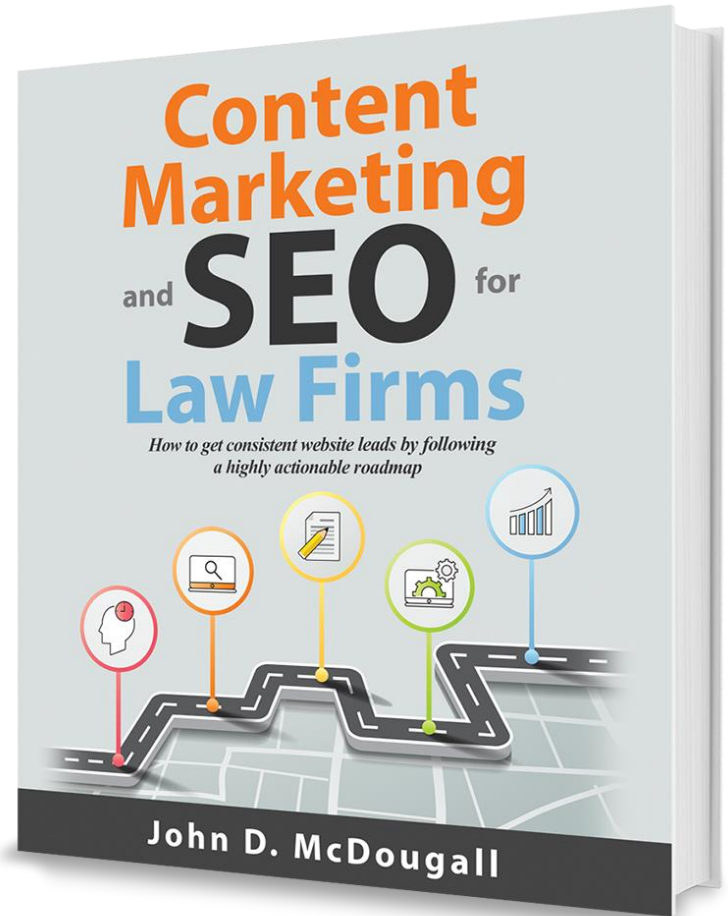


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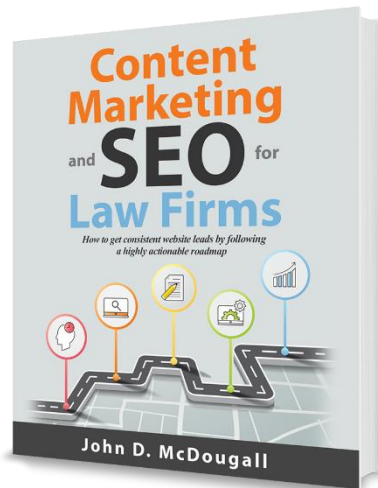
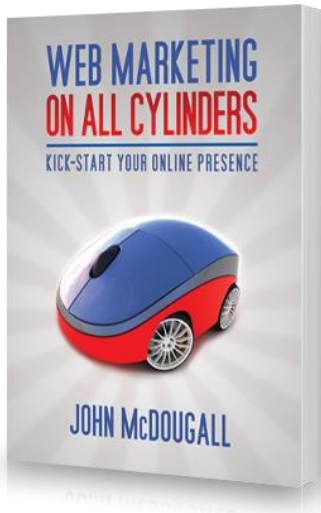


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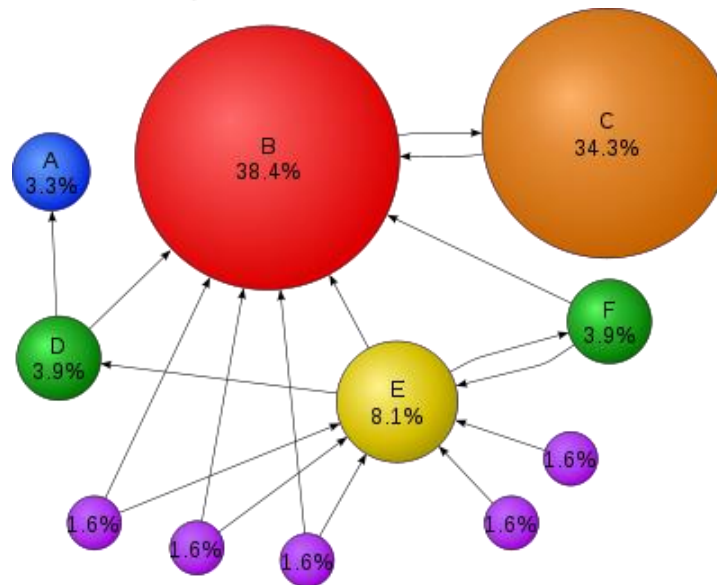
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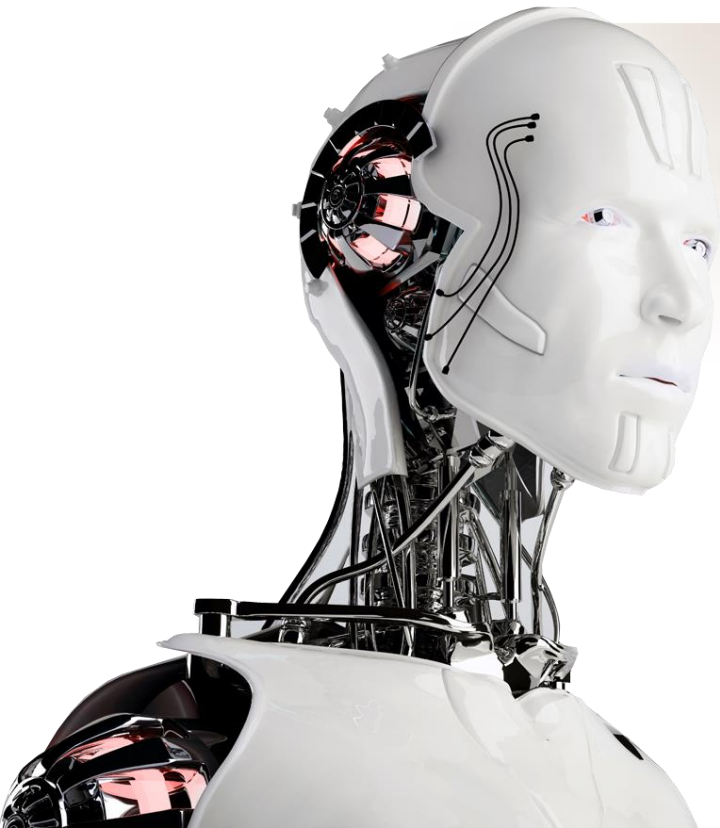
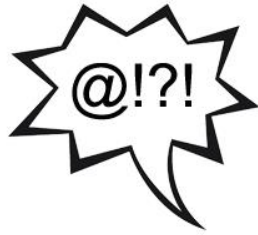


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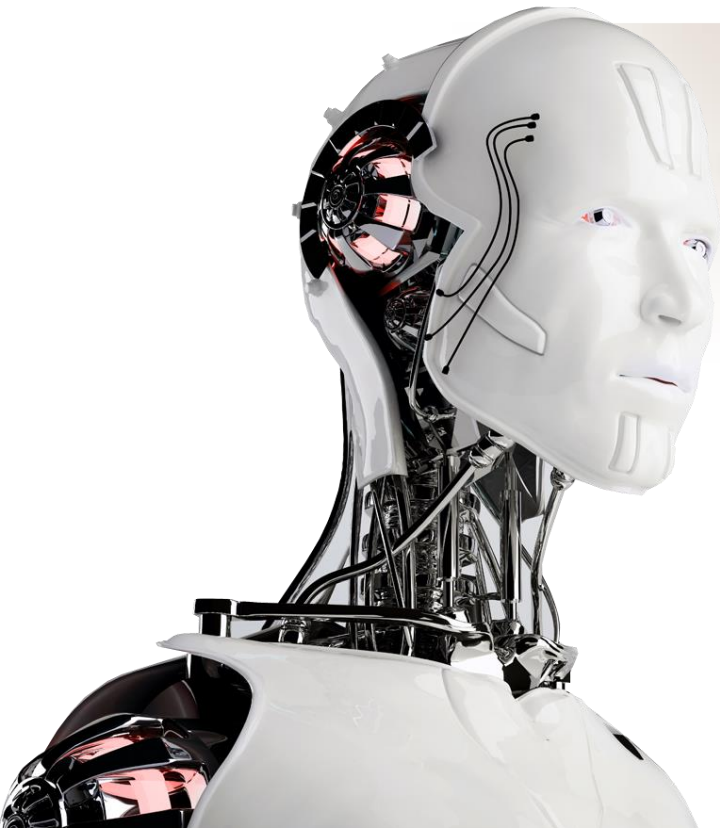
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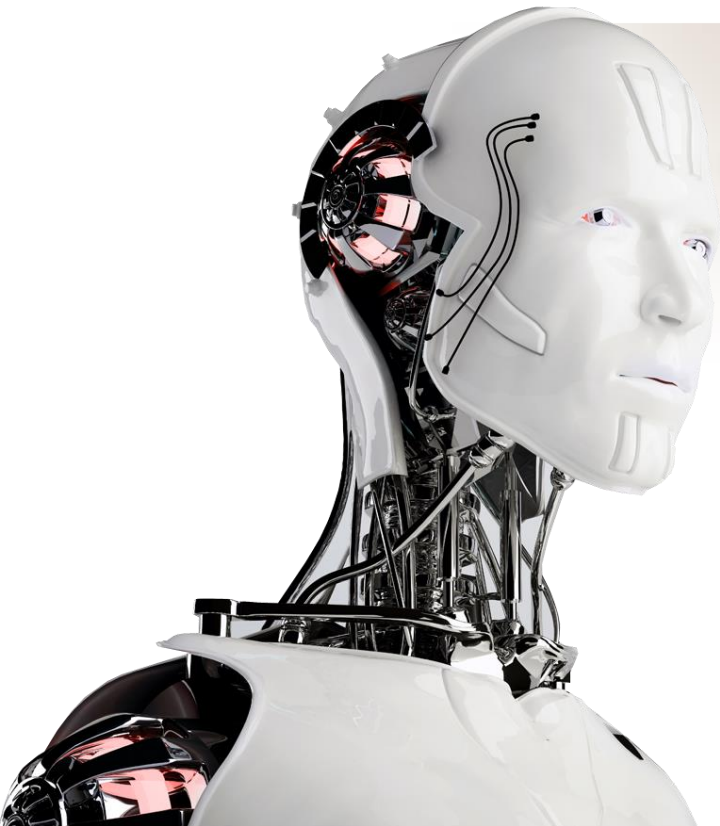




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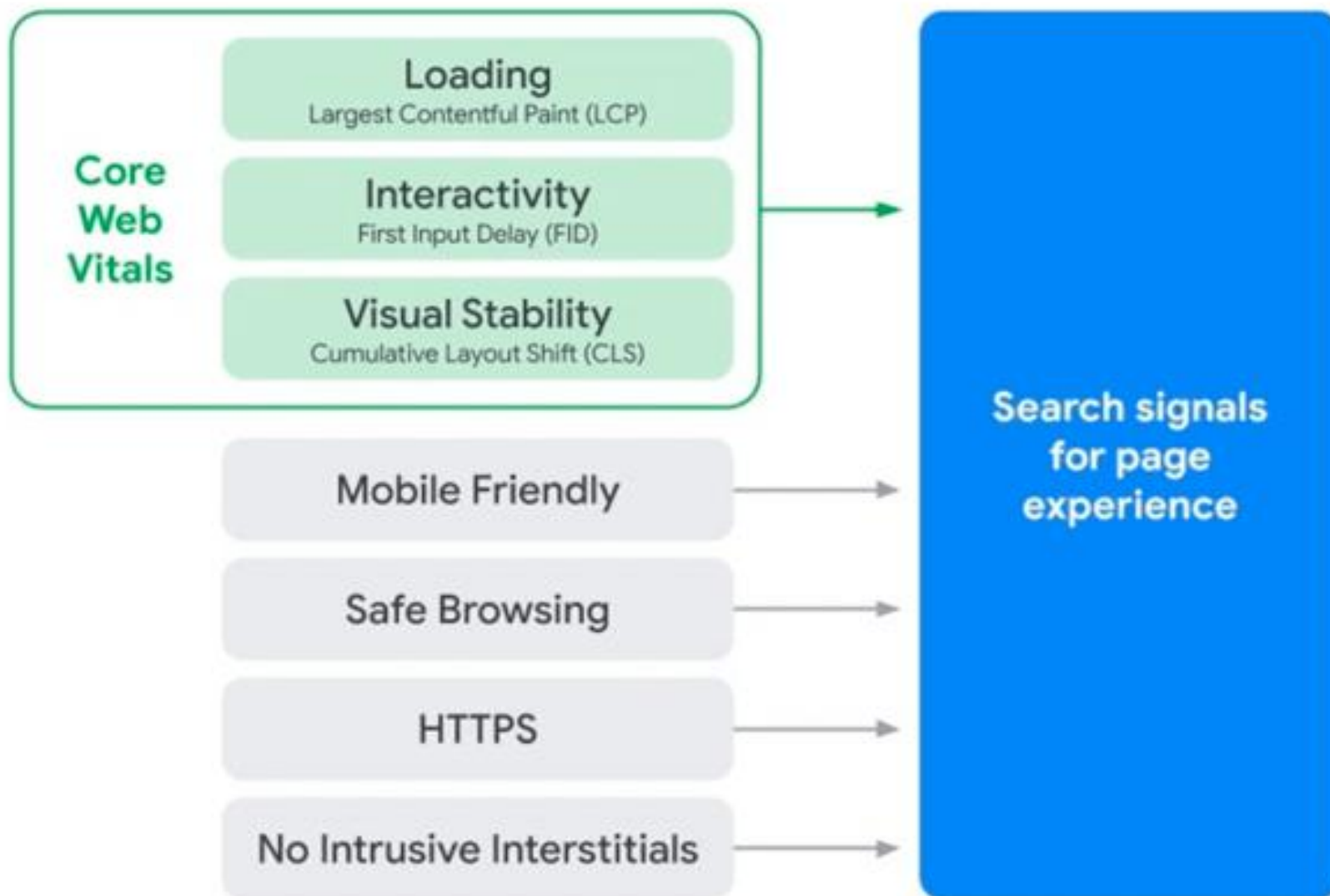
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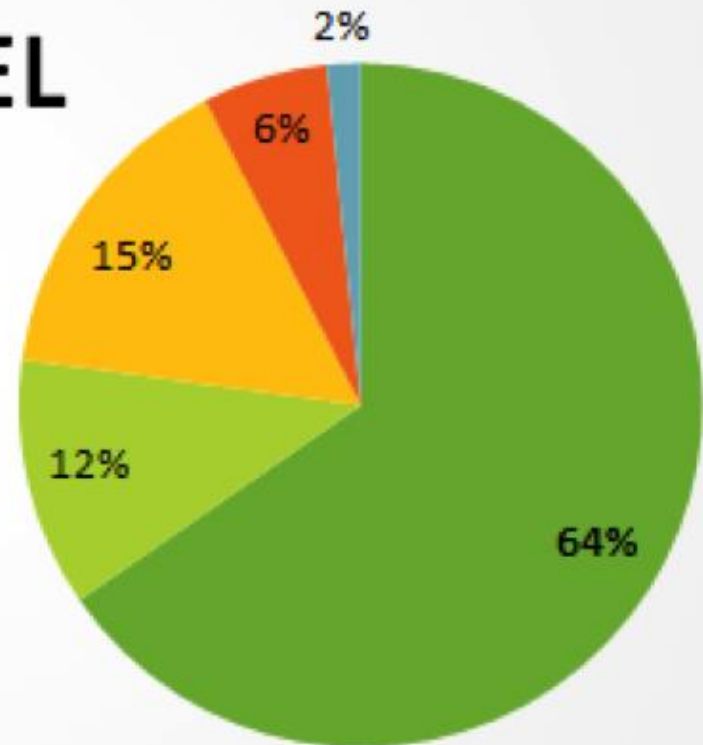
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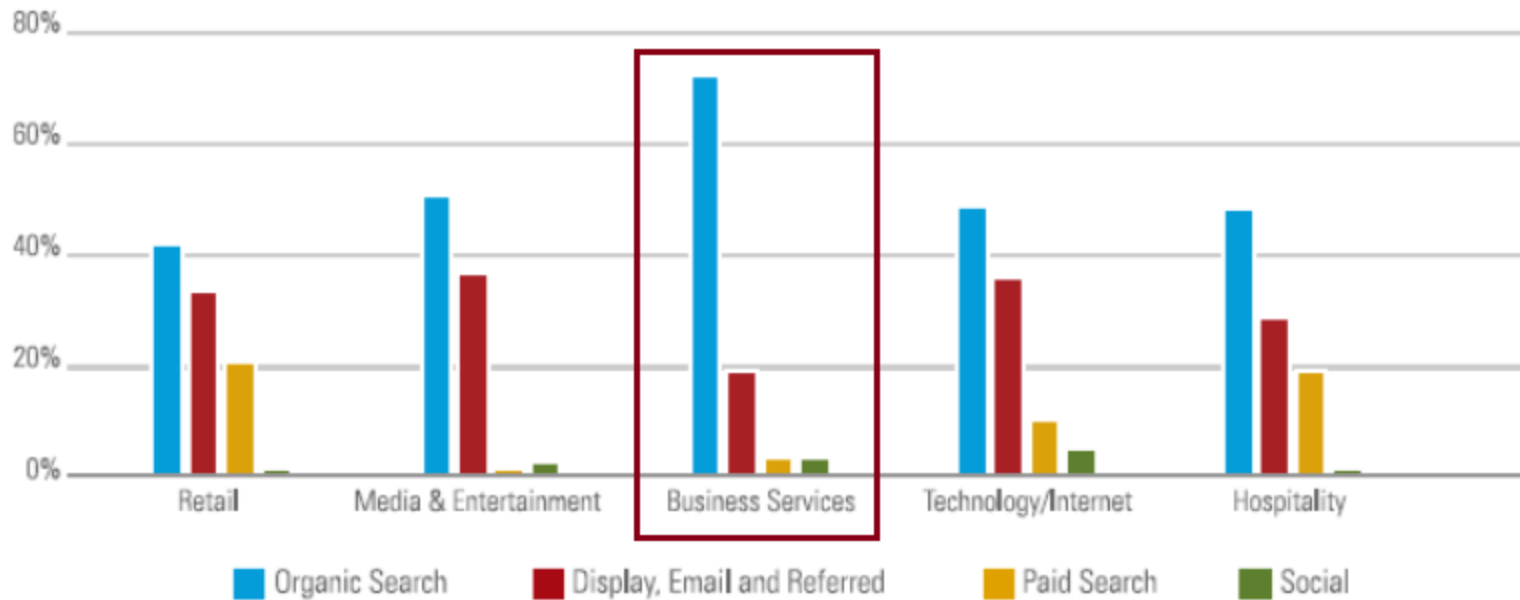
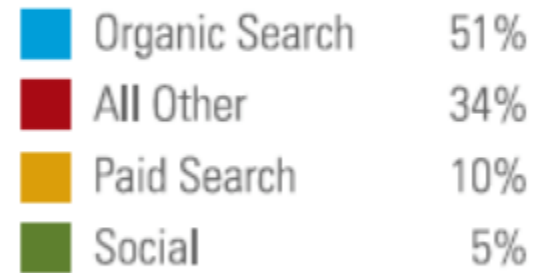
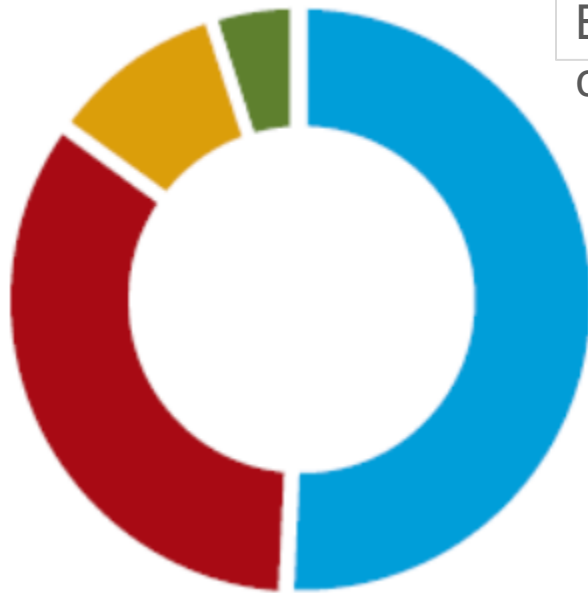
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Keywords *i*  
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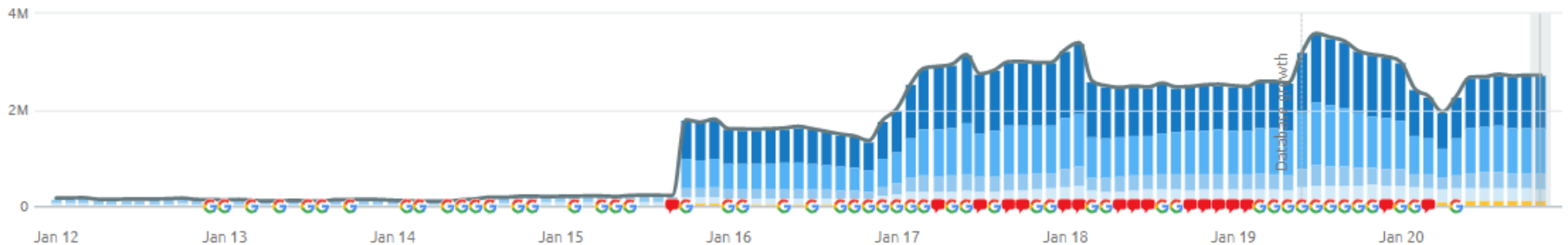
Traffic *i*  
**5.9M** -0.61% 

Traffic Cost *i*  
**\$30M** -15.33%

## Organic Keywords Trend *i*

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1M 6M 1Y 2Y All time




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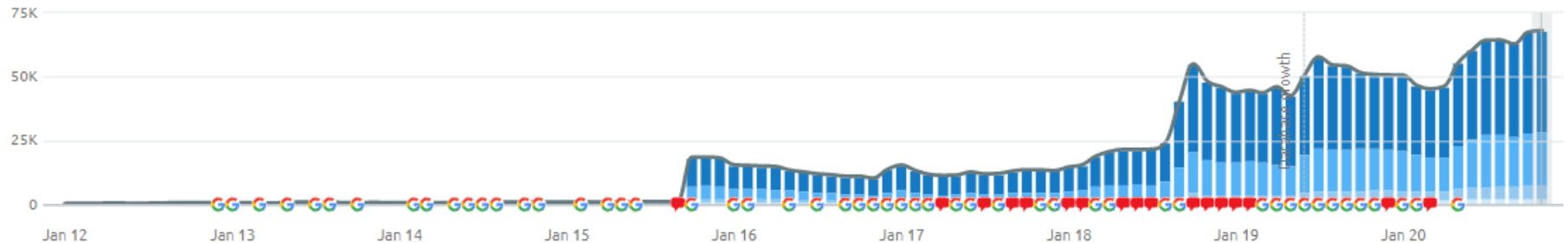
Traffic <sup>i</sup>  
**44.8K** 9.37% 

Traffic Cost <sup>i</sup>  
**\$87.8K** 37.86% 

## Organic Keywords Trend <sup>i</sup>

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# 2021 SEO Landscape

- Content
- User Signals
- UX / Page Experience
- Tech / Core Web Vitals
- Social Links
- Brand Signals

All of which make your website better and protect referrals



# 9 MUST-DO ACTION STEPS — *for* — SUCCESS



# 1. Set Up ROI and Campaign Tracking

## Metrics

- # of leads
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## Tools

- Google Analytics
- SEMrush
- Advanced Web Ranking
- Etc.

Make sure your metrics tie back to bigger picture law firm's goals

[Legalmarketingreview.com/downloads](http://Legalmarketingreview.com/downloads) Marketing plan template

And the PowerPoint slides PDF for this webinars

## 2. Create Deep and Varied Content





# Types of Content

1. Your Main Website Pages
2. Images and Infographics
3. Videos and YouTube SEO
4. Podcast Marketing
5. Blogging
6. Guest Blogging
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13. Case Studies

# Auto Accidents

At Burns, Bryant, Cox, Rockefeller & Durkin, we handle a variety of personal injury claims, but far and away the most common one is injuries as a result of auto accidents. With so many cars and drivers on the road, it's really no surprise. With so many types of vehicles and so many dangerous scenarios, there a lot of ways a crash can happen including:

- Hit and Run Accidents
- DUI Accidents
- Motorcycle Accidents
- Pedestrian Accidents
- Bicycle Collisions
- Truck Crashes
- Aggressive Driving Accidents
- Road Condition Accidents
- Negligent Driving Accidents
- Distracted Driving Collisions
- Violating the Rules of the Road
- Rear End Accidents
- Speeding Collisions

# What to Do When You Are In an Auto Accident

Even when you practice defensive driving and maintain awareness of your surroundings, there is always a chance that you could be involved in an auto accident.

After an accident you should try to take a moment to inspect yourself for injuries and to check on your passengers. If you or anyone else is hurt, you should call 911. **Even if no one appears to be hurt, it is still advisable to seek medical attention after a car accident.**

Check on the passengers of the other vehicle(s). **If they appear to be injured or are unresponsive, call 911 immediately.** Do not attempt to move them unless you believe that they are in danger where they are—if their vehicle is on fire, for example.

Exchange information with the other driver(s). This information should include:

- Driver's Name
- Driver's Address
- Driver's License Number
- Registration Number of the Vehicle
- Name and Address of Each Occupant
- Name of Driver's Insurance Company

It is advisable to make a note of the vehicle(s) make and model, the location of the accident, and the contact information of eyewitnesses in the area. Further, creating your own documentation is generally a good idea. You can use your smartphone or camera to get photographic evidence of the accident.

A copy of **the Operator's Report** can be found here. It must be mailed within 15 days to the DMV at the following address:

## Auto Accident Statistics in NH

The United States suffered 29,989 fatal car accidents in 2014. As a result, 32,675 people lost their lives. That is 10.2 deaths per 100,000 people, and 1.8 deaths per 100 million vehicle miles traveled.

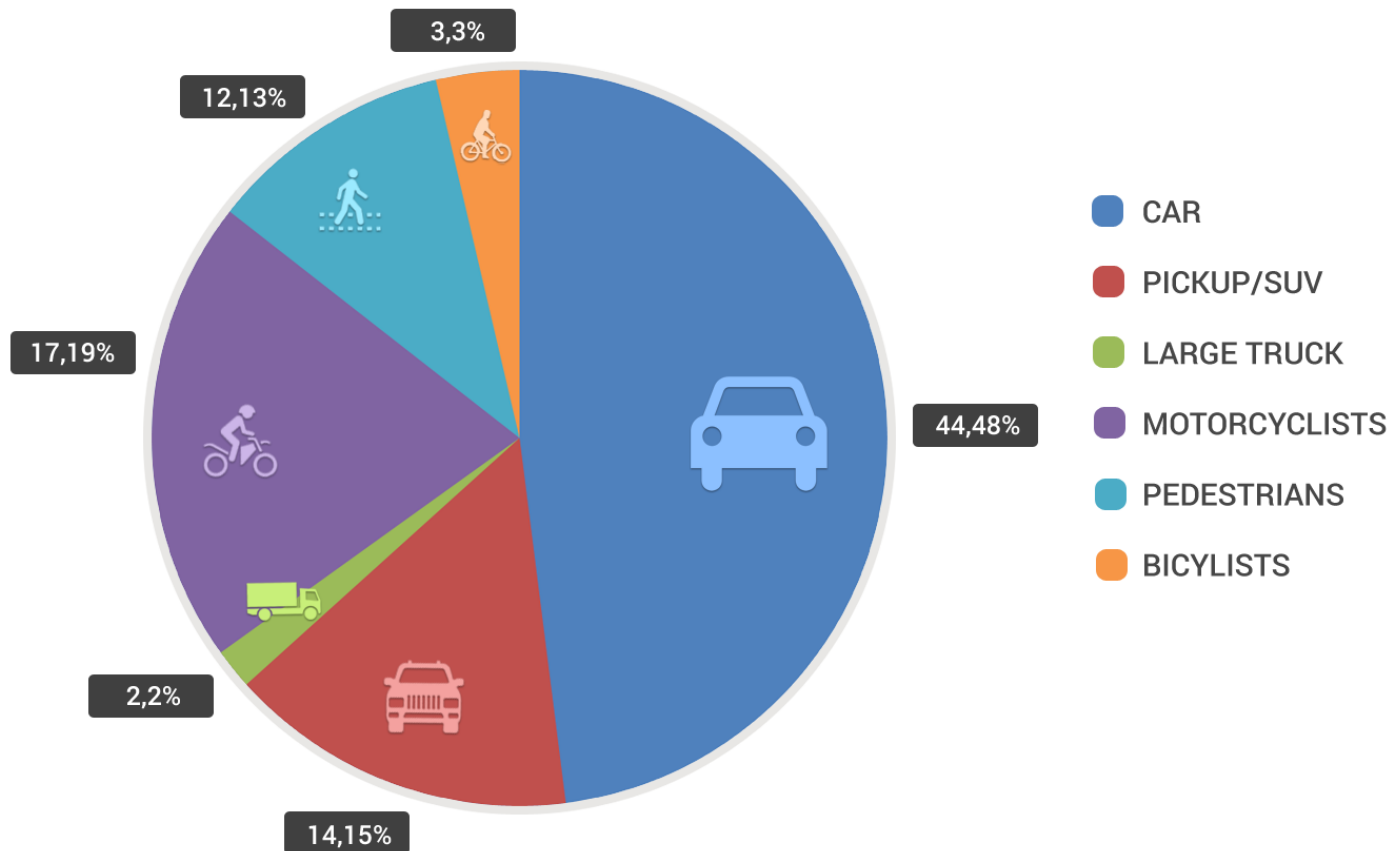
**New Hampshire lost 95 people in 89 fatal car accidents in 2014.** Although that is down from 2013's high of 135 deaths, even one life lost is too many.

New Hampshire has a small population relative to other states—only 1.3 million people live here. The crash fatality rate per 100,000 people within the state is 7.2, and the deaths per 100 million vehicle miles traveled is 0.73. In comparison:

- Wyoming has a death per 100,000 people rate of 25.7. The population of Wyoming as of 2014 is 584,153.
- Montana's auto accident deaths per 100,000 is 18.8. In 2014, its population was 1,023,579.
- New Jersey had a population of 8.9 million people that same year. The state lost 6.2 people per 100,000 due to car crashes.
- Washington had a population of around 7 million people. In 2014, auto accidents claimed the lives of 6.5 people per 100,000 in the state.
- Minnesota lost 6.6 people per 100,000. It had a population of 5.4 million people



# New Hampshire Fatalities by Vehicle Type (2014)



# DOG BITE 101

Every Year, the CDC Reports 4.5 Million  
People Are Attacked & Bitten by Dogs<sup>1</sup>



Approximately  
**800,000** of those  
people will seek  
medical care for  
dog attacks<sup>2</sup>



In 2015, dog  
attacks caused  
**35 fatalities**<sup>3</sup>



Dog bites  
are often **deeper  
and more damaging**  
than they might  
appear on the  
surface.



If left untreated,  
dog bites can  
**cause bone, muscle,  
and nerve damage**  
and leave  
permanent scars.

## Consult With an Experienced Dog Bite Attorney

The attorneys at Mazow | McCullough, PC, have represented hundreds of victims of dog bites in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. They have the knowledge and experience to help you or a loved one recover from the unexpected trauma of being bitten by a dog. We pursue all potentially liable parties for their responsibility, and we help ensure that you or your loved one is fully compensated for the injuries.



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**John Maher:** Hi. I'm John Maher. Today I'm here with Robert Mazow and Kevin McCullough, of the law firm of Mazow McCullough, a personal injury law firm with offices in Massachusetts, and New Hampshire.

Robert and Kevin have a great deal of experience as dog bite attorneys, and today we're going to be talking about the importance of photographs in a dog bite case.

# Tricks & Tips to Describe an Invention in a Patent Application



By [Gene Quinn](#)  
December 26, 2015

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One of the biggest problems that inventors face when setting out to describe an invention is with defining what the law refers to as “alternative embodiments of the invention,” or simply “alternative embodiments.” Whenever you read the word “embodiment” in a patent application or issued patent the drafter is merely talking about a particular version of the invention.

The trouble many inventors have is that they don’t understand why they would ever have more than a single version of their invention. They will sometime say: “Everyone would do it this way and include all the features, you’d be crazy not to!” The problem created by this mentality can be enormous. If you do not describe it then it is not a part of your invention. So, for example, if you describe an invention as always having elements A + B + C + D and then someone makes virtually the same thing but leaves D (or any of the other elements out) they couldn’t possibly be infringing. Why? Because the invention was too narrowly described.

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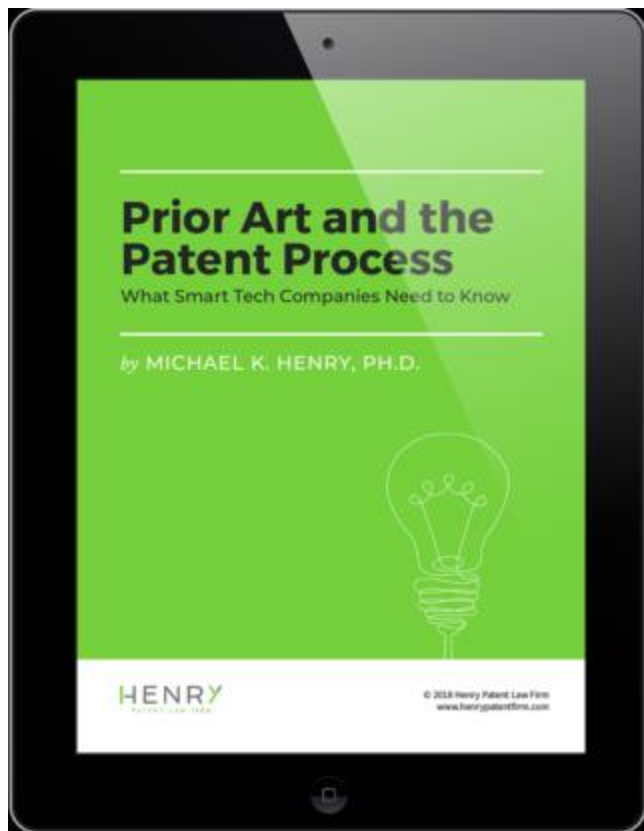
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**GSK Stockmann reinforces its compliance group with a lateral hire from Pohlmann & Company and continues its push to focus on specific industry sectors and internationalization. Eric Mayer (51) will join GSK Stockmann on December 1, 2017 as a partner and will play a key role in growing the compliance group at GSK.**

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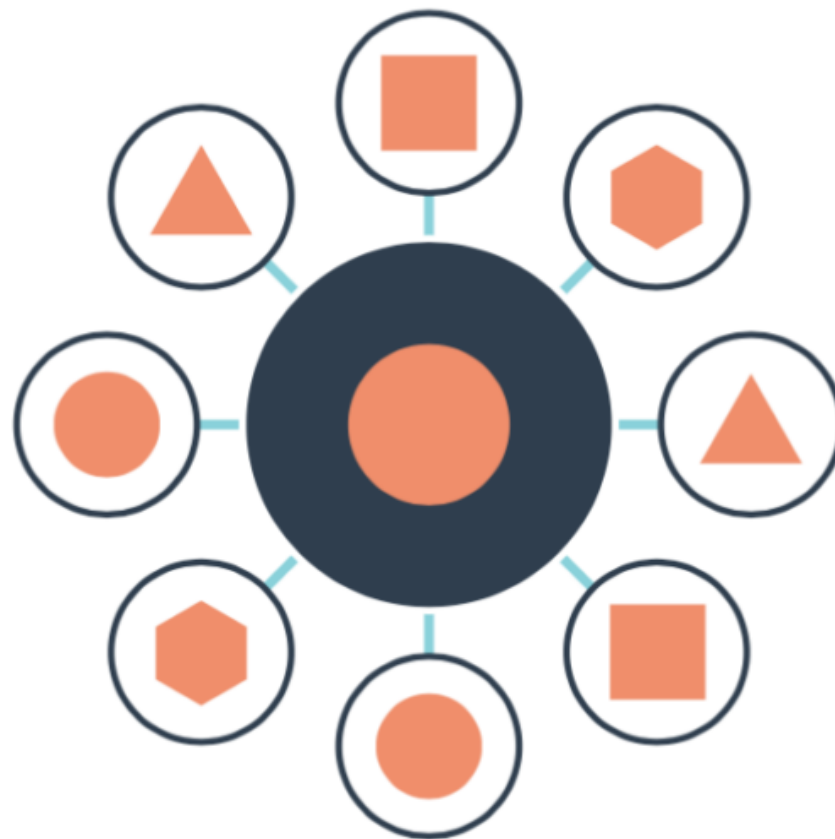
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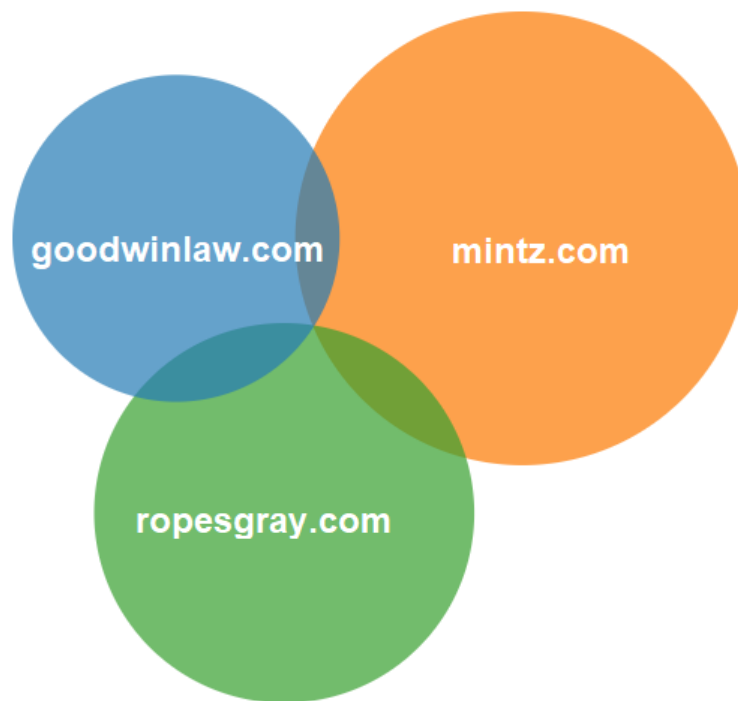
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# Use Keywords but Know They are More of a Prerequisite

" The importance of individual keywords continues to decline-also as a result of Google machine learning algorithms.

The relevant factors above showed that good rankings are based on the holistic optimization of text at a topic level, meaning that the keyword itself is now of secondary importance." Searchmetrics

## **Keywords go here**

Title Tag

Meta Description

Headings (H1 and use H2  
also)

Body Text

Alt Tags

URL

## **Keywords in the body**

Top 10 have 7.5  
instances

Top 20 have 7.4  
instances

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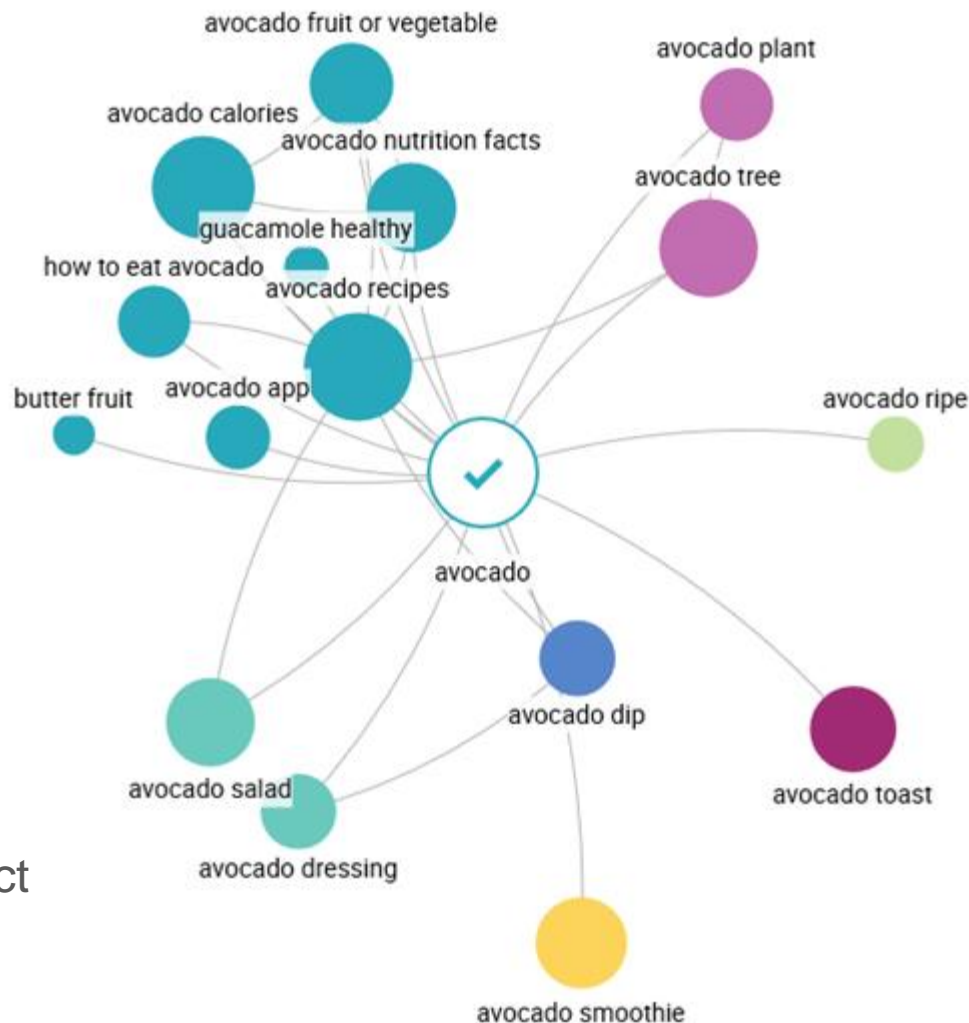
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# Content Factors

- Relevance is key
- Well over 1,000 words
- Comprehensiveness
- About half of the top 20 URLs include the keyword in their title.

“This clearly demonstrates that Google evaluates content according to its relevance – and not by the inclusion of individual keywords.” Searchmetrics

# Want to put yourself in the top 5% of bloggers?

Two million blog posts are published every day. Using any of the following techniques will put you in the top 5% of all bloggers, according to Orbit Medias 1,000-person study:

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## 4. Build a Team and a Process for Perfection

Just 2.8% of bloggers use more than one editor in their process.

## 5. Add Audio

Only 2.6% of bloggers are producing audio content.

## 6. Promote with social, SEO and email

Although research shows that the ideal blog post length for SEO is more like 1500 words, only 4 in 20

# Ideal Length Guidelines for Everything in Your Marketing

Blog Posts <i>(for ranking)</i>	1,500 words
Email Subject Lines <i>(for open rates)</i>	50 characters or less
Line of Text	12 words
Paragraph	4 lines or less
YouTube video <i>(for views)</i>	3 to 3.5 minutes
Podcast	22 minutes
Title Tags	55 characters
Meta Description	155 characters <i>(maximum)</i>
Facebook Post <i>(for likes &amp; shares)</i>	100-140 characters
Tweets <i>(for retweets)</i>	120-130 characters
Domain Name	8 characters or less

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YouTube video ( <i>for views</i> )	3 to 3.5 minutes
Podcast	22 minutes
Title Tags	55 characters
Meta Description	155 characters ( <i>maximum</i> )
Facebook Post ( <i>for likes &amp; shares</i> )	100-140 characters
Tweets ( <i>for retweets</i> )	120-130 characters
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# 3. Optimize User Signals

- Click-Through Rate, Time on Site, and Bounce Rate are top ranking factors.
- The pages in positions 1–3 have an average CTR of 36%.
- The average Bounce Rate for URLs on the first page of search results is 46%.
- The Time on Site for the top 10 URLs is 3 minutes and 10 seconds

# Use Compelling Title and Meta Desc.

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# 4. Optimize User Experience

- Internal links are said to be one of the most important user experience ranking factors yet often not optimized.
- A reasonable amount of external links to resources is helpful
- Use a legible font size
- Have a decent number of images
- Include videos
- Add lists and bullet points.
- Avoid: Too many ads, excessive links, Flash, excessively long bullet lists

# Systematically Lower Bounce Rate



Visits

1,011

Unique Visitors

887

Pageviews

1,404

Pages / Visit

1.39

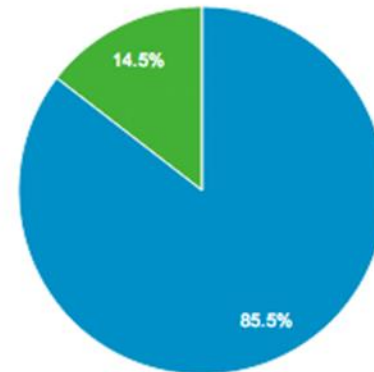
Avg. Visit Duration

00:01:15

Bounce Rate

78.73%

■ New Visitor ■ Returning Visitor



**Bounce Rate**

# Target Pages that Stink at Deepening Visits

Page ?	Pageviews ? ↓	Unique Pageviews ?	Avg. Time on Page ?	Entrances ?	Bounce Rate ?	% Exit ?
	3,971 % of Total: 12.02% (33,026)	3,633 % of Total: 13.99% (25,966)	00:04:12 Avg for View: 00:01:58 (114.68%)	3,436 % of Total: 16.06% (21,394)	88.33% Avg for View: 83.89% (5.29%)	84.94% Avg for View: 64.78% (31.12%)
1. /content-marketing/14-highly-profitable-internet-marketing-strategies-for-law-firms/ 	3,971(100.00%)	3,633(100.00%)	00:04:12	3,436(100.00%)	88.33%	84.94%

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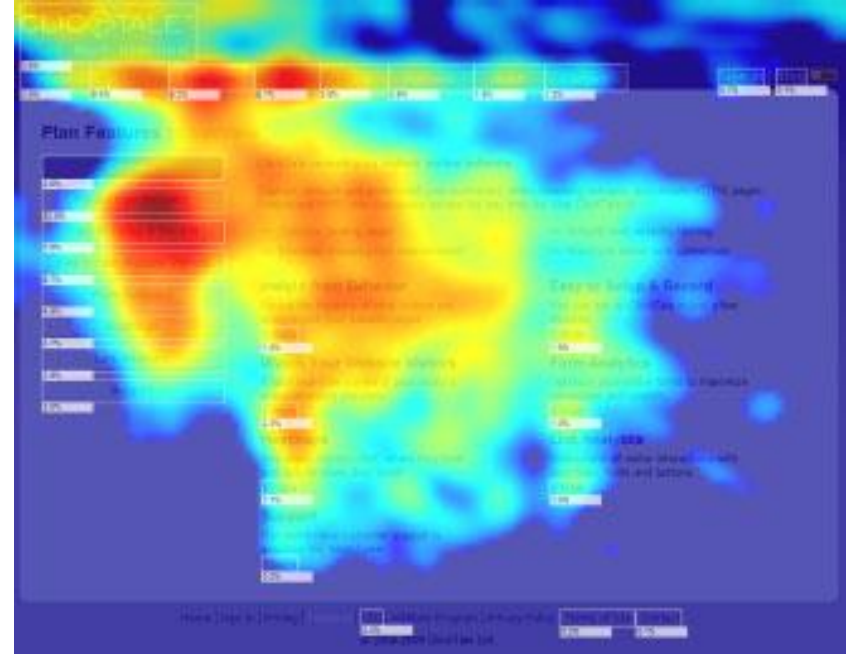
## Yesterday's data won't perform today

One huge challenge content marketers face when creating content for a new topic is that it's hard to get any useful data. No database in the world (besides Google's own [index](#)) can automatically include everything as soon as it's picked up by the [Googlebot](#), which logically means that things will have lost at least some of their freshness by the time a search database has incorporated them.

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# Do User Tests and Use Heat Maps to Improve Time on Site



Tools: [usertesting.com](http://usertesting.com), [userbrain.com](http://userbrain.com), [crazyegg.com](http://crazyegg.com), [hotjar.com](http://hotjar.com), [clicktale.com](http://clicktale.com)

# 5. Correct Technical Problems

- Set up a site audit [semrush.com/features/site-audit](https://semrush.com/features/site-audit)
- Use HTTPS
- Google says: Slow mobile pages start to load in over 2.5 seconds.
- Fix broken links, indexing and sitemap issues
- Fix too long/short/missing/duplicate title tags and meta descriptions
- All 100 of the top 100 domains are mobile-friendly.
- Since not all URLs make use of H2s, Searchmetrics recommends using them for a competitive advantage

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# Custom 404 Pages



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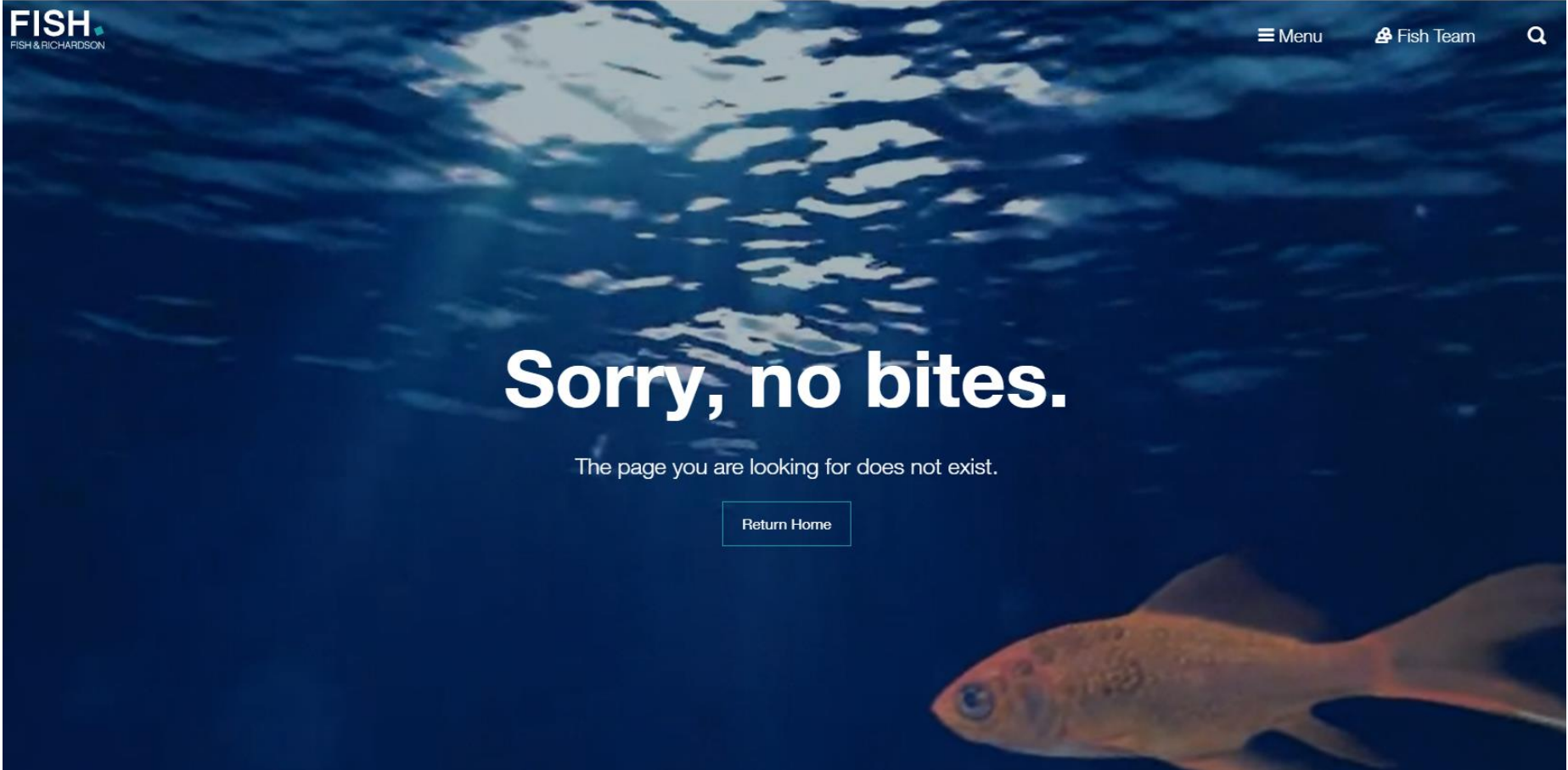
## Ahhhhhhhhhhhh! This page doesn't exist

Not to worry. You can either head back to [our homepage](#), or sit there and listen to a goat scream like a human.

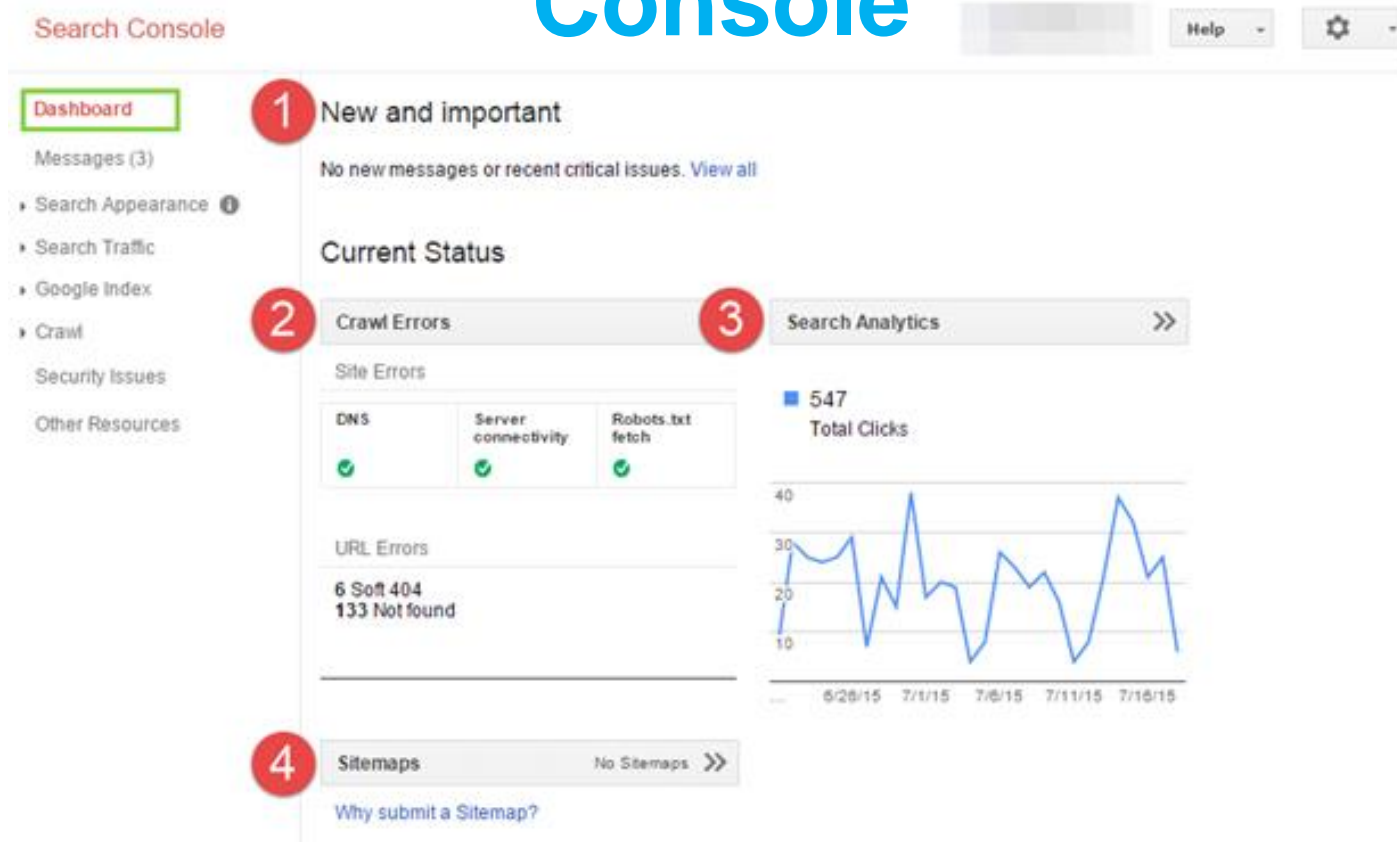




# Creative 404 page from Fish & Richardson



# Set Up and Use Google Search Console



Tools: <https://search.google.com/search-console/welcome>

# Optimize Mobile UX / Site Speed

Report generated: Thu, May 28, 2015, 1:44 PM -0700

Test Server Region: Vancouver, Canada

Using: Firefox (Desktop) 25.0.1, Page Speed 1.12.16, YSlow 3.1.8



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Looks like you might not be using a CDN

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## Summary

Page Speed Grade:

(53%)↓

E

YSlow Grade:

(64%)↓

D

Page load time: 25.60s

Total page size: 4.14MB

Total number of requests: 537

## Breakdown

Page Speed

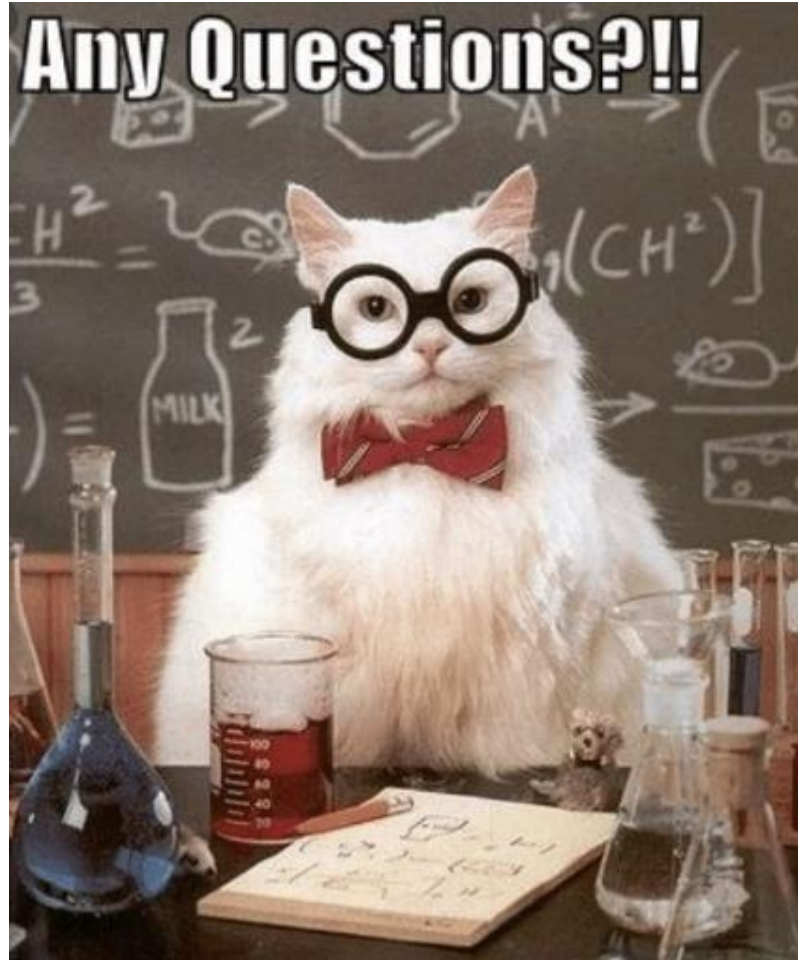
YSlow

Timeline

History

RECOMMENDATION	GRADE		TYPE	PRIORITY
Leverage browser caching	<div><div></div></div> F (1)	↓	Server	High
Enable gzip compression	<div><div></div></div> F (2)	↓	Server	High
Defer parsing of JavaScript	<div><div></div></div> F (19)	↓	JS	High
Optimize Images	<div><div></div></div> F (49)	↓	Images	High
Specify image dimensions	<div><div></div></div> D (64)	↑	Images	High

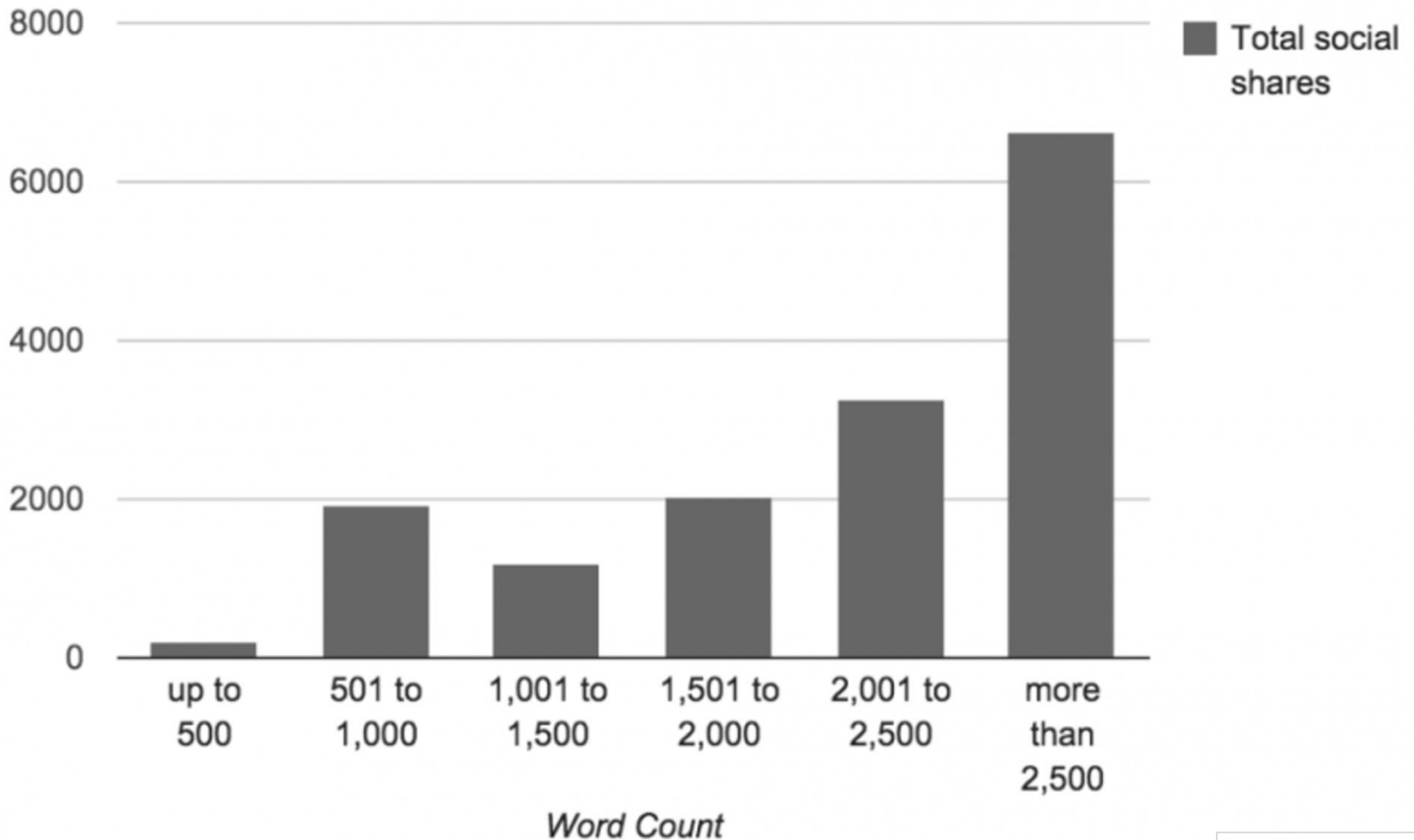
Tools: [gtmetrix.com](http://gtmetrix.com), [developers.google.com/speed](http://developers.google.com/speed)



## 6. Optimize “Supportive” Social Signals

- There is an extremely high correlation between social signals and ranking position, despite Google saying social is not a direct ranking factor.
- Facebook Ads, boosts and groups can get your link worthy content linked to which directly affect SEO.
- YouTube is more “Popular” than Facebook and since videos appear for certain searches, you miss out on those highly visible features if you don’t have videos.
- Journalists love Twitter and more likely interview you if you look alive on social
- LinkedIn Builds thought leadership with a business audience who can share and link to your content.
- Brands rank better and few popular brands do not have strong social.

## Word Count and Social Shares



Source: Buffer

# Understand The Most Shared Content

**ahrefs** Dashboard Alerts Site Explorer Content Explorer Keywords Explorer Tools ▾

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**Overview**  
**Backlink profile ▾**  
Backlinks

- New
- Lost
- Broken

Referring domains

- New
- Lost

Anchors

- Top referring content
- Referring IPs

**Organic search ▾**  
Organic keywords

- New
- Movements

Top pages 🔥Competing domainsCompeting pagesContent gap 🔥  
**Pages ▾**  
Best by linksBest by links' growthBest by sharesTop content

## The Best Pages by Shares <sup>i</sup>

Platforms ▾ Languages ▾ Search in results 🔍

256,830 results

#	Page	🐦	📘	📌	🌐	📌	Total
1	<b>5 Easy Ways to Grow Your Email Marketing List   The National Law Review</b> <a href="http://www.natlawreview.com/article/5-easy-ways-to-grow-your-email-marketing-list">www.natlawreview.com/article/5-easy-ways-to-grow-your-email-marketing-list</a> ▾ EN CMS	216	232	203	16	3	670
2	<b>Lawyers May Advise on Clients' Social Media Clean-Up   The National Law Review</b> <a href="http://www.natlawreview.com/article/lawyers-may-advise-clients-social-media-clean-up">www.natlawreview.com/article/lawyers-may-advise-clients-social-media-clean-up</a> ▾ EN CMS	249	154	28	186	1	618
3	<b>National Law Review: latest business law news and legal analysis</b> <a href="http://www.natlawreview.com/">www.natlawreview.com/</a> ▾ EN CMS	383	119	5.7K	11	0	6.2K
4	<b>Michael Best &amp; Friedrich LLP   The National Law Review</b> <a href="http://www.natlawreview.com/organization/michael-best-friedrich-llp">www.natlawreview.com/organization/michael-best-friedrich-llp</a> ▾ EN CMS	92	148	1	95	0	336
5	<b>3.7 Million Americans Use Legal Self-Help Centers: ABA Report   The National Law Review</b> <a href="http://www.natlawreview.com/article/37-million-americans-use-legal-self-help-centers-aba-report">www.natlawreview.com/article/37-million-americans-use-legal-self-help-centers-aba-report</a> ▾ CMS	67	1.1K	18	73	0	1.2K
6	<b>Top Social Media Trends in 2015   The National Law Review</b> <a href="http://www.natlawreview.com/article/top-social-media-trends-2015">www.natlawreview.com/article/top-social-media-trends-2015</a> ▾ EN CMS	729	179	11	61	14	994
7	<b>New Intellectual Property (IP) Enforcement Policy in the EU   The National Law Review</b>	67	73	2	59	0	201

Tools: ahrefs.com



## 7. Have a concrete plan for earning links

- The correlation for backlinks remains high, but their importance is set to continue its decline.
- For certain niche topics its possible to obtain a high ranking without a lot of high quality backlinks.

# Use the right tools

ahrefs		If Domain Rank
Referring Domain		
1.	wordpress.org	96
2.	plus.google.com	94
3.	apple.com	92
4.	en.wikipedia.org	91
5.	bit.ly	89
6.	lofter.com	89
7.	vimeo.com	89
8.	huffingtonpost.com	87
9.	mashable.com	87
10.	secureserver.net	87
11.	joomla.org	86
12.	feedburner.com	85
13.	shareaholic.com	85
14.	forbes.com	84
15.	reddit.com	84

Tools: ahrefs.com

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- Paid: filters, profile, mobile alerts
- “Submit a New Pitch”

- Overview
- Backlink profile
- Backlinks
  - New
  - Lost
  - Broken
- Referring domains
  - New
  - Lost
- Anchor
- Top referring content
- Referring IPs
- Organic search
- Organic keywords
  - New
  - Movements
- Top pages
- Competing domains
- Competing pages
- Content gap
- Pages
  - Best by links
  - Best by links' growth
  - Best by shares
  - Top content

# The Best Pages by Backlinks

Platforms

Languages

All HTTP codes

Search in results

258,424 results

#	Page	UR ↓	RD	Dofollow	Nofollow
1	National Law Review: latest business law news and legal analysis www.natlawreview.com/ EN CMS	48	416	23,981	271
2	Despite Brexit, UK to Implement the EU General Data Protection Regulation   The National Law Review www.natlawreview.com/article/despite-brexit-uk-to-implement-eu-general-data-protection-regulation-0 EN CMS	30	66	72	11
3	The National Law Review Terms of Use   The National Law Review www.natlawreview.com/national-law-review-terms-use EN CMS	29	44	527	7
4	The National Law Review Privacy Policy   The National Law Review www.natlawreview.com/national-law-review-s-privacy-policy EN CMS	28	43	523	8
5	Search   The National Law Review www.natlawreview.com/nlr-legal-analysis-and-news-database-search EN CMS	28	41	513	7
6	Contact Us   The National Law Review www.natlawreview.com/contact-us EN CMS	26	32	497	9
7	Legal Marketing Stats Lawyers Need to Know   The National Law Review www.natlawreview.com/article/legal-marketing-stats-lawyers-need-to-know EN CMS	26	37	189	6

Controversial Content Gets Links

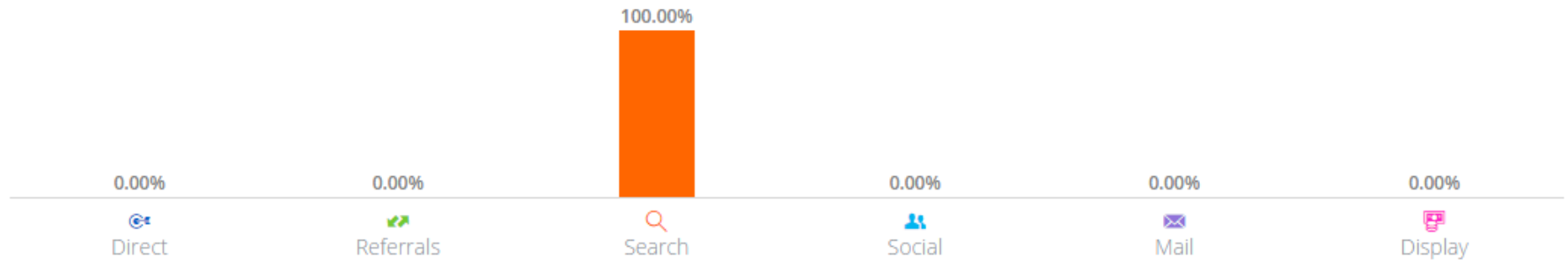
Tools: ahrefs.com

# 8. Optimize for all Traffic Sources – Brand Build

Traffic Sources ⓘ

🖥️ On desktop

 SimilarWeb



Tools: [similarweb.com](https://similarweb.com)

# RETHINK SEO COMPLETELY!!!

## Classic On-Site SEO (ranking inputs)

Keyword Targeting

Quality & Uniqueness

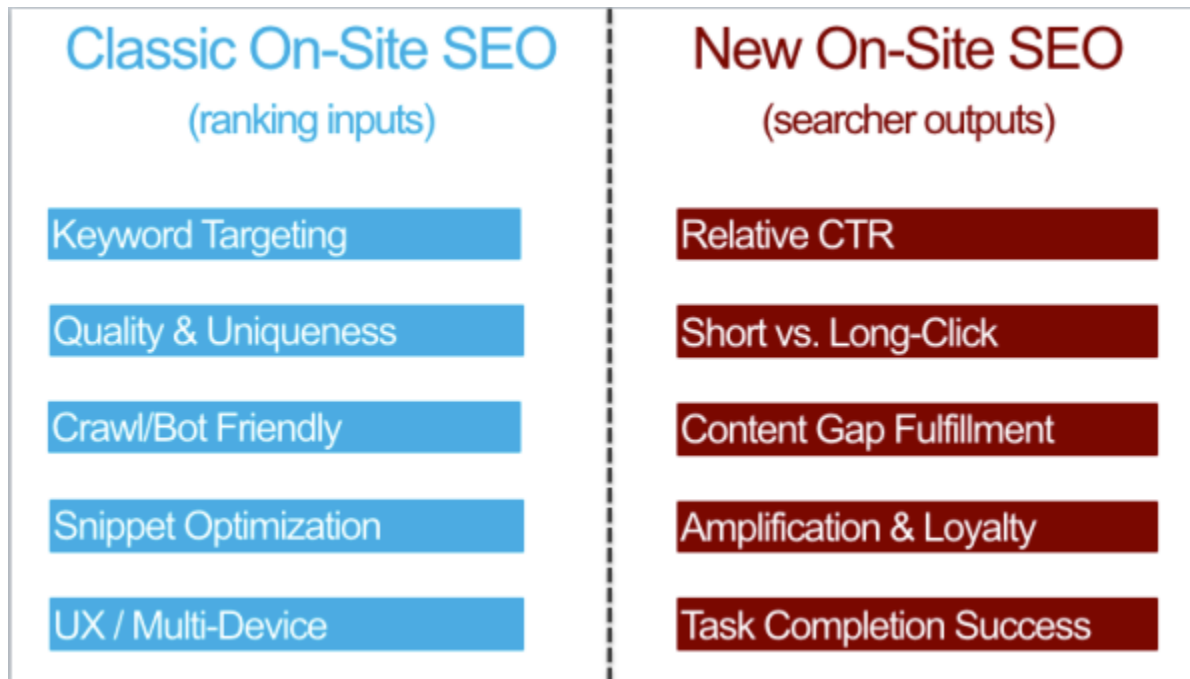
Crawl/Bot Friendly

Snippet Optimization

UX / Multi-Device

Source: [contentmarketinginstitute.com/2016/03/future-content-rankings](http://contentmarketinginstitute.com/2016/03/future-content-rankings)

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# Be On the Right Platform For Your SERPs:

Videos: YouTube Vimeo Facebook

E-Commerce: G Shopping Amazon eBay Etsy

Podcasts: iTunes Libsyn G Soundcloud

Local Businesses: G Apple Maps Bing Maps

News: G News

Apps: iTunes G

Source: Rand Fishkin (Map keywords to content types and pages)

## 9. Use Authority Marketing



Expertise, Authoritativeness, Trustworthiness

Tools: [authoritymarketing.com/quiz](https://authoritymarketing.com/quiz)



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- Custody and Parenting Time
- Alimony and child support
- Equitable distribution
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# Conclusion

To succeed in SEO and content marketing, you must be able to shift as fast as algorithms do, have a technically proficient website and build real authority, based on content that has insight, not just content to satisfy search engines.

If you have true insight inside you, the rest will fall in line with the right help.



# Resources/Tools

1. ahrefs.com
  2. buzzsumo.com
  3. gtmetrix.com
  4. webpagetest.org
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