

ProducerConfig

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Kind: Interface

Source: `packages/microservices/external/kafka.interface.ts`

Part of: [Microservices](#)

`ProducerConfig` defines Kafka producer-specific options used when configuring a microservice client. It controls partitioning, retries, metadata refresh behavior, topic creation, and transactional delivery guarantees.

Properties

Property	Type
<code>createPartitioner</code>	<code>ICustomPartitioner</code>
<code>retry</code>	<code>RetryOptions</code>
<code>metadataMaxAge</code>	<code>number</code>
<code>allowAutoTopicCreation</code>	<code>boolean</code>
<code>idempotent</code>	<code>boolean</code>
<code>transactionalId</code>	<code>string</code>
<code>transactionTimeout</code>	<code>number</code>
<code>maxInFlightRequests</code>	<code>number</code>

Diagram

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  A[Kafka Microservice Client] --> B[ProducerConfig]
  B --> C[Custom Partitioner]
  B --> D[Retry Options]
  B --> E[Topic Metadata Settings]
  B --> F[Idempotent Producer]
```

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B --> G[Transactional Producer]
G --> H[transactionalId]
G --> I[transactionTimeout]
B --> J[maxInFlightRequests]
```

Usage

```
import { Transport } from '@nestjs/microservices';
import type { ProducerConfig } from '@nestjs/microservices/external/kafka.interface';

const producerConfig: ProducerConfig = {
  retry: {
    retries: 5,
    initialRetryTime: 300,
  },
  metadataMaxAge: 300_000,
  allowAutoTopicCreation: false,
  idempotent: true,
  transactionalId: 'orders-producer-1',
  transactionTimeout: 30_000,
  maxInFlightRequests: 1,
};

const kafkaOptions = {
  transport: Transport.KAFKA,
  options: {
    client: {
      clientId: 'orders-service',
      brokers: ['localhost:9092'],
    },
    producer: producerConfig,
  },
};
```

AI Coding Instructions

- Configure `idempotent: true` with a stable `transactionalId` when producers require exactly-once or transactional delivery semantics.
- Keep `maxInFlightRequests` low, typically `1`, when ordering and idempotent delivery guarantees are required.
- Set `allowAutoTopicCreation: false` in production and provision topics explicitly through infrastructure tooling.
- Use `retry` settings appropriate for broker availability and transient network failures; avoid excessively aggressive retry loops.

- Provide `createPartitioner` only when default Kafka partition selection does not meet message routing requirements.

How it works

`ProducerConfig` is an exported TypeScript interface that describes the optional configuration argument accepted by `Kafka.producer(config?)`. The file states that its declarations are intended to represent KafkaJS package types only.

[kafka.interface.ts:1-8](#) [kafka.interface.ts:19-24](#)

All of its properties are optional, so the type itself requires no fields.

[kafka.interface.ts:110-119](#)

Its fields are:

- `createPartitioner?: ICustomPartitioner` — a zero-argument function returning a partition-selection function. That returned function receives `topic`, `partitionMetadata`, and `message`, and returns a partition number.
[kafka.interface.ts:111](#) [kafka.interface.ts:129-135](#)
- `retry?: RetryOptions` — retry settings: optional `maxRetryTime`, `initialRetryTime`, `factor`, `multiplier`, `retries`, and an optional asynchronous `restartOnFailure` callback receiving an `Error` and returning `Promise<boolean>`. [kafka.interface.ts:112](#)
[kafka.interface.ts:253-260](#)
- `metadataMaxAge?: number`, `allowAutoTopicCreation?: boolean`, `idempotent?: boolean`, `transactionalId?: string`, `transactionTimeout?: number`, and `maxInFlightRequests?: number`. [kafka.interface.ts:113-118](#)

Nest exposes this type as `KafkaOptions.options.producer`. [microservice-](#)

[configuration.interface.ts:333-355](#) The Kafka client creates a producer with

`this.options.producer || {}`, then registers producer event listeners and connects it. [client-kafka.ts:184-186](#) The Kafka server passes `this.options.producer` to `producer()`, registers producer event listeners, and connects the resulting producer. [server-kafka.ts:107-118](#)

This interface contains no executable validation, error handling, or side effects. The observable configuration interpretation, validation, defaults, and errors belong to the externally declared KafkaJS `Kafka.producer()` implementation rather than code in this repository. [kafka.interface.ts:1-8](#) [kafka.interface.ts:19-24](#)