

# Understanding the Web and How to Seize Its Latest Opportunities

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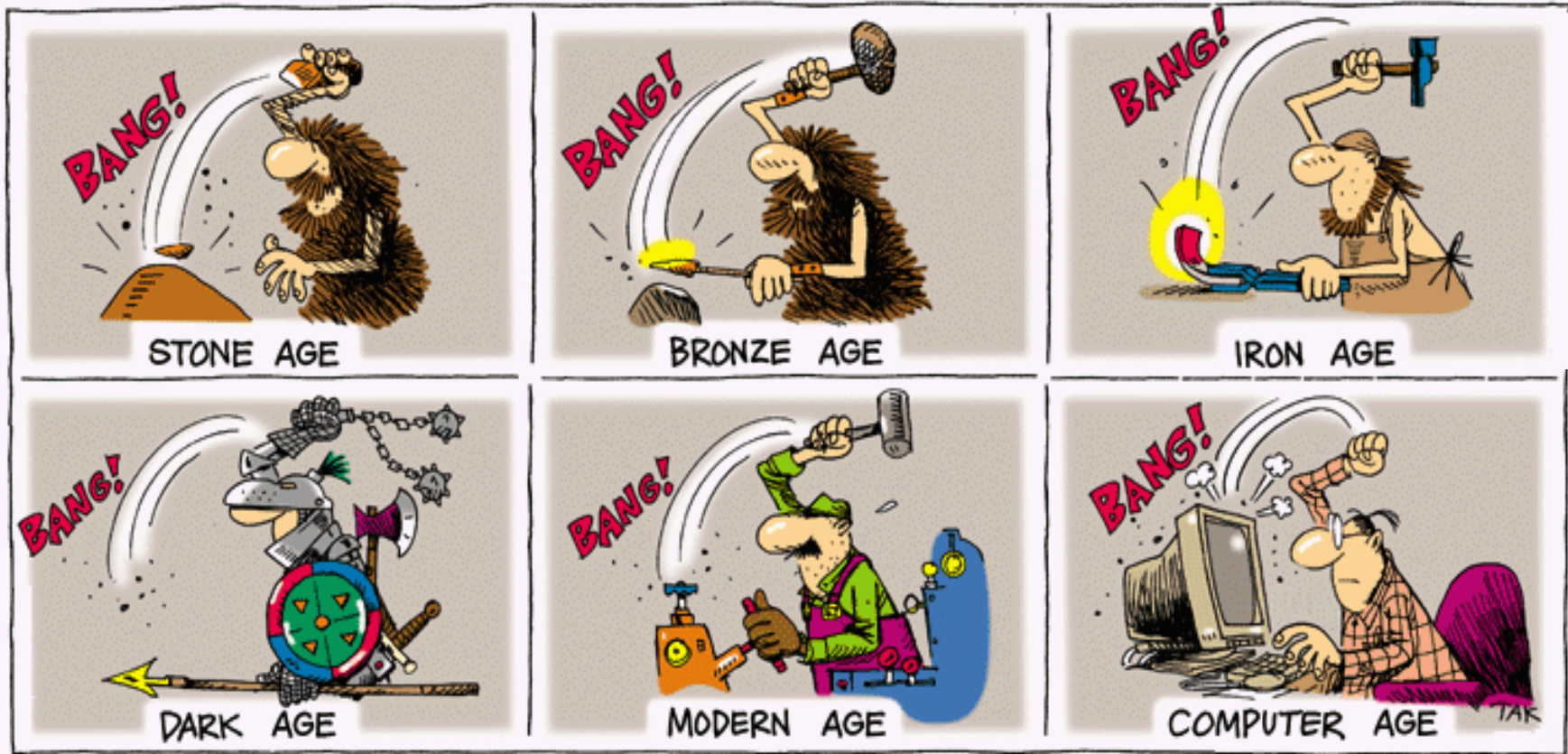
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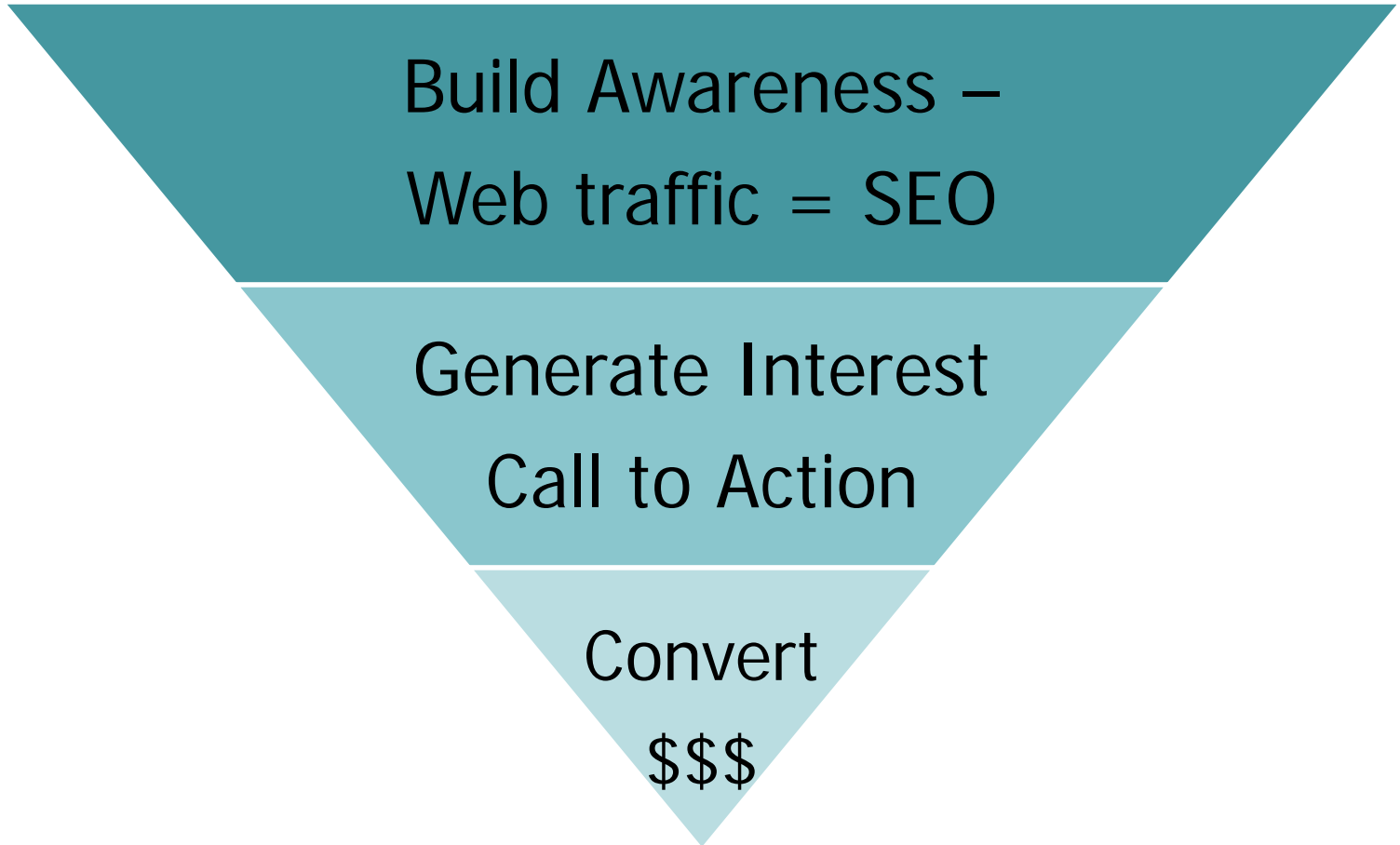


# Current Trends and Strategies

## Direct and Indirect Channels



# Review of the Marketing Basics



# The Goal



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Traffic

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Action  
(Conversions)

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Revenue

Managing the Direct Channel

Designing Your Website With  
SEO in Mind

# Direct Channel Benefits

- You control the message
- Lower cost of multiple channel advertising
- Increased conversions

## SEO Basics:

### Web design and SEO go hand in hand.

Influencing Organic Search Results

Two Most Important Meta Tags: **Keywords List** | **Site Description**

List your **keywords** in order of importance, all on a single line, including appropriate words and phrases from the following categories:

**Industry-specific:** Examples might include campground, camping, RV park, RV resort, camping resort, family campground, family camping, tenting, travel trailer, motorhome, fifth wheel, pop-up camper.

**Geographical:** Examples should include your city or town, nearby cities and towns, your county, your region, your state, adjoining states or regions (if you are close to a line), topography (such as mountain, farm, lakefront, rural).

**Nearby Destinations:** These should include all major attractions within a reasonable driving distance of your business.

**Your Amenities:** This should include all features and amenities which your business offers which may be decision-making factors. Examples are swimming pool, cabins, cabin rentals, pull-thru sites, 50-amp, miniature golf, mini golf, entertainment, horseshoes, bocce, bocci, bingo, etc.

The **Site Description** should describe your business in two or three sentences, using proper third-person grammatical structure, incorporating as many of your important keywords as is practical.

The Site Description may be, in fact, an abbreviated version of your site's first paragraph of text.

**Additional Tags** of Importance:

**Title Tag** | Robots Tag | **Alt Tags** | Header Tags  
Other Key Factors:

First paragraph or text | Embedded (Anchor) Links | Keyword Density | Inbound Links

Limited Flash content

Submit site to Google, Yahoo!, and DMOZ

Create and update sitemaps for Google and Yahoo!

Build a network of incoming links to your site, particularly anchor text links

Submit your site to approximately 25 niche directories that specialize in serving the interests of the campground community.

Submit your site to local and regional directories, chambers of commerce websites, and business association websites.

Submit your site to upstart directories. One of these may become tomorrow's Yahoo!.  
**SEO is only half the battle. The site's content must retain the visitors** that the search engines deliver. Things to avoid:

Outdated content

Dead links

Poor design (including frames and excessive Flash)

Pop-ups



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### Share your place on the net with us.

We add and update new sites to our index each time we crawl the web, and we invite you to submit your URL here. We do not add all submitted URLs to our index, and we cannot make any predictions or guarantees about when or if they will appear.

Please enter your full URL, including the `http://` prefix. For example: `http://www.google.com/`. You may also add comments or keywords that describe the content of your page. These are used only for our information and do not affect how your page is indexed or used by Google.

**Please note:** Only the top-level page from a host is necessary; you do not need to submit each individual page. Our crawler, Googlebot, will be able to find the rest. Google updates its index on a regular basis, so updated or outdated link submissions are not necessary. Dead links will 'fade out' of our index on our next crawl when we update our entire index.

URL:

Comments:

Optional: To help us distinguish between sites submitted by individuals and those automatically entered by software robots, please type the squiggly letters shown here into the box below.




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### Other Options

#### Instant Ads on Google

Create your own targeted ads using [AdWords](#). With credit card payment, you can see your ad on Google today.

#### Google AdSense for Web Publishers

Publish ads that match your content, help visitors find related products and services – and maximize your ad revenue. [Learn more](#).

#### Google-Quality Site Search

Reduce support costs, keep users on your site longer, and turn browsers into buyers with the [Google Search Appliance](#) or [Google Mini](#).



Submit Your Site

Submit a Website or Webpage

Enter the URL for your website or webpage you would like to submit.  
For any URL (directly submitted or obtained from a feed) our [crawler](#) will extract links and find pages we have not discovered already. We will automatically detect updates on pages and remove dead links on an ongoing basis.

Please include the **http://** prefix (for example, <http://www.yahoo.com>).

Submit Site Feed

Enter the full URL of the site feed you would like to submit:

Please include the **http://** prefix (for example, <http://www.yahoo.com>).

You can provide us a feed in the following supported formats. We do recognize files with a **.gz** extension as compressed files and will decompress them before parsing.

- [RSS 0.9](#), [RSS 1.0](#) or [RSS 2.0](#), for example, [CNN Top Stories](#)
- [Sitemaps](#), as documented on [www.sitemaps.org](http://www.sitemaps.org)
- [Atom 0.3](#), [Atom 1.0](#), for example, [Yahoo! Search Blog](#)
- A text file containing a list of URLs, each URL at the start of a new line. The filename of the URL list file must be `urllist.txt`; for a compressed file the name must be `urllist.txt.gz`.

Submit to Other Yahoo! Services (such as Sponsored Search, Product Submit, Travel Submit)

https://www.google.com/accounts/ServiceLogin

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Google Accounts

Home Print Page Tools

# Google Accounts

Sign in to personalize your Google experience.

Google has more to offer when you sign in to your Google Account. You can customize pages, view recommendations, and get more relevant search results.

Sign in on the right or [create one for free](#) using just an email address and password you choose.



[Gmail](#)

Get a fresh start with email that has less spam



[Web History](#)

Access and manage your web activity from any computer



[iGoogle](#)

Add news, games and more to the Google homepage



[Google Checkout](#)

A faster, safer and more convenient way to shop online

Sign in with your  
**Google Account**

Email:

Password:

Remember me on this computer.

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## Google Accounts **plpelland's Google Account**






### Personal information - [Edit](#)

plpelland (nickname)  
plpelland@pelland.com  
Country: United States  
[Change email](#)  
[Change password](#)

### My products - [Edit](#)

-  [AdWords](#)
-  [Analytics](#)
-  [Blogger](#)
-  [Groups](#) - [Manage subscriptions](#)
-  [Reader](#) - [Settings](#)
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### Try something new

-  [Gmail](#) - Get a fresh start with email that has less spam
-  [AdSense](#) - Earn money by displaying ads on your site
-  [Alerts](#) - Receive news and search results via email
-  [Web History](#) - Access and manage your web activity from any computer
-  [iGoogle](#) - Add news, games and more to the Google homepage

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## Webmaster Tools

### About webmaster tools and Sitemaps

Our suite of webmaster tools provides you with a free and easy way to make your site more Google-friendly. They can show you Google's view of your site, help you diagnose problems, and let you share info with us to help improve your site's visibility.

[News articles](#)  
[Success stories](#)

### User and reference documentation

[Webmaster central](#)  
[Webmaster help center](#)  
[Using the Sitemap protocol](#)  
[Using the Sitemap generator](#)

### Sitemaps tools

[Sitemap Generator](#)  
Download the package from Sourceforge.

[Third-party Sitemap tools](#)  
Tools for creating Sitemaps.

### Webmaster Community

[Google webmaster discussion group](#)  
Talk with your fellow webmasters and share your feedback with us.

[Google's blog for webmasters](#)  
The latest news and info on how Google crawls and indexes websites.

[Go to Google webmaster tools](#)

“It makes total sense to push new links to users quickly. We don't want to wait on the engine to deliver results - we want to get content into the engine faster. Whenever it's possible, we opt to push content rather than have it pulled. That gives us a more interactive experience with Google.”

— Marshall Simmonds  
*Vice President Enterprise Search Marketing of The New York Times Company*

“The practical benefit to our clients is that we are now providing every opportunity for their sites to be indexed further by Google... This move increases opportunities for our hard to index content such as dynamic applications within the CMS. We're committed to ensuring our clients are able to benefit from changes in the ever more important search landscape.”

— Michael L. Waltman  
*President & CEO of Interactive Sites*

### Getting Google's view of your site, and diagnosing potential problems

The first step to increasing your site's visibility on Google is learning how our robots crawl and index your site.

- [Crawl info](#): You can make sure we have access to your site, and see when Googlebot last visited. You can also view URLs that we've had trouble crawling and why we couldn't crawl them. This way, you can fix any problems preventing us from indexing all of your pages.
- [Robots.txt file validation](#): See if we're having trouble with your file, and test out changes to that file before you change it on your server.
- [Website content](#): View top content from your site and see the words that other sites use to link to it.

### Seeing how your site performs

A second step is learning what drives traffic to your site.

- [Top queries](#): Find the top queries that drive traffic to your site and where your site is included in the top search results. This will let you learn how users are finding your site.
- [Indexing information](#): See how your site is indexed and which of your pages are included in the index. If we find violations in your site, we'll give you the opportunity to fix the problems and request reinclusion of your site.

**Top search queries**

#	%	Query	Position
1	42%	google	2
2	31%	gmail	5
3	7%	google.mails	4
4	3%	google.map	4
5	2%	"new google"	4

**Top clicked queries**

#	%	Query	Position
1	64%	google	2
2	6%	translate	2
3	4%	google.translate	1
4	4%	google talk	1
5	3%	translation	3

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**ecampsite.com**

<http://www.ecampsite.com/register/campground.php>

**Camping-USA**

<http://www.camping-usa.com/cgi-bin/listing-form>

**RVCare**

<http://www.rvcare.com/info/suggest.cfm>

**RV-Clubs.us**

<http://www.rv-clubs.us/rvcampgroundlisting.html>

**RV-Coach Online**

[http://www.rv-coach.com/company\\_register.html](http://www.rv-coach.com/company_register.html)

**rvNetLinx**

<http://www.rvnetlinx.com/htaddalink.php3>

**RVZone**

<http://www.rvzone.com/AddNewURL1.cfm>

**RV Family Fun**

<http://www.rvfamilyfun.com/>

*If your park is not listed, click on the "Add Campground" link in the upper right.*

**RV Park Hunter**

*(Features campgrounds which have websites with photos.)*

<http://www.rvparkhunter.com>

*If your park is not listed, get a free 12-month listing by sending an e-mail to:  
[submit@rvparkhunter.com](mailto:submit@rvparkhunter.com) using reference # 0127*

**Roaming Times**

<http://www.roamingtimes.com/controlpanel/index.htm>

*(Follow the simple procedure to see if you are listed. If not, follow the links to submit the form.)*

**Recreational Vehicle and Campground Directory**

<http://rv-directory.com/>

*(Scroll down and click on your state to add URL.)*

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**USAtourism.ca**

*(A Canadian directory of US vacation travel destinations)*

<http://www.usatourism.ca/>

*(Click your state on map to add URL.)*

**Camping Connection**

<http://www.campingconnection.com/usa/>

*(Choose your state to add URL)*

**All Campgrounds**

<http://www.allcampgrounds.com/state.html>

*(Choose your state to add URL)*

**RV Resources**

<http://www.rvresources.com/addsiteweb.php>

**RV Mechanic**

[http://www.rvmechanic.com/current\\_category.2104/links\\_list.html](http://www.rvmechanic.com/current_category.2104/links_list.html)

*(Choose your state to add URL)*

**Find a RV Park**

*(Don't blame me for the bad grammar!)*

<https://host355.ipowerweb.com/~findarvp/join.php>

*(Offering free listings to this new site for 2006.)*

**WorldWeb Lodging & Accommodations Listings**

<http://www.usa.worldweb.com/Wheretostay/index.html>

*(Select your state and follow the links to see if you are listed or if you need to add your site or correct your listing.)*

**Recreation USA**

*(Claims that they are compiling a new directory and now accepting free listings.)*

<http://www.recreationusa.com/rusaquote.html>

**Re-QUEST.net**

<http://www.re-quest.net/add-url.htm>

**Travel & Tourism Guides by WorldWeb.com**

<http://services.worldweb.com/tourism-edit.html?mode=pickcategory>



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### RV Park Reviews

<http://rvparkreviews.com/>

When I checked recently, this site had 25,464 user-submitted reviews posted online and in an RSS feed. It is currently posting approximately 500 new reviews each month. Do the math: There is a good chance that your campground is listed. When I checked the site, the most recent reviews (posted on the site's Home page) included everything from 5 star reviews to 1 and a half star reviews for campgrounds which I will politely allow to remain anonymous. Not surprisingly, in the winter months, most of the latest reviews are for campgrounds located in Southern states. You can also click on a map to view reviews for campgrounds in individual states.

### Campground Reviews

<http://www.campgroundreviews.org/>

*(Not as well organized as the RV Park Reviews, and only 431 reviews posted.)*

### CampgroundReport.com

<http://www.campgroundreport.com/>

This site claims to present "unbiased campground and RV park reviews." Reviews cover the entire United States and Canada.

### RV Buddy

<http://www.rvbuddy.com/>

This site also covers campgrounds throughout the United States, with reviews that are read by hundreds of your prospective campers.

### CampRate.com

<http://camprate.com/>

*Offers a more campground-friendly, proactive approach to campground reviews.  
Follow the links to confirm your listing, submit a listing (if necessary),  
and to check for consumer reviews.*

### iRV2.com

<http://www.irv2.com/>

### That's Camping

<http://www.thatscamping.com/index.php/camping/links>

*(This site reviews campgrounds in the Northeastern states only.)*

### NewEnglandCamper.com

<http://www.newenglandcamper.com/>

*(This site reviews campgrounds in the New England states only.)*

* Your Name:	<input type="text"/>
Your Address:	<input type="text"/>
City:	<input type="text"/>
State/Province:	MA <input type="button" value="v"/>
Zip/Postal Code:	<input type="text"/>
Your Phone:	<input type="text"/>
Your * E-mail Address:	<input type="text"/>
* When did you stay with us?	<input type="text"/>
Overall, how would you characterize your camping experience?	<input type="radio"/> Positive <input type="radio"/> Neutral <input type="radio"/> Negative
Please rate the following on a scale from 1-4 (where 1 is the best and 4 is the worst).	
General Facilities	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 <input type="radio"/> NA
Overall Cleanliness	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 <input type="radio"/> NA
Bathhouses	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 <input type="radio"/> NA
Swimming Pool	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 <input type="radio"/> NA
Playground	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 <input type="radio"/> NA
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Site Upkeep	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 <input type="radio"/> NA
Activities	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 <input type="radio"/> NA
Friendliness of Staff	<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 <input type="radio"/> NA
What did you particularly like about your experience?	<input type="text"/>
How might we best resolve any issues to your satisfaction?	<input type="text"/>

issues to your satisfaction?

Is there a staff member whose outstanding service should be acknowledged?

Should you return to the area, would you consider staying with us again?  Yes  No  Maybe

Check this box if we may post your comments, including your name and city:  (We'll keep e-mail, full address, & phone private.)

**VIGOUR**

Please type the letters shown above into the box below.

The campsites are well kept. The amenities are great, there is so much for the kids to do. Staff members are friendly and go out of their way to be helpful. Overall it was a great experience. We have camped at the campground for the past two summers and plan to continue to make it a part of our yearly summer plans. All staff members are friendly and polite and go out of their way to assist you.  
*Tracy Gates, Cambridge, NY - August 2007*

The weather was perfect. The kids had a great time at candy Bingo and in the pool. The entire staff was very nice.  
*Robin Desruisseaux, Southwick, MA - July 2007*

I love the whole camping experience. Everything is close by and so much to do right on the campground.  
*Kim Lavigne, Brockton, MA - July 2007*

Everyone was friendly and helpful. The pool was wonderful and the whole area was beautiful. We will return!  
*Gail Beaudet, Glens Falls, NY - July 2007*

This is a smaller campground than where I've stayed in the past; however, it was well maintained and quiet. The park has a friendly clientele and is kid friendly. All of the staff here were very friendly and pleasant to deal with.  
*Susan, Colchester, VT - July 2007*

# The Indirect Channel

Managing the Message When  
You're Out of Control!

# Indirect Channel Benefits

- Increased traffic and brand awareness
- Leverages others' marketing dollars
- Improved operational efficiencies
- Improved customer satisfaction

# Indirect Channels

- Consumer generated content sites (CGC)
- Directory listing/outdoor recreation sites:
  - CampNCA.com
  - GoCampingAmerica.com
  - Camping.com
  - Other outdoor recreation websites
- Travel industry websites:
  - Travelocity, Orbitz, Expedia

# Consumer Generated Content (CGC)

- What is it?

Sites that attract consumers of special interests and invite comments, discussions and advice

Blogs

Discussions boards

Review Sites

Social networks

# Blogs

- What are they?

Online journals on specific subject matter written by author to establish credibility and encourage discussion on the internet



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### RV's - The Best Kept Travel Secret in America

What would you say if I told you I knew the best kept secret for traveling in America? A safe, cost effective, hassle-free way to see more of this beautiful country we live in. A way to travel at your own pace, on your own schedule, while building lasting memories with your family and friends. It sounds too good to be true doesn't it? Wait, it gets even better. What if I told you its not by plane, train, bus or your family automobile? Are you curious? Would you like to be let in on the secret that over 7 million households in America already discovered? If so, let me introduce you to the wonderful world of Recreation Vehicles (RVs) and camping.

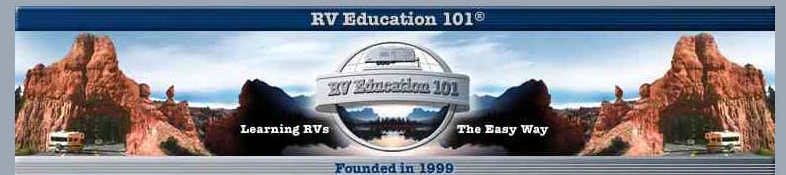
I'm not talking about roughing it in the backwoods with tents and sleeping bags, not that theres anything wrong with camping like that. What I'm talking about is your home away from home. An RV is your living room, dining room, kitchen, bedroom and bathroom on wheels. not to mention air conditioning, satellite TV, and being able to take a hot shower. An RV offers you the freedom to roam Americas back roads and the flexibility to go whenever and wherever you want. Imagine this, you wake up one weekend on a beautiful crisp fall morning and just outside your front door is a 20-acre lake full of hungry rainbow trout. How about a two-week summer vacation 50 yards away from the tranquil sound of waves breaking on the beach, or just a Saturday afternoon tailgate party at your favorite college football game. Your RV is a private guesthouse for relatives when they come to visit and a weekend getaway to your favorite campground.

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- Class A Videos
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- RV E-Books
- RV Books
- RV Products/Services
- Bargain Room
- Fishing Videos/DVDs
- Testimonials
- Free RV Newsletter
- Current RV News
- RV Tips/Advice by Mark
- RV Dealers
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## Learning RVs the Easy Way by Video and DVD

Producer Mark Polk



RV Education 101 produces professional RV how-to instruction training videos and DVD's, books and e-books on using and maintaining your Recreation Vehicle (RV). Owners Mark and Dawn Polk, felt there is not enough emphasis placed on properly educating the RV consumer on the complexities of owning and operating an RV.

Their goal is to provide you with as much RV information, tips and safety advice as possible. Topics covered include: RV walk through training and walk-thru orientation videos, RV winterizing and storing, trailer towing, towing behind your motorhome, and RV essential items you will need.

RV expert Mark Polk, (producer & host of America's most highly regarded series of DVD's, videos, books



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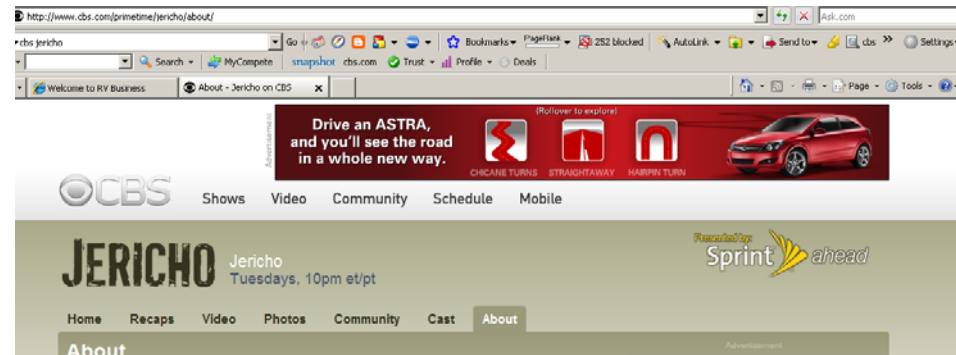
## Blog

Provides subject matter expert information

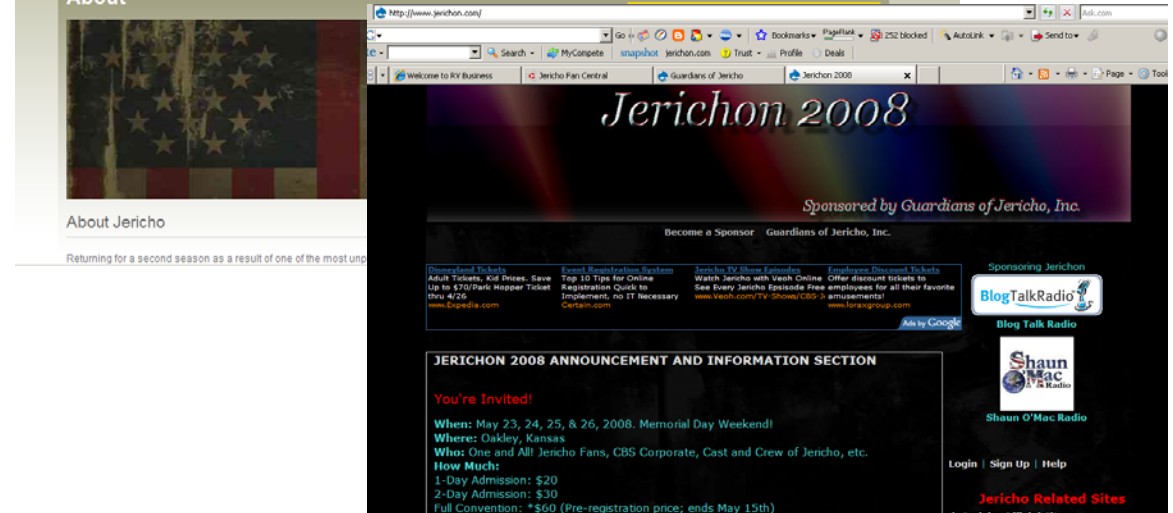
Links to website



# GUARDIANS OF JERICHO



Oakley, KS  
Population, 2030



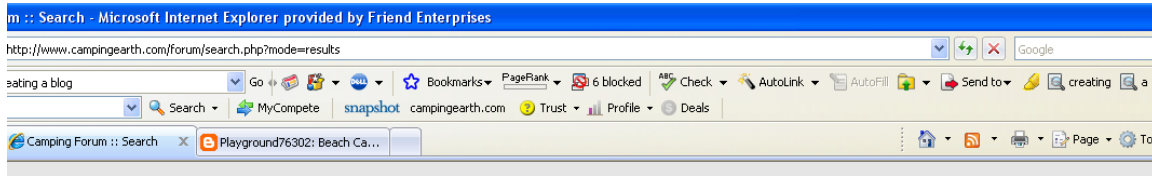
# Blogs

- Travel community blogs for travel clubs or hotel reward programs
- Affinity blogs for people with common interests or strong opinions about subject
- Expert blogs written by the business' subject matter
- Ideas:
  - Create an experience sharing blog (who did what)
  - Create a photo sharing blog with monthly "Best Photo Award"
  - Create a peer voted Top Ten List, Top Ten things to see, best restaurants, family activities

# Discussion Boards/Forums/Review Sites

- What are they?

Created by community members in a specific interest area to share information and provide feedback.



## Camping Forum

Discussion Area for Campers



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bigdaddy2000

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who likes making camp fires when camping

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# Discussion Boards/Forums

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## Review Sites

Provide specific information about specific properties/locations

# Discussion/Forums/Review Sites

- Travel related
- Camping related
- Ideas:
  - Monitor for feedback
  - Get involved in discussion as a traveler
  - Get involved as a business owner

**BE AUTHENTIC!**



## Social Networks

General and specific in content

Designed to include all forms of information: reviews, information, photos

Content generated by consumers



# Managing CGC

- Defensive strategy
- Sponsored strategy
- Advertising/Marketing strategy

THREAT OR OPPORTUNITY?

FACT: Recent study of hotels indicate:

43% CGM is an opportunity

57% CGM is both threat and opportunity

# CGM Goals

- Defensive/reactive strategy

Protect your brand!

Goal: Monitor and protect web chatter

# CGM Goals

How?

Identify CGM sites that cover your industry

TripAdvisor.com, IGOUGO.com, TravelBlogs.com,  
CampRate.com, RVParkReviews.com

[http://www.rvparkreviews.com/regions/New\\_York/Verona.html#CGID2000](http://www.rvparkreviews.com/regions/New_York/Verona.html#CGID2000)

Monitor internet for postings about your company

Google alerts, staff assignments

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Cc:  
Subject: Google Alert - campgrounds

Sent: Wed 11/7/2007 7:07 PM

## Google News Alert for: **campgrounds**

### [Letter: Seniors affected by \*\*campground\*\* closings](#)

Siftings Herald - Arkadelphia,AR,USA

The only **campgrounds** open this winter are Shouse Ford on DeGray, Tompkins Bend on Ouachita and Narrows Dam on Greeson. We are seniors and only camp at ...

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MotorHome Magazine - USA

But with the proper vehicle; excellent road maps; the Trailer Life RV Parks, **Campgrounds & Services Directory**; and a copy of The Milepost (the bible of ...

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## Google Blogs Alert for: **campgrounds**

### [Campgrounds - North Rim](#)

By Daily Planet(Daily Planet)

The National Park Service operates the North Rim **campground** which is open from mid-May through mid-October. There are no hookups except for a dumpstation at the **campground**. Pets are allowed, must be leashed at all times, and may not be ...

[US National Parks - http://nationalparksofus.blogspot.com/](http://nationalparksofus.blogspot.com/)

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### [Camping With Beautiful Views of the Desert, Lake and Mountains in ...](#)

By admin

# CGM Goals

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CampRate.com, RVParkReviews.com

[http://www.rvparkreviews.com/regions/New\\_York/Verona.html#CGID2000](http://www.rvparkreviews.com/regions/New_York/Verona.html#CGID2000)

Monitor internet for postings about your company

Google alerts, staff assignments

Encourage satisfied customers to express themselves via popular CGM sites

Implement suggestions made, address criticism, and contact critical users to discuss improvements and results

Communicate changes made as a result of the discussion!

# CGM Goals

- Proactive Corporate sponsored strategy

Goal: Leverage expert knowledge that currently exists about your property on the web.

Identify the type of CGM that suits your organization:

- Corporate/Campground sponsored blog

- Customer trip planning

- Advice and experience sharing

- Delegate responsibility and ownership of creating and monitoring

# CGM Goals

- Advertising and Marketing Channel

Goal: Communicate with readers on high traffic CGM sites

Identify all possible sites that accept display ads and sponsorships that cover our industry

Golf, spas, destinations sites, RV travel sites

Discover if ads can be placed geographically (target pages)

Measure return (impressions/click-thrus)



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## Search

   
(e.g., Boston hotels, Las Vegas, Paris art museum)

## Barryville

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## Free Newsletter

Interested in Barryville Base and Kittatinny Campgrounds and Barryville?

We'll send you updates with the latest deals, reviews and articles for Barryville Base and Kittatinny Campgrounds and Barryville each week.

## Barryville Base and Kittatinny Campgrounds

3854 Route 97, Barryville, NY 12719

- TripAdvisor traveler rating:  **3.5**
- [Candid traveler photos](#)

  
Popularity Index#1 of 1 [specialty lodging in Barryville](#)

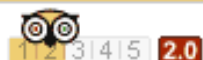
Ask your friends about trips they've taken to **Barryville**.

## TripAdvisor Traveler Reviews

Stayed Here? Rate This!

Language: Sort by: 

### Reviews in English (1-3 of 3)



#### ["Not a camping experience"](#)

Aug 19, 2007 [wizeazzgurl](#), Union, NJ

We were looking for a camping experience but what we got was a campsite right next to the road, where at all times of the day people drive ridiculously fast off Highway 97. Walking around the campsite, Kittatinny piles people almost on top of each other.

## Review Summary

Based on 3 reviews worldwide

### Traveler Rating



### What to expect

 **2.5** Rooms **3.5** Service **3.5** Value **3.5** Cleanliness

### Recommendations



# Why is Managing the Channel Important

- 2008 Projections (Merrill Lynch/HeBSS):
  - 60% of online bookings will be direct to consumer
  - 40% via third-party online agents
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr E-commerce facts: (ComScore)
  - \$143B YTD in e-commerce revenue
  - Travel = \$60B
  - Travel = 13% increase in 12 months

# Managing the Indirect/Direct Internet Channel

- Goals: utilize the least cost channel

- Manage the channel

- Reduce # of channels being used

- Prohibit 3<sup>rd</sup> party agents from utilizing your name to optimize for search engine marketing campaigns

# Analyzing Results of All Channels

Web analytics is a necessity, not a luxury

- Goal: Measure ROI on online marketing costs

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# Dashboard

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## Site Usage

2,670 Visits

24.53% Bounce Rate

10,684 Pageviews

00:04:20 Avg. Time on Site

4.00 Pages/Visit

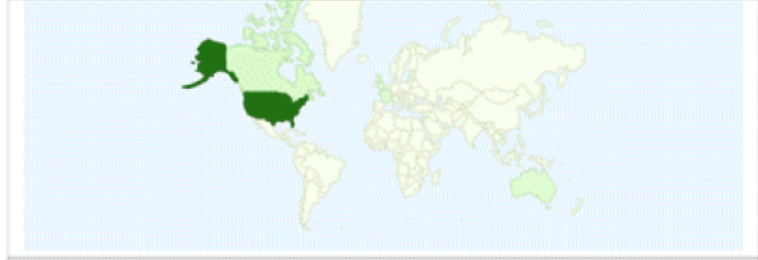
67.30% % New Visits

## Visitors Overview



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## Map Overlay



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- Common Questions
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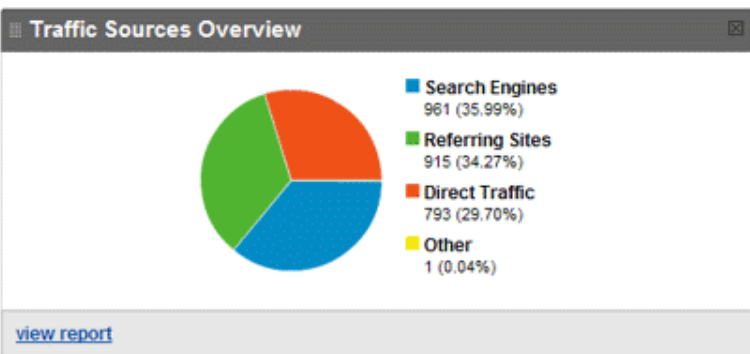
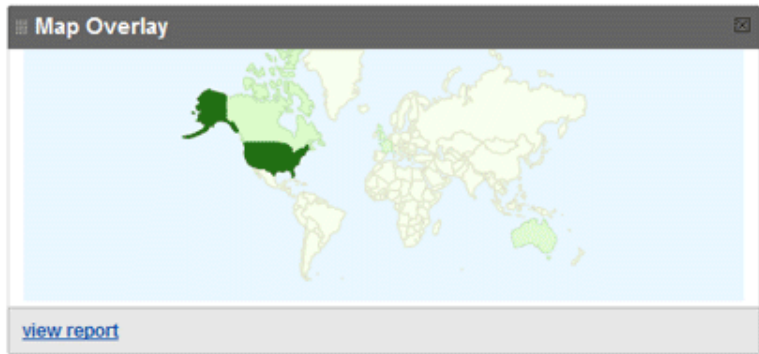
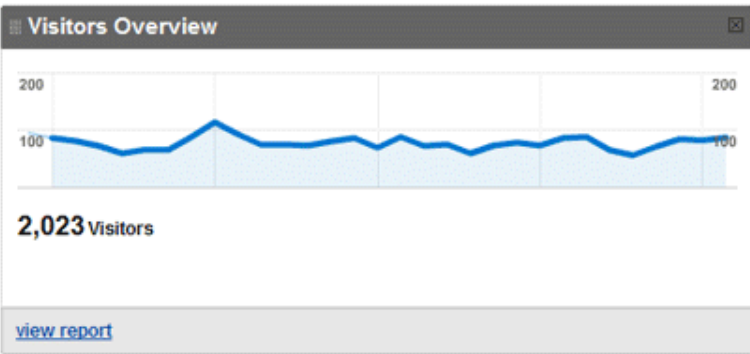
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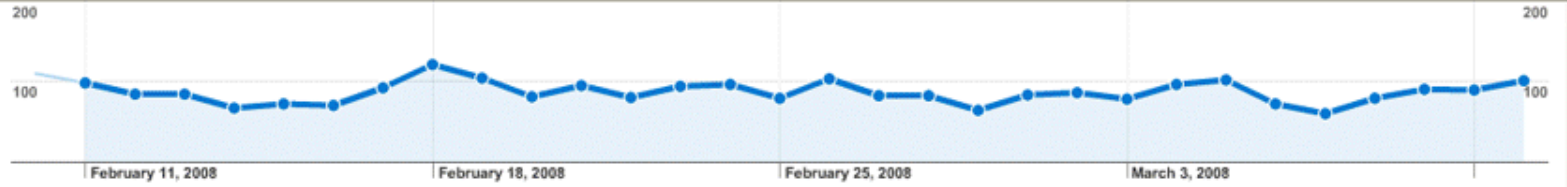


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<a href="#">/campsites.htm</a>	1,671	15.64%
<a href="#">/activities.htm</a>	1,547	14.48%
<a href="#">/sitemap.htm</a>	1,306	12.22%
<a href="#">/rentals.htm</a>	1,146	10.73%

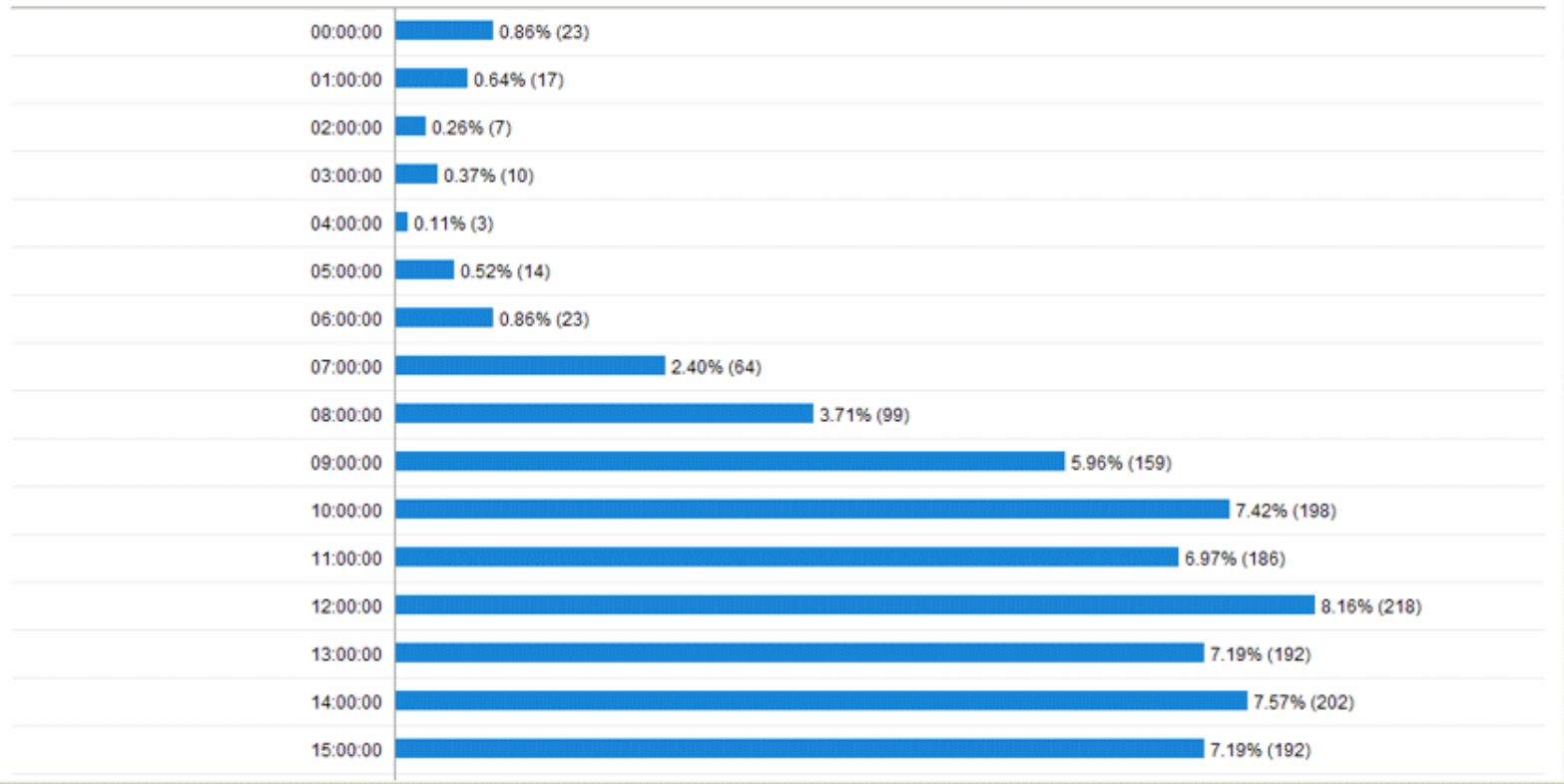
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**2,670** Visits | **89.00** Visits / Day

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# All Traffic Sources

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## All traffic sources sent 2,670 visits via 120 sources and mediums

Show: **Source Medium**

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Source/Medium	Visits ↓	Pages/Visit	Avg. Time on Site	% New Visits	Bounce Rate
1. <a href="#">(direct) / (none)</a>	793	3.63	00:04:15	64.94%	24.34%
2. <a href="#">google / organic</a>	609	4.08	00:04:09	66.50%	25.29%
3. <a href="#">campmaine.com / referral</a>	206	4.37	00:04:52	66.02%	17.96%
4. <a href="#">yahoo / organic</a>	125	4.71	00:06:15	62.40%	21.60%
5. <a href="#">pagead2.googlesyndication.com / referral</a>	117	3.41	00:02:59	88.03%	41.88%
6. <a href="#">aol / organic</a>	80	4.19	00:04:07	62.50%	17.50%
7. <a href="#">thatscamping.com / referral</a>	60	4.85	00:05:18	68.33%	11.67%
8. <a href="#">visitmaine.net / referral</a>	56	4.66	00:05:21	76.79%	12.50%
9. <a href="#">ry-clubs.us / referral</a>	55	3.45	00:03:13	74.55%	25.45%
10. <a href="#">mainecamping.addr.com / referral</a>	54	4.19	00:04:05	61.11%	22.22%

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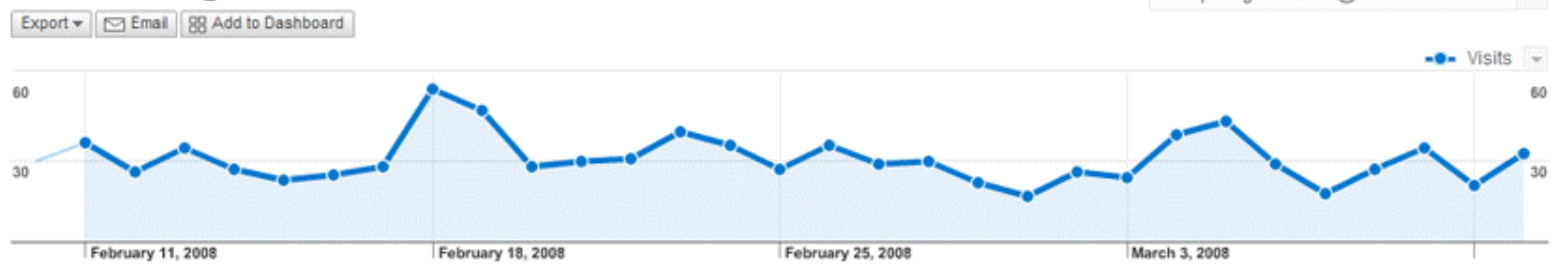
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# Search Engines

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## Search sent 961 total visits via 10 sources

Show: total | paid | non-paid Segment: Source

Site Usage **Goal Conversion** Views:

Visits	Pages/Visit	Avg. Time on Site	% New Visits	Bounce Rate	
<b>961</b> % of Site Total: 35.99%	<b>4.31</b> Site Avg: 4.00 (7.61%)	<b>00:04:40</b> Site Avg: 00:04:20 (7.56%)	<b>64.41%</b> Site Avg: 67.30% (-4.30%)	<b>23.20%</b> Site Avg: 24.53% (-5.41%)	
Source	Visits ↓	Pages/Visit	Avg. Time on Site	% New Visits	Bounce Rate
1. <a href="#">google</a>	609	4.08	00:04:09	66.50%	25.29%
2. <a href="#">yahoo</a>	125	4.71	00:06:15	62.40%	21.60%
3. <a href="#">aol</a>	80	4.19	00:04:07	62.50%	17.50%
4. <a href="#">search</a>	45	4.80	00:05:52	60.00%	20.00%
5. <a href="#">live</a>	35	5.49	00:06:13	48.57%	17.14%
6. <a href="#">msn</a>	34	4.68	00:04:50	61.76%	26.47%
7. <a href="#">ask</a>	28	5.46	00:06:57	64.29%	10.71%
8. <a href="#">about</a>	2	1.50	00:00:06	100.00%	50.00%
9. <a href="#">netscape</a>	2	3.00	00:04:38	0.00%	0.00%
10. <a href="#">cnn</a>	1	2.00	00:00:44	100.00%	0.00%

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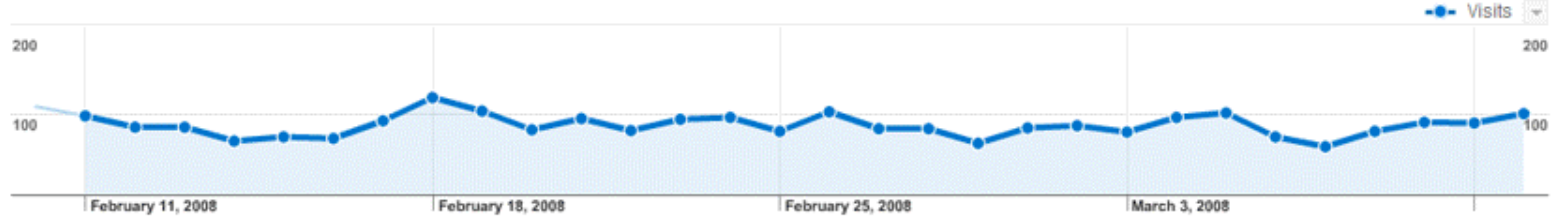
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2,670 visits used 10 browser and OS combinations

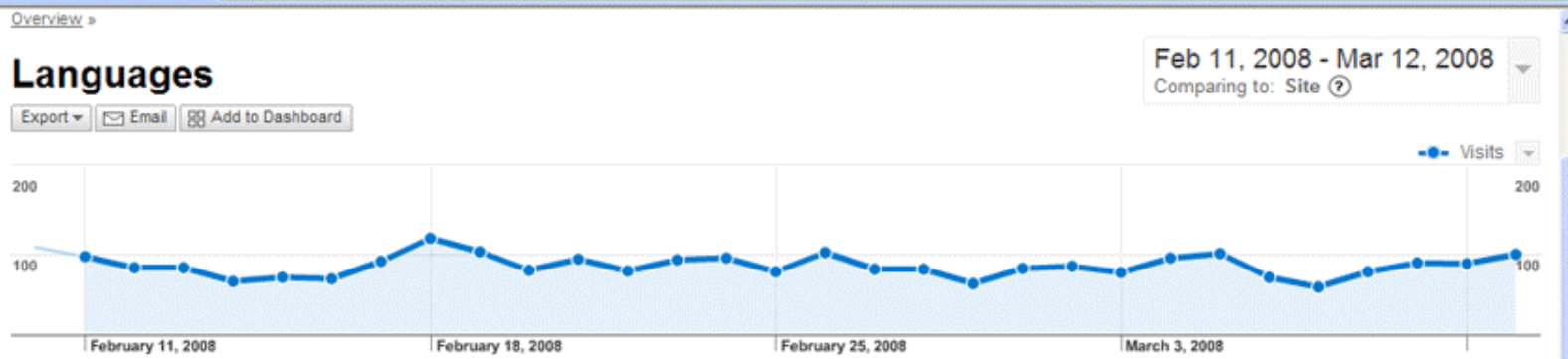
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Browser and OS	Visits	Visits	Browser and OS contribution to total:
1. <a href="#">Internet Explorer / Windows</a>	2,367	88.65%	
2. <a href="#">Firefox / Windows</a>	198	7.42%	
3. <a href="#">Safari / Macintosh</a>	57	2.13%	
4. <a href="#">Firefox / Macintosh</a>	36	1.35%	
5. <a href="#">AvantGo / Danger Hiptop</a>	4	0.15%	
6. <a href="#">Netscape / Windows</a>	3	0.11%	
7. <a href="#">Mozilla / Windows</a>	2	0.07%	
8. <a href="#">Mozilla Compatible Agent / Macintosh</a>	1	0.04%	
9. <a href="#">Opera / Nintendo Wii</a>	1	0.04%	
10. <a href="#">Playstation Portable / Playstation Portable</a>	1	0.04%	

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### 2,670 visits used 9 languages

Site Usage | Goal Conversion

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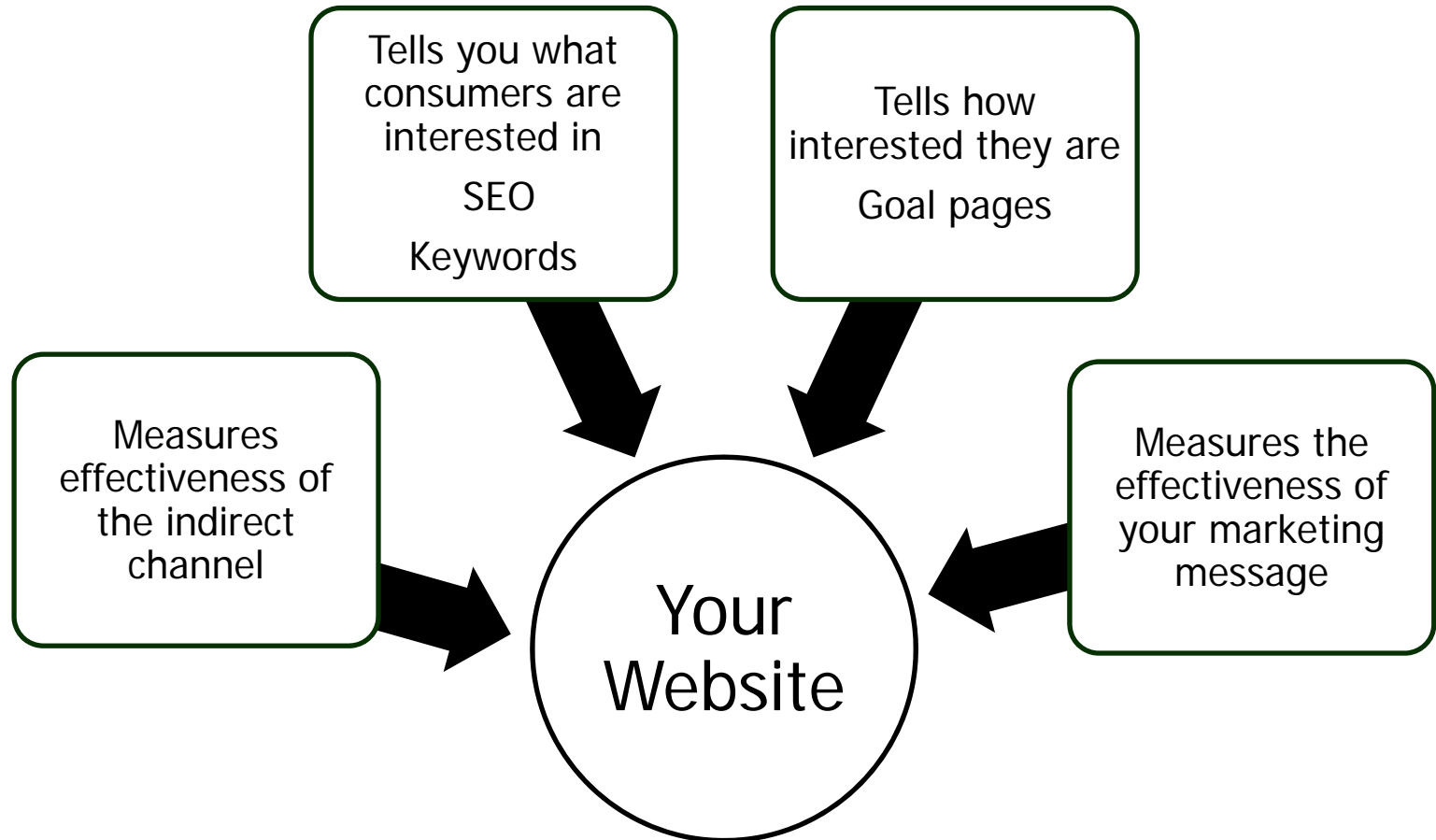
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Language	Visits ↓	Pages/Visit	Avg. Time on Site	% New Visits	Bounce Rate
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2. <a href="#">fr</a>	52	3.83	00:02:42	88.46%	34.62%
3. <a href="#">en</a>	42	4.50	00:03:43	76.19%	23.81%
4. <a href="#">fr-ca</a>	2	6.00	00:03:23	100.00%	0.00%
5. <a href="#">de</a>	1	2.00	00:00:29	100.00%	0.00%
6. <a href="#">es</a>	1	3.00	00:01:25	100.00%	0.00%
7. <a href="#">pt-br</a>	1	3.00	00:02:33	100.00%	0.00%
8. <a href="#">ru</a>	1	1.00	00:00:00	100.00%	100.00%
9. <a href="#">sk</a>	1	1.00	00:00:00	100.00%	100.00%

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# Benefits of Analytics



# visitors/# calls to action = conversion rate

# Balancing the Marketing Budget for 2008

- Facts:

37-38% of all travel bookings will be transacted over the web  
Traditional marketing budgets are shifting to the web.

# Balancing the Marketing Budget for 2008

- Target areas to devote budget:
  - Search engine (organic, paid search, local search, meta search)/website redesign
  - Banner advertising
  - Newsletter sponsorships
  - Email Marketing
  - Strategic Linking (utilize blogs/UGC)
  - Install and monitor Website Analytics and Conversion Tracking
  - Measure effectiveness of:
    - Billboards/road signs
    - Print brochures
    - Other traditional means of advertising

# Online Resources

- [www.google.com/alerts](http://www.google.com/alerts)
- [www.hotelmarketing.com](http://www.hotelmarketing.com)
- [www.bizreport.com](http://www.bizreport.com)
- [www.pelland.com/SiteSubmissionLinks2008.htm](http://www.pelland.com/SiteSubmissionLinks2008.htm)



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