Mapping the Unmapped World with Mapillary

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Mapillary is the street-level imagery platform that scales and automates mapping





The world is changing quickly

The total area covered by cities across the world is set to triple over the next 40 years, fueling the need for a faster and scalable way to update maps



Credit: Urban Hub





Scaling and automating maps with cameras

Problem

Traditional maps struggle to keep up with how quickly the world is changing

Solution

- → Scale by opening up data collection to any camera, anywhere
- → Automate with computer vision to speed up map data extraction

Status

Converting imagery to map data at scale is now a necessary core component in mapping



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Any camera, anywhere











Phone

Action cam

Dashcam

Vehicle cameras

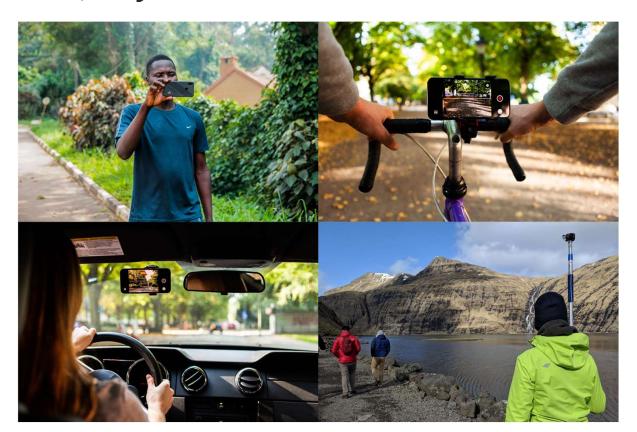
Pro rig







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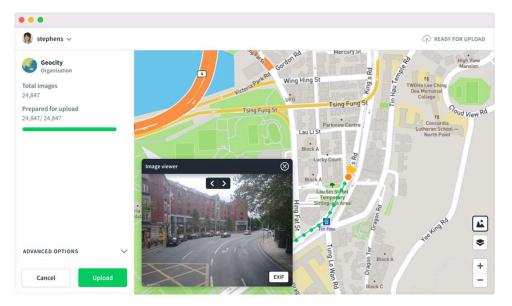




Simple upload process



Capture and upload directly on the Mapillary mobile apps or use the Desktop Uploader with your own cameras





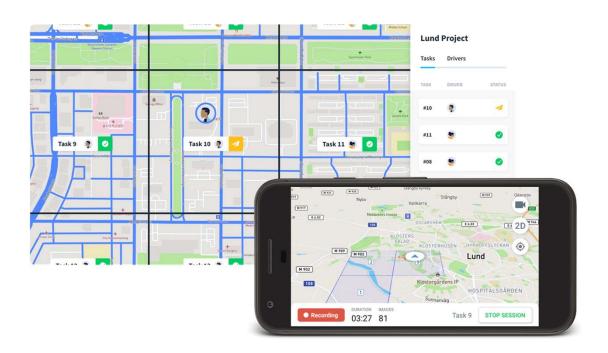




Capture Projects

Optimize data collection:

- → Designate your area of interest
- → Divide the area into smaller tasks
- → Assign tasks to team members
- → Follow your team's progress

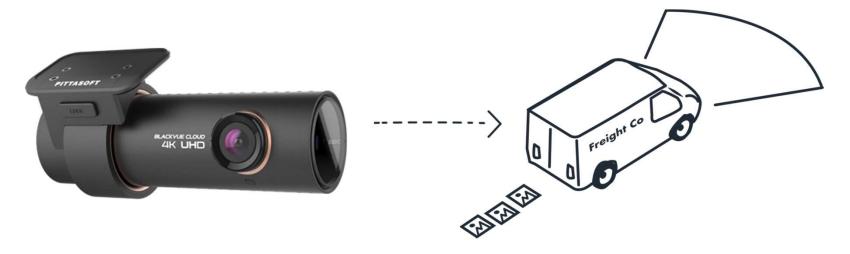






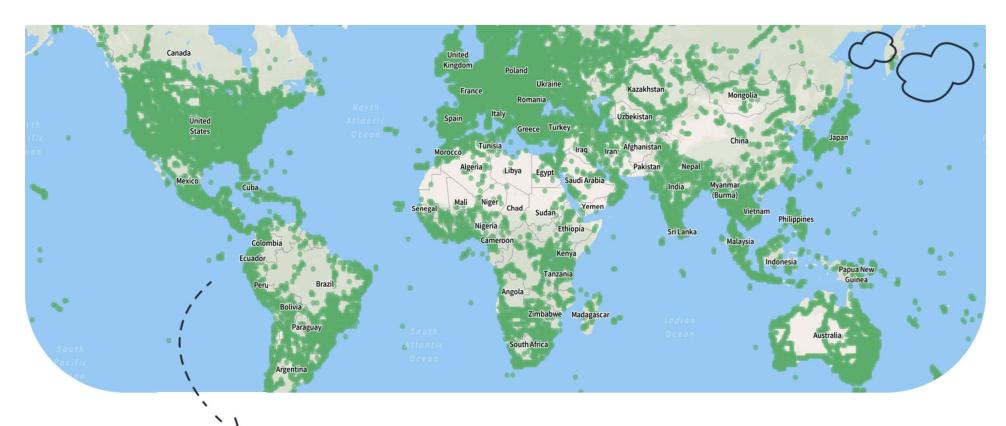


Turn any vehicle into a mapping vehicle



See mapillary.com/dashcam for more information





Roughly one billion images and 50 billion objects detected

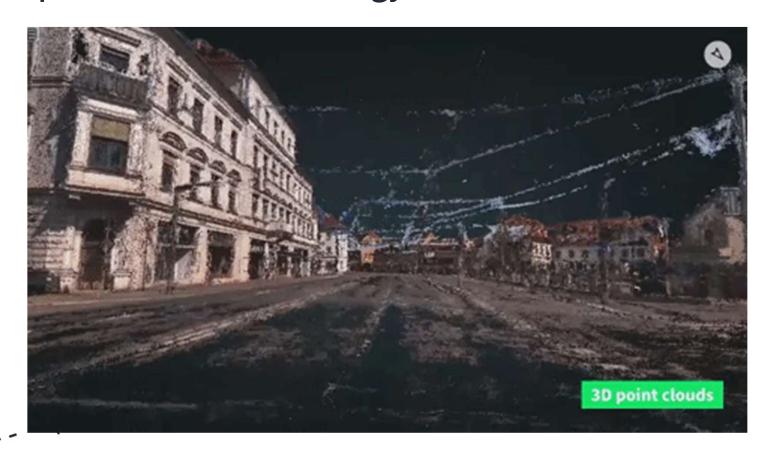
















Mapillary extracts 42 types of objects as points + 1500 different types of traffic signs. Objects include:

- Catch Basin
- Fire Hydrant
- Junction Box
- Manhole
- Utility Pole
- Water Valve









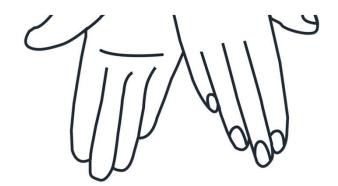
Mapillary anonymizes sensitive information like faces and license plates in every image at 99% accuracy











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Rallying the community: #map2020

A campaign by Mapillary and
Humanitarian OpenStreetMap
Team to map the undermapped
regions of the world

33 teams from 27 countries:
Including Columbia, Nigeria,
Bangladesh, Iraq, Ukraine, and
Uganda











Iraq has been hit by 53 earthquakes over the last year. The last major one in 2017 killed 600+ and injured 8,000+ more.





Because of a lack of adequate and dependable maps, humanitarian agencies were struggling to find routes to reach people in affected areas

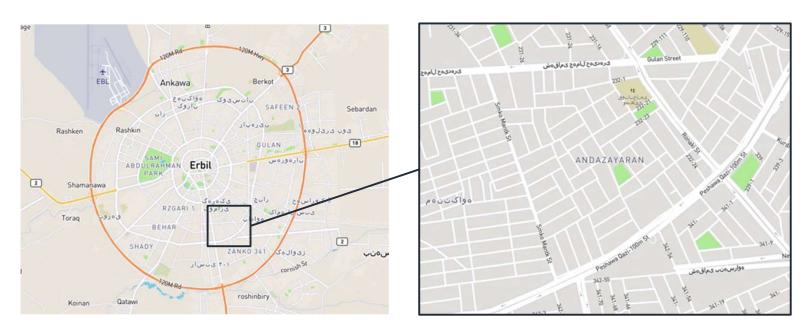
"This specific map will be an important tool when a disaster strikes to assess the situation more quickly. The aim is to provide relief workers with the tools to facilitate the decision-making process."

- Mohammed Faisal, team leader





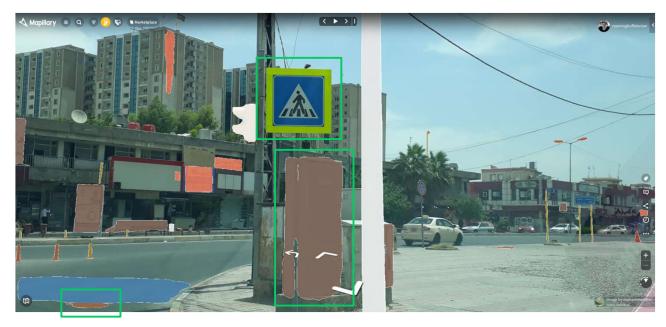




Over a one-month period, a group of ten mappers captured over 103,000 street-level images across Erbil using the Mapillary mobile apps







Automatically extracted traffic signs, manholes and junction boxes were added to OpenStreetMap by the Erbil team—with 400 changesets in total





Staying for the rest of State of the Map?

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