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Mass Cyberattack Disrupts Online Services for Russian Railways

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Leningradsky Railway Station in Moscow. **Kirill Zykov / Moskva News Agency**

Russian Railways said Tuesday its website and mobile app were knocked offline by a cyberattack, the first such incident since last summer.

The state-owned rail company said ticket offices were unaffected, and sales at train stations continued as usual.

"Our website and mobile application have been subjected to a mass DDoS attack," Russian Railways said on Telegram. "We're working to restore access as soon as possible."

The attack comes a day after Moscow's Transportation Department reported "technical work" disruptions with the Moscow Metro app.

However, Russian media reported that the Metro app and website may have also been hit by a denial-of-service attack, with a Ukrainian-language message from Ukrainian Railways briefly appearing on the Metro website.

Separately on Monday, the governor of Russia's Belgorod region, near the border with Ukraine, claimed a DDoS attack on the Rostelecom provider disrupted the regional administration's weekly livestream.

Russian Railways previously reported large-scale cyberattacks in July 2024 and February 2022, with services restored within hours.

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