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Google, Competition and Openness



Today's Headlines...

Gogle

"One company [is] now the world's chief gateway to information! (Boston Globe, 6/22/08)

'Google, Apple, Intel: The Next
Competition Targets?"
(TechDaily, 1/11/08)

"So when do we get over with it and declare Google a monopoly?"
(CNET News.com, 7/22/08)



... Have a Familiar Ring

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Just a few years ago...

YAHOO!

"The most successful company ever spawned by the World Wide Web.

Yahoo! has won the search-engine wars and is poised for much bigger things." (Fortune, 3/2/98)



"AltaVista was the Google of its era. [...] By 1997, AltaVista was truly king of search." (*The Search*, 2005)



"For a short period in 1999, <u>Lycos became the most popular online</u> destination in the world." (*The Search*, 2005)

The Lesson:

Search has always been a highly competitive space – and companies can't get too comfortable



Claims on DoubleClick deal not born out

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Gogle + double click

Claims made in 2007	Reality (2009)
Display advertising prices will increase	Display advertising prices have dropped 53% since FTC approved Google-DoubleClick deal (Source: PubMatic Ad Price Index, January 2009)
Consumer privacy will be harmed	Ads preference manager hailed as "giant leap for privacy," offering "unprecedented level of choice and control" (Berin Szoka, Progress & Freedom Foundation; Rebecca Lieb, ClickZ)
Consolidation would reduce innovation and competition	New display formats released; AOL's Platform-A leads in display ad reach; Yahoo #2, ValueClick #3, Google #4 (Source: comScore Ad Focus, Feb. 2009)



A Reality Check on Size

Google

	Microsoft [*]	at&t	verizon	PRODUCTION OF THE PRODUCTION O	Google
Revenues	\$60 billion	\$118 billion	\$93 billion	\$98 billion	\$21 billion
Gross Profits	\$48 billion	\$61 billion	\$55 billion	\$41 billion	\$13 billion
Operating Expenses	\$38.3 billion	\$98 billion	\$77 billion	\$85 billion	\$16 billion
Market Cap	\$184 billion	\$148 billion	\$90 billion	\$113 billion	\$99 billion
Employees	91,000	309,050	228,315	386,000	20,123
PAC Donations	\$1.7 million	\$4.9 million	\$1.7 million	N/A	\$287,000
Lobbying Budget	\$6.8 million	\$11.7 million	\$13 million	\$5.3 million	\$2 million

Sources: Reuters, 2008 annual earnings reports, OpenSecrets.org



Openness and Competition Principles

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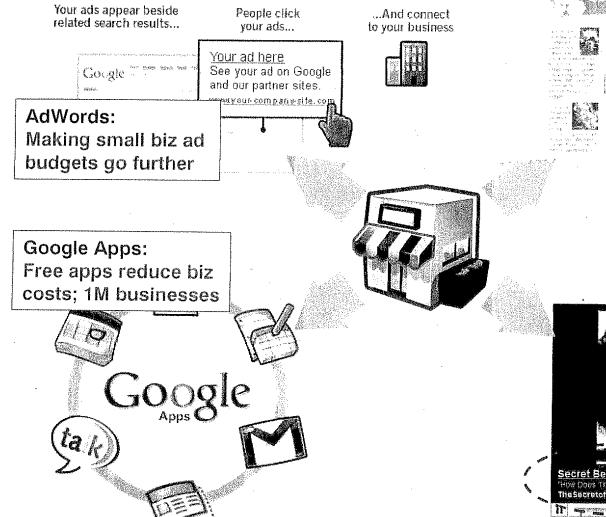
- Help other businesses be more competitive.
- 2 Make it easy for users to change.
- Open is better than closed.
- 4. Competition is just one click away.
- 6 Advertisers pay what a click is worth to them.
- Advertisers have many choices in a dynamic market.

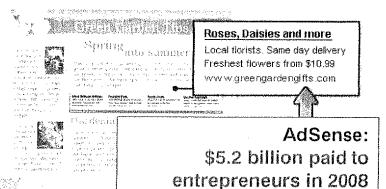




Help other businesses compete











2 Make it Easy for Users to Change

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 "Data Liberation Front" – team of engineers building data export functionality into Google products



Product	Export Formats	Product	Export Formats
Google Analytics	PDF, CSV, XML, TSV	@ Google"	CSV
E Blogger Blogger	RSS, Atom	iGoogle NEW 3	GadgetTabML
Google Galendar BETA	XML, iCal	Google"	HTML
Google Checkout	CSV	Google Reader 8 SETA	OPML
Google Docs	HTML, Word, PDF, RTF, OpenOffice, Text, CSV, Excel, Powerpoint		XMPP
Google	OFX	You (Tillite)	MP4 (Currently limited basis)
GM31 byCloogle BETA	POP, IMAP	Web History	RSS





Open is Better than Closed

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Open Closed Enhances competition Reduces competition Encourages innovation Discourages innovation Interoperable Not interoperable Source code available to Source code locked down outside developers User data trapped User data can be moved Internet Mozilla **Firefox** Explorer 7



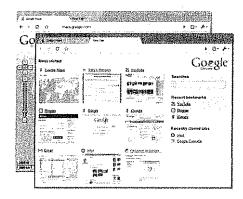
Open source and open standards

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- Google has opened up more than <u>one million</u> <u>lines of code</u> and more than <u>100 software</u> <u>projects</u>
- Hosting more than 150,000 open source projects developed by non-Googlers
- Chrome: Open source browser
- Android: Open source mobile OS (T-Mobile); 800 apps









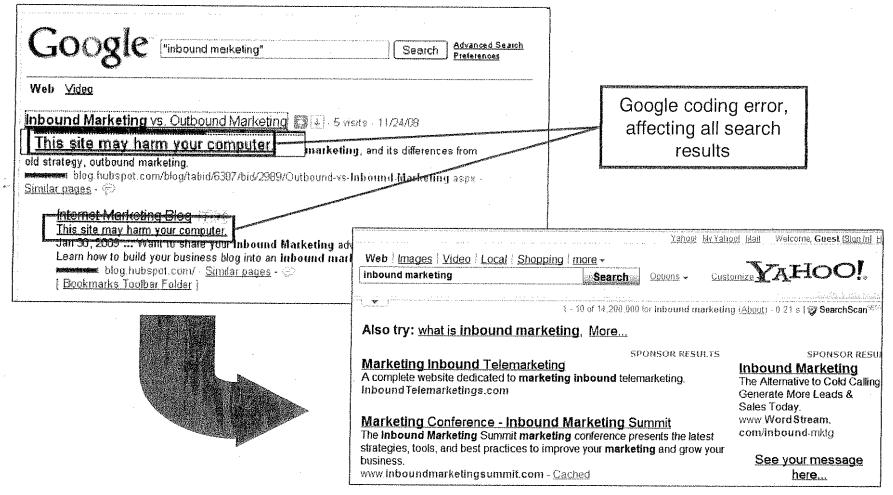




4. Competition is One Click Away

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 Jan 31 Malware incident: Yahoo! queries <u>doubled</u> over normal levels during Google search error

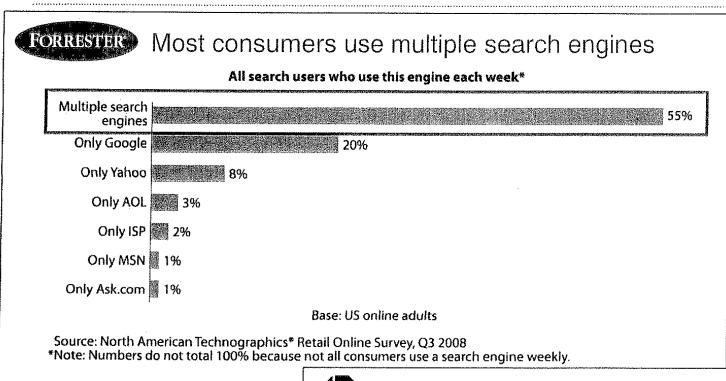


Source: Wall Street Journal, 3/17/09



Most consumers willing to switch





Source: Shar Van Boskirk, Forrester, 2/3/09



Would you consider switching search engines?

 All Users
 Google Users

 38.2% No
 37.5% No

 61.8% Yes
 62.5% Yes

Source: JP Morgan survey, January 2009



Search: Innovations and Investments

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YAHOO! SEARCH

- SearchMonkey (open developer platform)
- BOSS (Build Your Own Search Service)

"[Yahoo and Microsoft] have invested heavily to catch up in search and online ad auctions."

> - New York Times (10/13/07)



- Planning \$100M ad campaign to promote search engine
- Jan. 2009 syndication deals with Dell, Verizon Wireless
- Cash back service to increase traffic
- Acquired Powerset, startup in semantic search



- 3-D search, other innovations in search results
- TV advertising campaign



How to explain Google's success in search Google

Economies of scale?

- Increased competition in data centers
- Search improvements based on 1% of queries

Network effects?

 Value of a search engine doesn't depend on # of people using it (like fax machines)

"Learning by Doing"

- Economic theory developed by economist Kenneth Arrow in 1962
- The longer a company has been doing something, the better it gets at doing it
- Google has been doing search for 10 years, constant experimentation and improvement



Many competitors in search and navigation Google



Semantic Search

Powerset hakia*

"Many industry experts say
Google's present service may
ultimately be seen as a <u>primitive</u>
<u>precursor</u> to more-advanced
services that better handle video
or render results in threedimensions. Microsoft, Yahoo
and Google are all investing in
such areas."

- Wall Street Journal (1/16/09)



Technology models evolve quickly

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Broadband







Friendster





Facebook







Directory model





Search / PageRank











Advertisers pay what a click is worth to them Google

Anatomy of a Google search result page

		Aus
Google gardening Search Preferences		(sold via keyword
Web News Blogs Results 1 - 10 of about 64,800.0	strongardening [definition]. (0.21 sec	auction)
Gardening Sponsored Link	Sponsored Links	
Www.Scotts.com/Miracle-Gro Give Your Garden a Foundation For Growth w/ Miracle-Gro® Garden Soil® Gardening Ideas, Garden Design, Gardening Tips & Advice, Garden About Gardening - How to Grow Plants, Plant Problems, Garden Pictures, Garden Design Ideas, Tips, Information & Advice on Gardening, Getting Started in the gardening. about com/ - 33k - Cached - Similar pages - Information and inspiration on gardening with answers to questions about lawns, landscapes, trees, shrubs, perennials, annuals, vegetables, www.garden.org/ - 26k - Cached - Similar pages - Information and Ideas, Gardening, Lawn Care, Flowers, Landscape HGTV Landscaping Ideas, Gardening advice? Visit HGTV.com for tips and how-to information about gardening, landscape design, lawn care and more.	Gurney's Seed & Nursery Free \$25 Worth Of Seed & Plants. Try Us Out - America's Favorite! www.Gurneys.com Gardening Join a global movement to grow a better food system. Learn How! www.KitchenGardeners.org Gardener's Supply Company Gardening Tools, Gifts & Supplies - innovative, Earth-Friendly Products www.Gardeners.com/Official-Site	
www.hgtv.com/landscaping/index.html - 85k - Cached - Similar pages	Springtime at Longwood	
News results for gardening A Vegetable Garden Grows at the White House - 21 hours ago Earlier this month, Michelle Obama and twenty-three schoolchildren helped prepare the ground	More than 145,000 Beautiful Bulbs See a Rainbow of Color in Bloom! www.LongwoodGardens.org	
for an organic vegetable garden on the South Lawn of the White	Gardening Tips	
Voice of America - 42 related articles » Ad Rank = Cost-	oer-click bid × Qu	ality Score

"Natural" Search Results

(ranked by algorithm)



How the Ad Auction Works



 Google's ad prices are set by competitive auction, ensuring that prices are market-driven

Create an ad

Nike Shoes

Shop Nike Shoes at Footlocker Nike Shoes. Casual, Retro, & More! www.FootLocker.com 2

Choose keywords

Nike shoes Nike sneakers Sports equipment Running shoes

What is the most you would like to spend, on average, per day?

The daily budget ② controls your costs. When the daily limit is reached, on average, your ad will stop showing for that day. (The budget controls the frequency of your ad, not its position.) Raise or lower your budget as often as you like.

Enter your daily budget: \$ 50

How will my budget affect my ad performance?

What is the maximum you are willing to pay each time someone clicks on your ad?

You influence your ad's position by setting its maximum cost per click (CPC) ** The max CPC is the highest price you're willing to pay each time a user clicks on your ad. Your max CPC can be changed as often as you like.

CPC bld: \$ 1

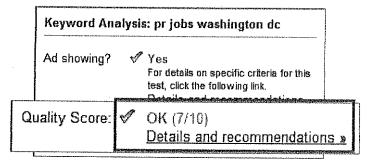
- No exclusivity
- No fixed duration
- No minimum budgets
- Can export campaigns to other platforms
- Pay the price of next highest bidder



Quality Scores and "First Page" Bids



Quality Scores



- Reflects predicted click through rate
- Ensure that users see most relevant ads -- not just the highest bidder
- Google, Yahoo! and Microsoft all use quality scores
- Algorithmic score reflects consumers' preferences
- Allows smaller companies to compete

Click through rate

- Historical CTR of ad and keyword
- CTR for entire account

Relevance

- Relevance of keyword to ads
- Relevance of ad and keyword to search query
- Ad's performance in geographic region

Landing page quality

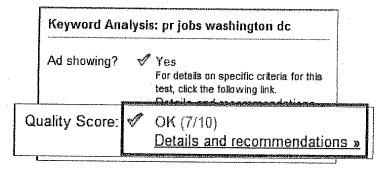
- Relevant and original content
- Transparent about nature of business
- Easy navigation



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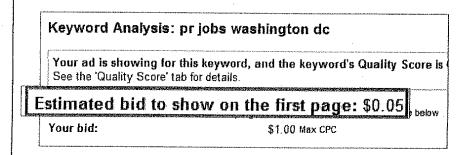


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"First Page" Bids



- Replaced minimum bids in November 2008
- Based on quality score and competition for keywords
- Estimates necessary bid for ad to show on first page
- Helps deter low quality spam ads



Cost per acquisition, not cost per click

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- Cost per click less important to advertisers than the cost of acquiring a new customer
- Example: EvesAddiction.com (Raymond Galeotti)



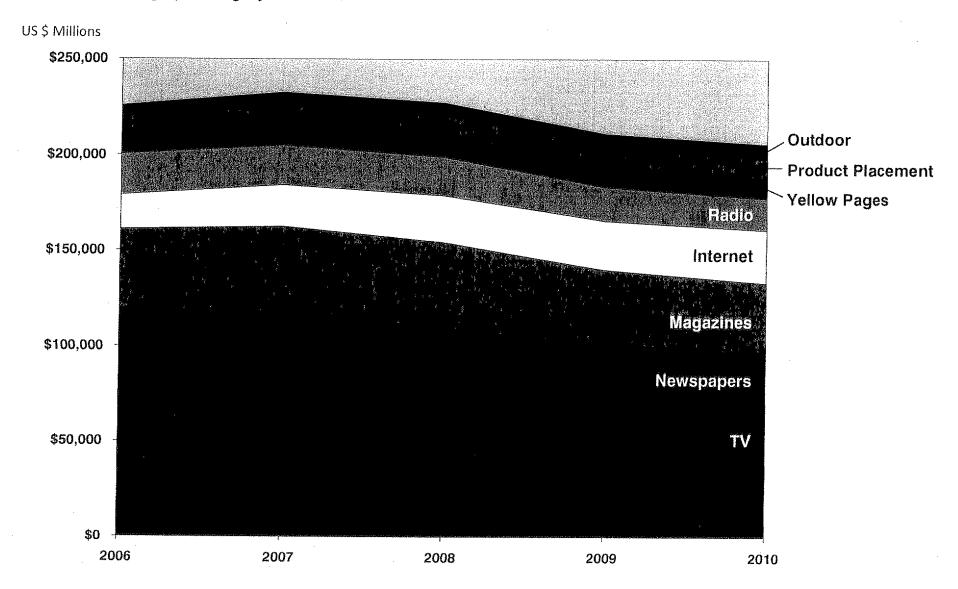
	Last Year	This Year (Using Google ad targeting and analytics tools)
Bid	\$.50/click	ase \$.80/click
Sales conversion	2 new customers per every 100 clicks	4 new customers per every 100 clicks
	<u>\$.50 x 100</u> 2	\$.80 × 100 4
Cost of acquiring new customer	\$25	\$20





Advertisers have many choices

U.S. advertising spending by medium, eMarketer



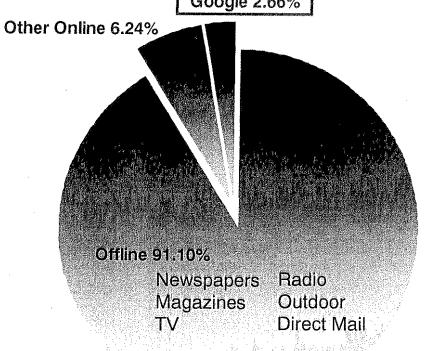


Google share of all ads and online ads



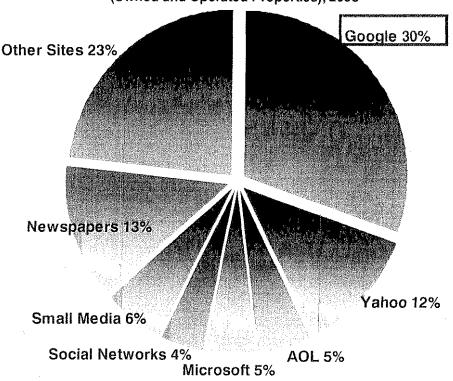
Google Has <3% of Total Ad Revenue

Share of All U.S. Ad Revenue, 2008
Google 2.66%



Google Has ~30% of Online Ad Revenue

Share of Online Ad Revenue (Owned and Operated Properties), 2008



Source: Cowen & Co. report, 1/09



Smart ad campaigns have many components

(display) ads





- "Are [text and display ads] in the same market? If the price of one goes up, will publishers switch to the other? We think the answer's yes."
 - Brad Smith, General Counsel, Microsoft (Doubleclick Senate Testimony, 9/27/07)

- Most ads influence consumers as early as 60 days prior to a sale (Source: Microsoft Engagement Mapping, March 2009 study)
- Search clickers exposed to display advertising <u>22% more likely</u> to produce a sale (Source: Microsoft Engagement Mapping, Sept. 2008 study)



Online advertising is dynamic

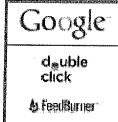
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Major Media Firms Acquiring and Launching Ad Networks

<u>Acquisitions</u>















Launches

















Source: IAB / GCA Savvian, June 2008



Conclusion

 Google welcomes competition because it stimulates innovation, makes us all work harder, and provides users with more choice

"I think Google's competition will come from the same place Google did. It will sneak out of nowhere... It will come from someone small enough, visionary enough, obsessive enough and ballsy enough to still do great things, without those great things being picked to death at the boardroom table."

- Gord Hotchkiss, Search Engine Analyst (Enquiro Blog, 5/15/08)