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#### Additional versions of this destination are available

This page is about the Mixpanel (Actions) Destination. See below for information about other versions of the Mixpanel destination:

Mixpanel (Classic)

Mixpanel enables you to build better products through powerful, self-serve product analytics to help you convert, engage, and retain more users.

# **Benefits of Mixpanel (Actions) vs Mixpanel Classic**

Mixpanel (Actions) provides the following benefits over the classic Mixpanel destination:

**Simpler setup** - Mixpanel (Actions) has a streamlined default setup process making it easier to get started in a way that "just works".

**More control** - Actions-based destinations enable you to define the mapping between the data Segment receives from your source, and the data Segment sends to the destination.

Additional default property mappings - More default mappings from the Segment context like app name,

app namespace, device type, and more.

**Improved Groups support** - Implementation of Segment Groups with Mixpanel Group Analytics is easier. If you're already using Segment Groups, no code changes are required.

**E-commerce mappings** - Mixpanel (Actions) accepts products nested within arrays in the Order Completed event as described in the Segment ecommerce spec.

**Batching Requests** - If you have a lot of events, Mixpanel (Actions) provides more efficient way to receive and process those large sets of data.

# **Getting started**

Co to your Mixpanel project settings. Copy the Mixpanel API Key and API Secret for your project.

**2**rom the Segment web app, click **Catalog**, then click **Destinations**.

**Bind** the Destinations Actions item in the left navigation, and click it.

Click the "Mixpanel" item to select it and click Configure.

**5**hoose which of your sources to connect the destination to. (You can connect more sources to the destination later.)

### **Connection Modes for Mixpanel (Actions) destination**

The Mixpanel (Actions) destination does not offer a device-mode connection mode. If you're using one of Segment's new libraries (Analytics.js 2.0, Swift or Kotlin) with the Actions-framework version of the destination, you do not need the device-mode connection.

# **Destination Settings**

SETTING	DESCRIPTION
Data Residency	Learn about EU data residency and India data residency
Secret Key	Required. Mixpanel project secret.
Project Token	Required. Mixpanel project token.
Source Name	This value, if it's not blank, will be sent as segment_source_name to Mixpanel for every event/page/screen call.
Strict Mode	This value, if it's 1 (recommended), Mixpanel will validate the events you are trying to send and return errors per event that failed. Learn more about the Mixpanel Import Events API

# **Available Presets**

Mixpanel (Actions) has the following presets:

PRESET NAME	TRIGGER	DEFAULT ACTION
Page Calls	Event type = "page"	Track Event
Track Calls	Event type = "track" and event != "Order Completed"	Track Event
Identify Calls	Event type = "identify"	Identify User
Group Calls	Event type = "group"	Group Identify User

PRESET NAME	TRIGGER	DEFAULT ACTION
Order Completed Calls	Event type = "track" and event = "Order Completed"	Track Purchase
Screen Calls	Event type = "screen"	Track Event

# **Available Actions**

Build your own Mappings. Combine supported triggers with the following Mixpanel-supported actions:



#### **Mapping limits per destination**

Individual destination instances have support a maximum of 50 mappings.

Alias

**Group Identify User** 

Track Event

**Identify User** 

Track Purchase

**Increment Properties** 

#### Alias

Create an alias to a distinct id. This action is primarily supported for the sake of customers using the legacy identity management in their Mixpanel project. For new customers or those who have migrated to the new identity management in Mixpanel should use identify.

Alias is a **Cloud** action.

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FIELD	DESCRIPTION
Alias	Type: STRING A new distinct id to be merged with the original distinct id. Each alias can only map to one distinct id.
Distinct ID	Type: STRING A distinct id to be merged with the alias.

# **Group Identify User**

Updates or adds properties to a group profile. The profile is created if it does not exist. Learn more about Group Analytics.

Group Identify User is a **Cloud** action. The default Trigger is: type = "group"

FIELD	DESCRIPTION
Group Key	Type: STRING The group key you specified in Mixpanel under Project settings. If this is not specified, it will be defaulted to "\$group_id".
Group ID *	Type: STRING The unique identifier of the group. If there is a trait that matches the group key, it will override this value.

FIELD	DESCRIPTION
Group Properties	Type: OBJECT The properties to set on the group profile.

In the default configuration, Mixpanel (Actions) triggers this action when it receives a Group call.



Group Analytics is available as an add-on package to customers on Growth and Enterprise plans.

This action sets or updates the properties of specific groups. Use this when you want to update properties on a group profile.

The Groups model in Segment is slightly different than in Mixpanel. To explain the conceptual difference, it may help to think in terms of database tables. In Segment, there is a single "groups" table. You can have as many group rows as you want and each row has a unique identifier. When you want to set traits on that group, you only need to know the group id.

However, in Segment you cannot distinguish between "types" of groups. For example, a user can belong to a "Company" as well as a "Team". There is no way to differentiate between those in Segment. In Mixpanel, you can have multiple group types which are defined by a group key. To update group traits in Mixpanel you need to specify the group key and group id.

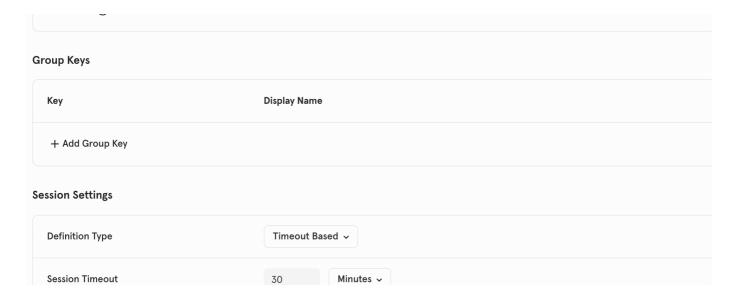
### **Default group key**

By default, the Mixpanel (Actions) destination uses \$group\_id as the group key. Create a new group in Mixpanel with \$group\_id as the group key to complete the configuration.

Co to your Mixpanel project settings

**3**croll to the "Group Keys" section. If this section doesn't exist, you may not have the Group Analytics add-on.

**Greate** the new group key:



# Using a different group key

If you already have a group set up in Mixpanel with a different group key and wish to use that one, you can specify it in the Group Key field of the destination configuration.

#### **Backwards-compatibility with Mixpanel Classic destination**

In the classic destination, the "group id" specified in the Segment SDK call was ignored and you were required

to set a trait where the key of the trait is the group key and the value of that trait is the group id. While that is no longer necessary, this behavior is supported in the Mixpanel (Actions) destination to ensure backwards-compatibility. If you specify a trait that matches specified group key, Mixpanel uses the value of that trait as the group id.

#### Scenario 1: No group key trait specified

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

The group id that Mixpanel will use is 0e8c78ea9d97a7b8185e8632.

#### Scenario 2: Group key trait IS specified

```
analytics.group("0e8c78ea9d97a7b8185e8632", {
    $group_id: "12345",
    name: "Initech",
    industry: "Technology",
    employees: 329,
    plan: "enterprise",
    "total billed": 830
});
```

The group id that Mixpanel will use is 12345.



The below special traits will be mapped to Mixpanel reserved properties automatically to fit Mixpanel's use cases.

traits.name -> \$name.

## **Track Event**

Send an event to Mixpanel. Learn more about Events in Mixpanel

Track Event is a **Cloud** action. The default Trigger is: type = "track"

FIELD	DESCRIPTION
Event Name *	Type: STRING The name of the action being performed.
Distinct ID	Type: STRING A distinct ID specified by you.
Anonymous ID	Type: STRING A distinct ID randomly generated prior to calling identify.
User ID	Type: STRING The distinct ID after calling identify.
Group ID	Type: STRING The unique identifier of the group that performed this event.
Insert ID	Type: STRING A random id that is unique to an event. Mixpanel uses \$insert_id to deduplicate events.
Timestamp	Type: DATETIME  The timestamp of the event. Mixpanel expects epoch timestamp in millisecond or second. Please note, Mixpanel only accepts this field as the timestamp. If the field is empty, it will be set to the time Mixpanel servers receive it.

FIELD	DESCRIPTION
App Name	Type: STRING The name of your application.
App Namespace	Type: STRING The namespace of your application.
App Build	Type: STRING The current build of your application.
App Version	Type: STRING The current version of your application.
OS Name	Type: STRING The name of the mobile operating system or browser that the user is using.
OS Version	Type: STRING The version of the mobile operating system or browser the user is using.
Device ID	Type: STRING A unique identifier for the device the user is using.
Device Type	Type: STRING The type of the user's device.
Device Name	Type: STRING The name of the user's device.
Device Manufacturer	Type: STRING The device manufacturer that the user is using.
Device Model	Type: STRING The device model that the user is using.
Bluetooth Enabled	Type: BOOLEAN Whether bluetooth is enabled.
Carrier	Type: STRING The carrier that the user is using.
Cellular Enabled	Type: BOOLEAN Whether cellular is enabled.
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# **Identify User**

Set the user ID for a particular device ID or update user properties. Learn more about User Profiles and Identity Management.

Identify User is a **Cloud** action. The default Trigger is: type = "identify"

FIELD	DESCRIPTION
IP Address	Type: STRING The IP address of the user. This is only used for geolocation and won't be stored.
User ID	Type: STRING The unique user identifier set by you
Anonymous ID	Type: STRING The generated anonymous ID for the user

FIELD	DESCRIPTION
User Properties	Type: OBJECT Properties to set on the user profile



Segment maps the userId set in the identify event to the distinct ID in Mixpanel. Segment also maps the following traits to Mixpanel reserved properties to fit Mixpanel's use cases: traits.created -> \$created, traits.email -> \$email,

traits.firstName -> \$first\_name, traits.lastName -> \$last\_name, traits.name -> \$name, traits.username -> \$username and
traits.phone -> \$phone.

## **Track Purchase**

Send an 'Order Completed' Event to Mixpanel.

Track Purchase is a **Cloud** action. The default Trigger is: type = "track"

FIELD	DESCRIPTION
Generate Purchase Event Per Product	Type: BOOLEAN When enabled, send "Product Purchased" with each product within the event.
Distinct ID	Type: STRING A distinct ID specified by you.
Anonymous ID	Type: STRING A distinct ID randomly generated prior to calling identify.
User ID	Type: STRING The distinct ID after calling identify.
Group ID	Type: STRING The unique identifier of the group that performed this event.
Insert ID	Type: STRING A random id that is unique to an event. Mixpanel uses \$insert_id to deduplicate events.
Timestamp	Type: DATETIME  The timestamp of the event. Mixpanel expects epoch timestamp in millisecond or second. Please note, Mixpanel only accepts this field as the timestamp. If the field is empty, it will be set to the time Mixpanel servers receive it.
App Name	Type: STRING The name of your application.
App Namespace	Type: STRING The namespace of your application.
App Build	Type: STRING The current build of your application.
App Version	Type: STRING The current version of your application.
OS Name	Type: STRING The name of the mobile operating system or browser that the user is using.
OS Version	Type: STRING The version of the mobile operating system or browser the user is using.
Device ID	Type: STRING A unique identifier for the device the user is using.

FIELD	DESCRIPTION
Device Type	Type: STRING The type of the user's device.
Device Name	Type: STRING The name of the user's device.
Device Manufacturer	Type: STRING The device manufacturer that the user is using.
Device Model	Type: STRING The device model that the user is using.
Bluetooth Enabled	Type: B00LEAN Whether bluetooth is enabled.
Carrier	Type: STRING The carrier that the user is using.
Cellular Enabled	Type: BOOLEAN Whether cellular is enabled.

When set Generate Purchase Event Per Product to true, this setting effectively "flattens" the array of objects in the Order Completed's products property by tracking a Product Purchased event for each item in the array. This enables more sophisticated analysis on a per-product basis in Mixpanel. These Product Purchased events will contain all of the key-value pairs from their respective object in the products array as event properties, along with the order\_id and checkout\_id from the Order Completed event.

### **Increment Properties**

Increment the value of a user profile property. Learn More.

Increment Properties is a **Cloud** action. The default Trigger is: type = "track"

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FIELD	DESCRIPTION
IP Address	Type: STRING The IP address of the user. This is only used for geolocation and won't be stored.
User ID	Type: STRING The unique user identifier set by you
Anonymous ID	Type: STRING The generated anonymous ID for the user
Increment Numerical Properties *	Type: OBJECT Object of properties and the values to increment or decrement. For example: `{"purchases": 1, "items": 6}}.



#### **Anonymous ID format**

Mixpanel requires that values it receives for the anonymous identifier (anonymousId in Segment) must be in the UUID v4 format. Analytics.js sends anonymousId in this format by default. If you manually send anonymous identifiers to Mixpanel, ensure they are in the correct format.

# **Migration from Mixpanel Classic**

Assuming you're already using Segment Cloud-mode, the Mixpanel (Actions) destination is expected to have no breaking changes when upgrading. With the exception of a few new properties added to your events in the new

Actions destination, there should be no difference in the data received in Mixpanel when using either of the Mixpanel destinations.

If you want to confirm, you can configure the new destination to point to a different Mixpanel project and connect it to the same source(s) as the Classic destination and manually verify before fully switching over.



Contact Mixpanel support if you find features missing from the Mixpanel (Actions) destination that were available in the classic Mixpanel destination.

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# **Troubleshooting**

#### Track events are not attributed to Mixpanel Groups

If the Mixpanel (Actions) destination uses \$group\_id as the group key, ensure that the mappings handling your track events have the field for **Group ID** mapped to a valid value. By default, this field maps to the event variable context.groupId.

To send Track events with a custom Group Key, include the key as a property of Track events. For example:

```
analytics.track('Example Event', { custom_group_key : 'group1' });
```

#### Failed events due to timestamp

If your integration is correct and you are still seeing failed events, review and verify that you are sending all date properties as UTC time format, due to Mixpanel timestamp format requirements.

#### Failed events due to messageId

Segment maps the messageId of a Segment event to Mixpanel's insert\_id value. If you are generating your own messageId, ensure the format complies with Mixpanel's insert\_id requirements. For more information, see Mixpanel's Import Events documentation.

Failing to generate a messageId that complies with Mixpanel's insert\_id standard might result in a 400 Bad Request error from Mixpanel.

# Why is Boardman, Oregon appearing in my users' profile location field?

If you are seeing traffic from Boardman or see Segment as the browser, you might be sending server side calls to your Mixpanel (Actions) destination. To correctly populate your users' profile location field, manually pass the

IP information in the context object from the server.

# Why is the Operating System field empty in Mixpanel?

Mixpanel captures the Operating System field from the "OS Name" field in Segment. For Analytics.js sources, ensure that context.userAgentData.platform is correctly mapped to the "OS Name" field in your destination mappings. If this mapping is missing or misconfigured, the Operating System field may appear empty in Mixpanel.

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