content Started

When a user starts playback of a video, you should use Segment's [Video Content Started](#) event. Segment maps the properties from the Video Content Started event to the following Parse.ly video metadata fields:

Parse.ly Parameter	Segment Property	Data Type
videoid	properties.assetId	String
metadata.title	properties.title	String
metadata.image_url	context.integrations.Parsely.imageUrl	String
metadata.pub_date_tmstp	properties.airdate	String
metadata.section	properties.genre	String
metadata.authors	properties.publisher	String
metadata.tags	context.integrations.Parsely.tags	Array
urlOverride	context.page.url	String

Because `tags` and `imageUrl` are not recognized as properties of a standard Video Content Started event, we ask that you pass those as integration specific options.

Example

```
analytics.track('Video Content Started', {
  assetId: '12345',
  title: 'Magic Eye: The optical illusion, explained',
  airdate: 'Tue May 16 2017 17:02:05 GMT-0700 (PDT)',
  genre: 'Science',
  publisher: 'Vox'
}, {
  integrations: {
    Parse.ly: {
      imageUrl: 'https://cdn.cloudfront.com/images/image_file.png'
      tags: ['tags', 'go', 'here']
    }
  }
});
```

Video Playback Paused

When a user pauses playback of a video, you should use our [Video Playback Paused](#) event. Assuming the Pause event happens after a Video Content Started event, we will automatically map the video metadata for you.

Video Playback Interrupted

When a playback of a video is interrupted, you should use our [Video Playback Interrupted](#) event. This event just takes an `assetId` and maps to Parse.ly's `reset` method (documented in the Parse.ly [Video Tracking](#) documentation).

Note: this event is only relevant for web tracking. Our server side integration does not support this event.

Parsely Parameter	Segment Property	Data Type
videoid	properties.assetId	String

Example

```
analytics.track('Video Playback Paused', {
  assetId: '12345'
  // Feel free to pass as many other properties as you like here.
  // This is just an example showing what Parse.ly will receive.
});
```

Video Content Playing

(Note: this event is only required for server side tracking)

When using Parse.ly on the web using our JavaScript SDK, video heartbeats are captured by their SDK automatically. However, if you are using this destination with a Server side source, you must pass heartbeat events manually using our [Video Content Playing](#) event.

Important: These events must be sent in 10 second increments.

The only required property is the video's `assetId`.

Example:

```
analytics.track({
  userId: '019mr8mf4r',
  event: 'Video Content Playing',
  properties: {
    sessionId: '12345',
    assetId: '0129370',
    podId: 'segA',
    title: 'Interview with Tony Robbins',
    description: 'short description',
    keywords: ['entrepreneurship', 'motivation'],
    season: '2',
    episode: '177',
    genre: 'entrepreneurship',
    program: 'Tim Ferris Show',
    publisher: 'Tim Ferris',
    position: 20,
    totalLength: 360,
    channel: 'espn',
    fullEpisode: true,
    livestream: false,
    airdate: '1991-08-13'
  }
});
```

Video Content Completed

This event is only required for server side tracking.

To track the completion of a video, use our [Video Content Completed](#) event.

Make sure you are sending at minimum, `assetId`, `totalLength`, and `position` as properties.

Example:

```
analytics.track({
  userId: '019mr8mf4r',
  event: 'Video Content Completed',
  properties: {
    sessionId: '12345',
    assetId: '0129370',
    podId: 'segA',
    title: 'Interview with Tony Robbins',
    description: 'short description',
    keywords: ['entrepreneurship', 'motivation'],
    season: '2',
    episode: '177',
    genre: 'entrepreneurship',
    program: 'Tim Ferris Show',
    publisher: 'Tim Ferris',
    position: 20,
    totalLength: 360,
    channel: 'espn',
    fullEpisode: true,
    livestream: false,
    airdate: '1991-08-13'
  }
});
```

Track URL

The destination does not currently support Parsely's `trackURL` method. [contact Segment](#) if this is important to you.


Engage

You can send computed traits and audiences generated using [Engage](#) to this destination as a **user property**. To learn more about Engage, schedule a [demo](#).

For user-property destinations, an [identify](#) call is sent to the destination for each user being added and removed. The property name is the snake_cased version of the audience name, with a true/false value to indicate membership. For example, when a user first completes an order in the last 30 days, Engage sends an Identify call with the property `order_completed_last_30days: true`. When the user no longer satisfies this condition

(for example, it’s been more than 30 days since their last order), Engage sets that value to `false`.

When you first create an audience, Engage sends an Identify call for every user in that audience. Later audience syncs only send updates for users whose membership has changed since the last sync.

**Real-time to batch destination sync frequency**

Real-time audience syncs to Parse.ly may take six or more hours for the initial sync to complete. Upon completion, a sync frequency of two to three hours is expected.

Settings

Segment lets you change these destination settings from the Segment app without having to touch any code.

SETTING	DESCRIPTION
Domain <i>(required)</i>	<code>string</code> . Parse.ly’s required API Key should be your website domain. (ie. segment.com)
Map Custom Page Properties	<code>text-map</code> , defaults to <code>{}</code> . Map your custom <code>.page()</code> property names on the left and semantic Parse.ly properties on the right.
Enable Dynamic Tracking	<code>boolean</code> , defaults to <code>FALSE</code> . If you enable Dynamic Tracking, Segment will disable Parse.ly autotracking and instead explicitly proxy your <code>page()</code> calls to Parse.ly. This feature is recommended if you want Segment to pass additional <code>pageview</code> metadata collected with your <code>.page()</code> properties through to Parse.ly. See here for more information.
Enable In-Pixel Metadata	<code>boolean</code> , defaults to <code>FALSE</code> . If you enable In-Pixel Metadata, Segment will map page properties to Parse.ly’s <code>metadata</code> format, allowing you to eschew their out-of-band metadata crawling. This has tradeoffs and is not the recommended approach — please be sure to check with your Parse.ly rep prior to enabling this setting. Requires Dynamic Tracking to be set to <code>true</code> .
Track Events	<code>boolean</code> , defaults to <code>FALSE</code> . Parse.ly can track custom events, but does not surface these events in their Dashboard or UI. If you’d like your Segment <code>track()</code> calls to flow to Parse.ly’s Raw Data Pipeline product, enable this setting. See here for more information.

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