Content Marketing in 2019

How to please search engines and attract visitors in an ever changing landscape

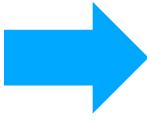
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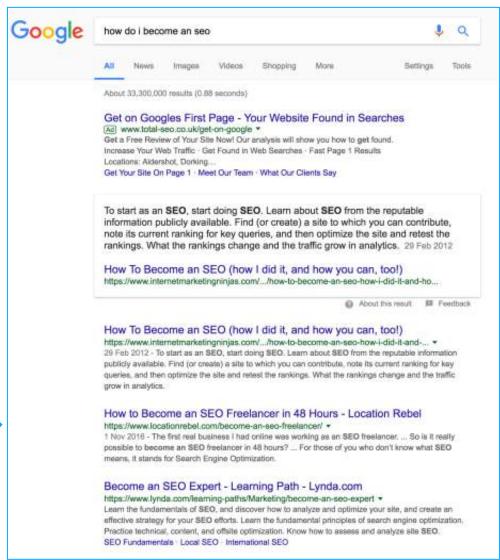


An introduction to SEO

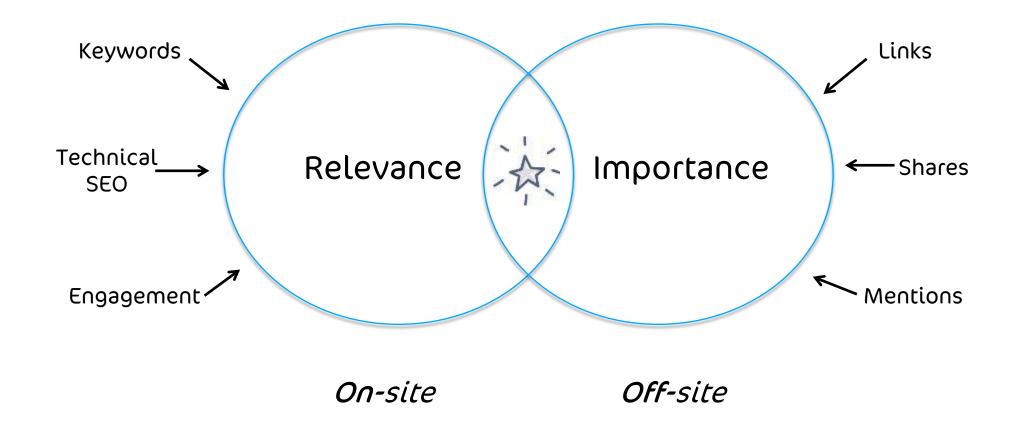
SEO basics

70% of clicks happen here





SEO basics



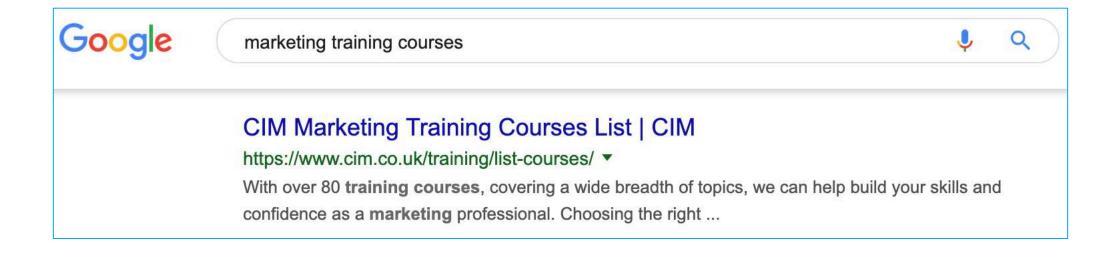
On-site SEO (keywords)



Prove your web pages are RELEVANT

- Page titles
- Meta descriptions
- URLs
- Body copy

On-site SEO (keywords)



Off-site SEO (links)

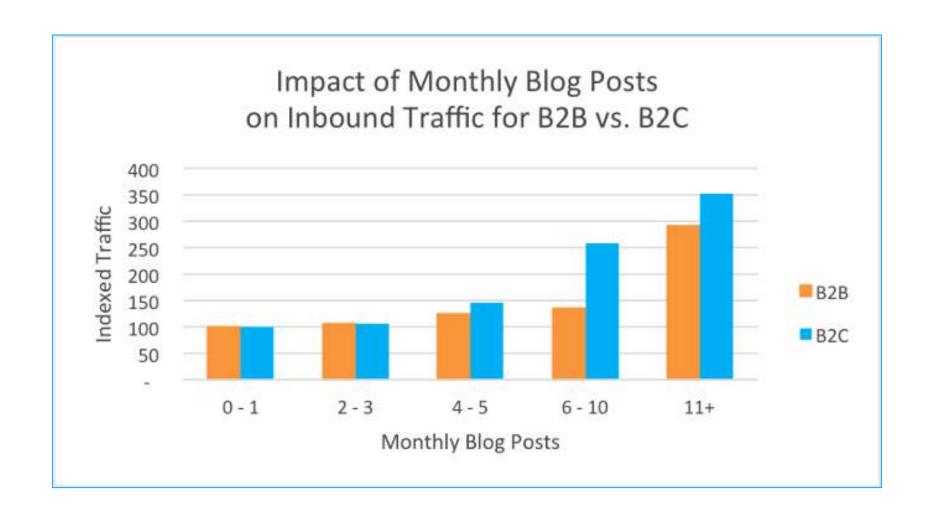


Prove your web site is IMPORTANT

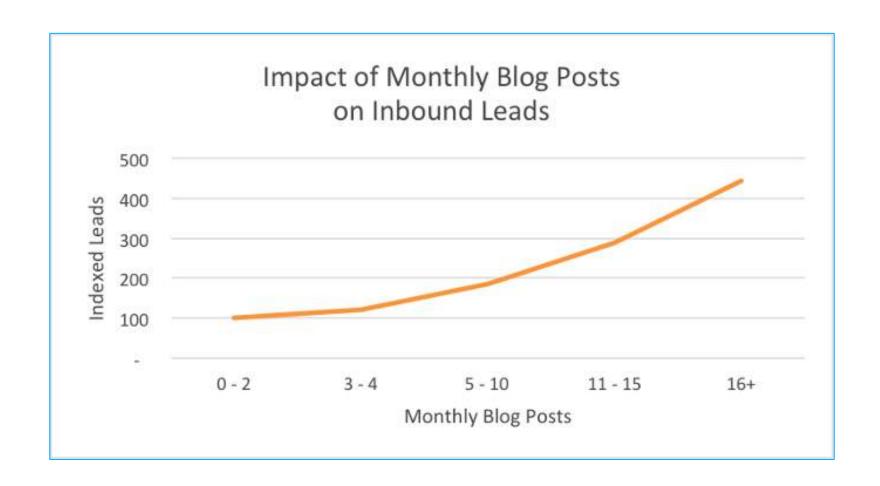
In-bound links, from:

- Relevant domains
- Authority domains

SEO = content



Content = enquiries and sales



Major Google updates that affect your content

Panda



The big "content" update

Targeting low quality content, such as:

- Thin pages
- Duplication

Penguin



The big "links" update

Targeting low quality links, such as:

- Spam
- Paid

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The big "trust" update

Also known as "EAT":

- Expertise
- Authority
- Trust

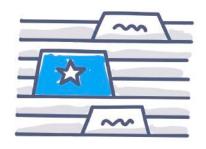
SEO Summary

You need to create content that...

- Is unique
- Is keyword optimised
- Funnels users
- Attracts good links
- Conveys authority, expertise and trust

Planning your content

Existing content audit

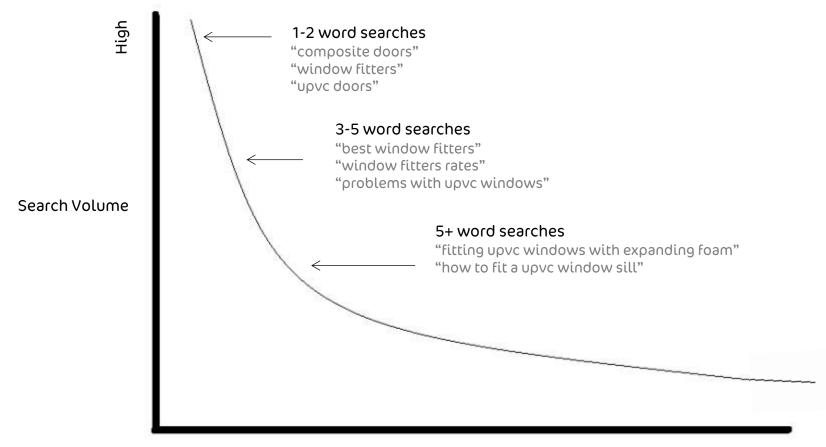


What needs improving?

Data points:

- Google Analytics
- Search Console
- Rankings reports
- Internal search

Keyword research

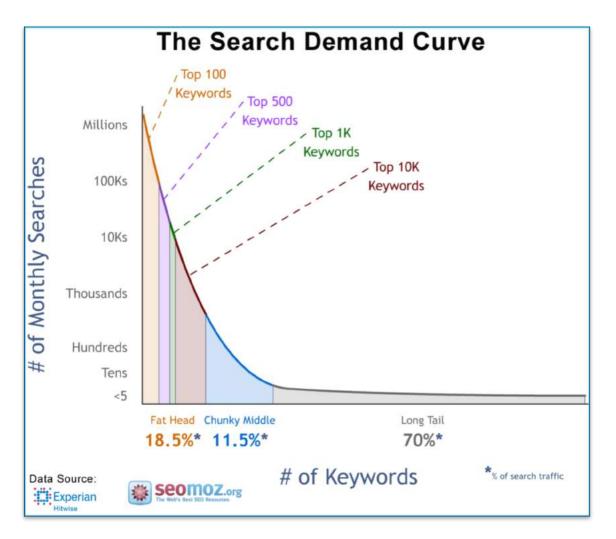


Low

Keyword research

"Long tail" keywords:

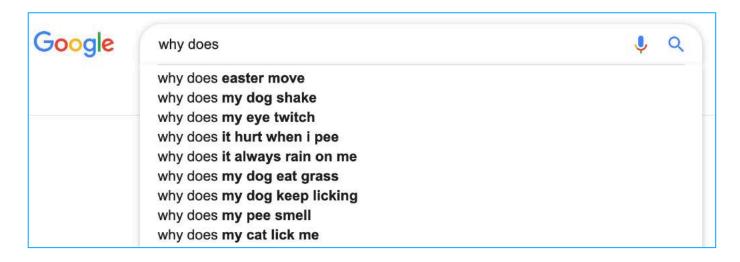
- low volume
- low competition
- highly specific
- higher conversions

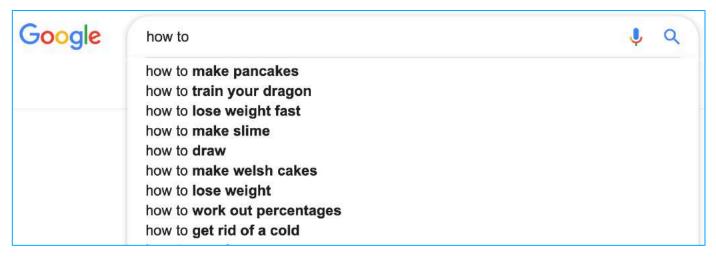


Search trends



Google suggest is a good place to start





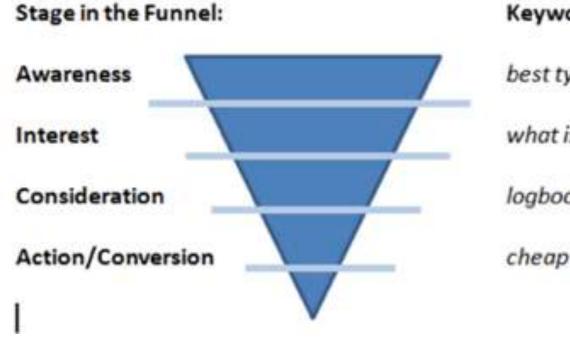
Competitor analysis



What are their strengths and weaknesses?

- What keywords are they after?
- Do they rank for them?
- Who links to them?
- Who retweets/likes them?

User funneling



Keyword examples:

best type of short term loan

what is a logbook loan

logbook loans vs payday loans

cheap logbook loans

Website at any stage of the funnel

Content calendar



For on-site and off-site pieces

Bringing it all together:

- Old content to recycle
- New content to create
- Target keywords
- Target personas
- Goals for each piece

Fixing your content

Recycling

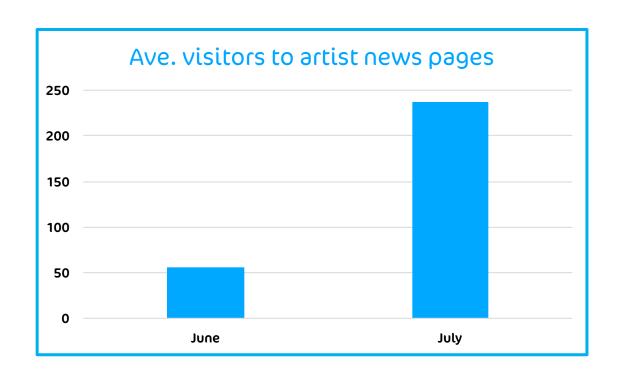


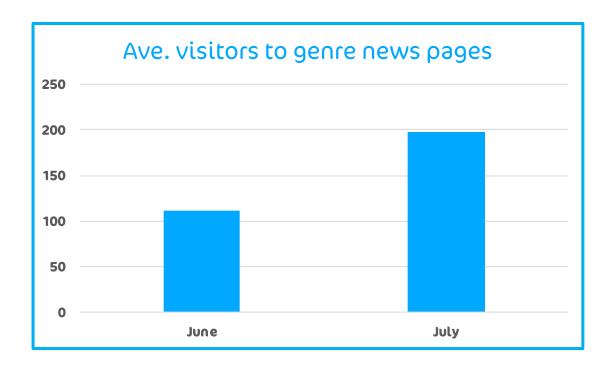
The content marketing quick win

Work with what you've got:

- New keywords
- New Calls-to-Action
- Merging
- De-cannibalise

UMG example





EAT compliance



The new best practice for content creation

- Author biographies
 - qualifications
 - experience
- Meet the team
- Awards, accreditations
- Facts and figures

Promoting your content

The big idea



Ask yourself: "Would I read this and share it?"

What is newsworthy within:

- Your own data
- Existing external data
- New data

Organic promotion



Try to get those big links and mentions

Working with:

- Journalists
- Bloggers
- Social influencers

Paid promotion



Can be expensive, so test it first

Use a combination of:

- Social
- Display
- Native

Measuring your content

Common KPIs



What matters to your (and to your board)?

On-site:

- Session duration
- Bounce rate
- Domain Authority

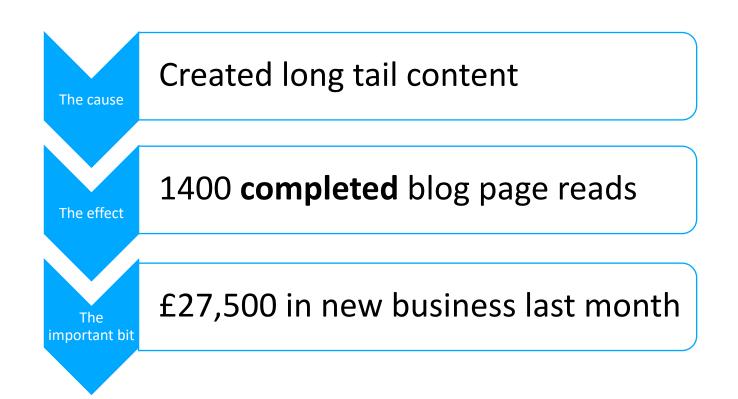
Off-site:

- Links
- Mentions
- Social audiences
- Rankings

Attribution

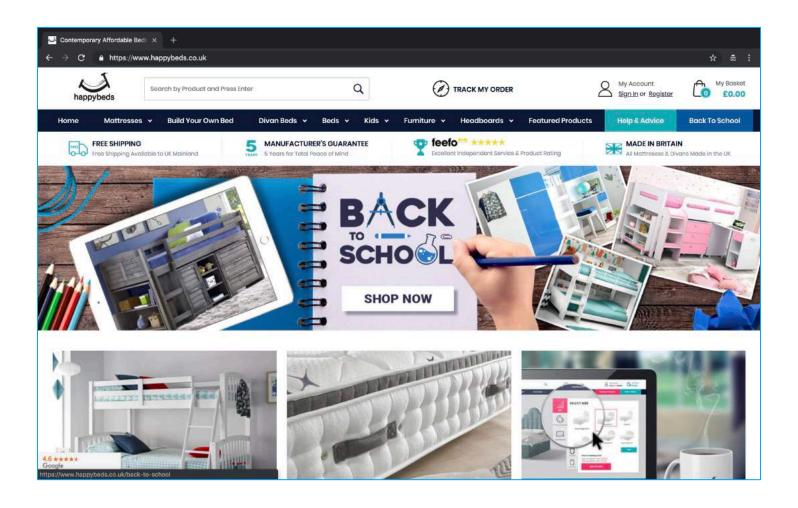


How do you prove value?



Here's how it all comes together...

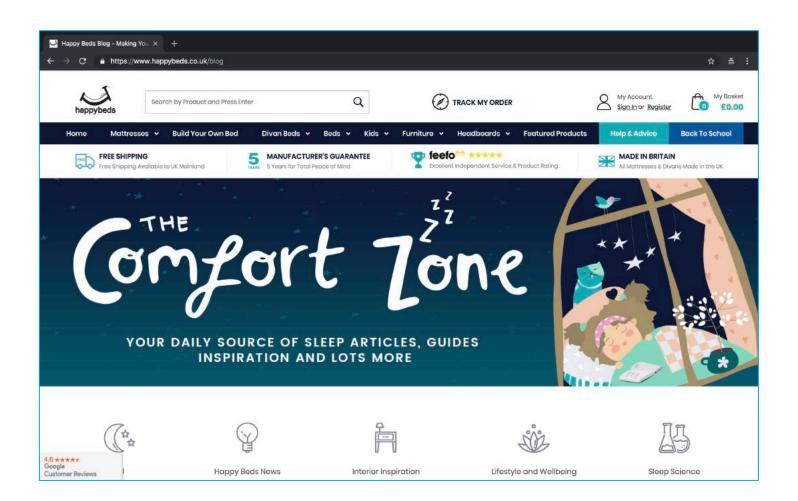
Happy Beds



Our content hub

Regular articles that:

- Mop-up long-tail keywords.
- 2. Show Happy Beds as a sleep authority.
- 3. Push users towards the goal (i.e. buying a bed).



Big content campaigns



March 2018

The Internet's Favourite Bedtime Book



April 2018

Get Comfort with an Eco Conscience



September 2018

Pregnancy: The Uncomfortable Truth



December 2018

Christmas Morning Wakeup Times

Big links

The Telegraph











Ideal Home

HouseBeautiful

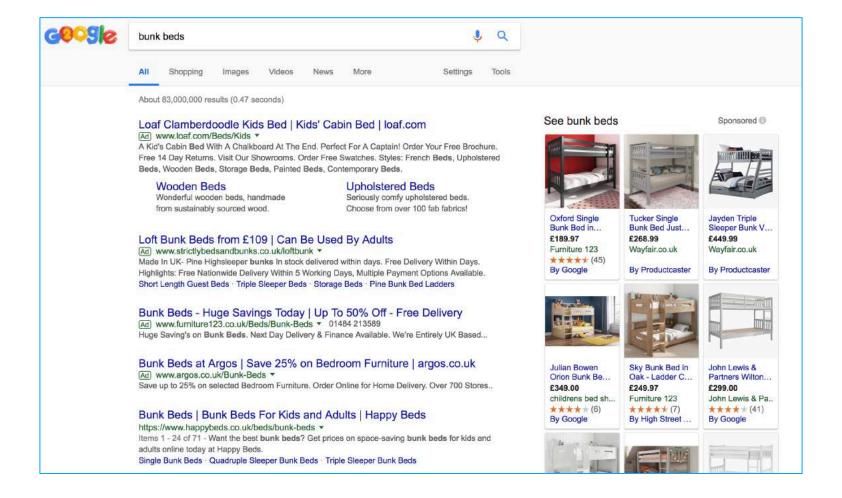
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Incredible rankings



SEO success

- Organic transactions +1092%
- Organic Revenue +1205%
- Organic ROI > 3000%
- Domain Authority 35 > 43
- Backlinks +72%
- Organic conversion rate +6.92%



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