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Qwant Maps, the privacy-friendly European mapping service, continues its development by integrating public transport routes

- Qwant Maps, Qwant's mapping service, now offers a wider range of itineraries: by car, by bike, on foot and now by public transport for journeys in town.
- Qwant Maps, developed in opensource, is strengthened by a partnership with the French company Hove, a specialist in mobility solutions.
- **Qwant Maps** respects the privacy of its users by not storing their history or location data.

Qwant Maps now offers public transport routes while respecting the privacy of its users

By performing a route search on <u>Qwant Maps</u>, The user can now choose between four modes of transportation: by car, on foot, by bicycle and now by public transport, whether by bus, streetcar or metro. Several routes per mode can be proposed, highlighting the fastest solution.

<u>Qwant</u> meets a growing demand: 60% of French people regularly use public transport to get around, and even 75% in the Paris area (Study by the Mobility Observatory, 2021).

It is with the French actor Hove (ex. Kisio Digital) that <u>Qwant</u> has partnered to launch this new feature. Owned by Keolis, Hove, recognized in B2B solutions related to mobility, offers a wide geographical coverage and provides quality data.

Public transport routes are available in major cities in France and in the largest European cities (exhaustive list available here).

With <u>Qwant Maps</u>, It is possible to search for itineraries, but also to find an address, a business or, if the user authorizes geolocation on his or her device, a point of interest nearby, thanks to data provided by OpenStreetMap or TripAdvisor, for example. Always respecting the privacy of its users, Qwant does not store any geolocation data.

Qwant is available on desktop and on mobile: https://www.qwant.com/maps.

Qwant Maps, the open source service that respects users' location data

Committed to respecting the personal data of its users, <u>Qwant Maps</u> does not keep any search or travel history of its users and does not perform any trip analysis.

When geolocation is enabled, Qwant Maps does not keep track of the device's location once the search is complete.

Since its launching, <u>Qwant Maps</u> is designed and developed in an open source approach by collaborating with partners such as OpenStreetMap for the mapping and Mapbox and Hove for the routes. The company also makes its own application code available as open source. Qwant's collaborative approach allows it to develop a more complete and relevant solution while improving the user experience.

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About Qwant

Developed in France and leader in Europe, Qwant is the search engine that respects the privacy of its users by not collecting any personal data.

Qwant develops its own web indexing technology, designed to provide unbiased, exhaustive and unprofiled search results. Qwant provides a search service with zero search tracking, zero advertising tracking and zero sale of personal data.

In addition to <u>Qwant Search</u>, <u>Qwant Maps</u>, a mapping service, and <u>Qwant Junior</u>, a search engine dedicated to 6-12 years old, Qwant offers <u>Qwant VIPrivacy</u>, a browser extension that allows users to browse the web without being subject to ad tracking.

Qwant is available on web: <u>www.qwant.com</u>, or thanks to browser extensions. The browser Qwantis available on iOS and Android mobile applications.

Qwant has 6 million monthly users.

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