Real-Time Payments

Understanding your options.

Demand for quick, easy, and secure money transfer is becoming an increasing necessity. Give your institution a decisive advantage with Real-Time Payments.

DCI offers two separate, but competing, real-time payment solutions, RTP Network (RTP), operated by The Clearing House (TCH), and FedNow, processed through the Federal Reserve Bank.

Both options support similar use cases, including B2B, B2C, and P2P. Depending on your bank's business model, you may choose to use either service or both.

How Do They Compare?

The main difference between the systems lies in their governance. RTP is operated by a private company, while FedNow is operated by the Federal Reserve Bank. This can give FedNow an edge over RTP, as the system will allow for intelligent liquidity management, allowing banks to transfer funds between their FedNow account and their Federal Reserve master account.



RTP, on the other hand, has an edge when it comes to interoperability: the popular P2P payment service, Zelle, can use RTP to settle payments, and TCH has participated in cross-border initiatives such as Immediate Cross-Border Payments (IXB).

When it comes to transaction amounts, FedNow has set a lower transaction limit of \$500,000 instead of RTP's limit of \$1 million.







Want to learn more about Real-Time Payments? Contact your CRM today!



Quick **Reference**

RTP Network

- Created by The Clearing House
- Operated by a consortium of banks
- Up and running for five years
- \$1 million transaction limit
- Reaches 61% of U.S demand deposit accounts
- Uses ISO 20022 to ensure interoperability across
 U.S. financial institutions and increase adoption
- 24/7/365 availability

FedNow

- Created/Operated by the Federal Reserve
- \$500K transaction limit
- Anticipated to reach 100% of U.S demand deposit accounts
- Uses ISO 20022 to ensure interoperability across
 U.S. financial institutions and increase adoption
- 24/7/365 availability
- Intelligent liquidity management, allows banks to transfer funds between their FedNow account and their Federal Reserve master account



