

# UNDERSTANDING GOOGLE ADS

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# Google Ads

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# Today's workshop

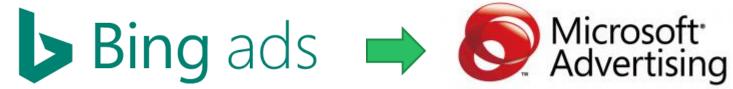
- Quick overview of Google Ads. The different types. How they work.
- Questions to ask before considering Google Ads
- 5 ways to check if a Google Ads account has issues
- Google Ads during Coronavirus















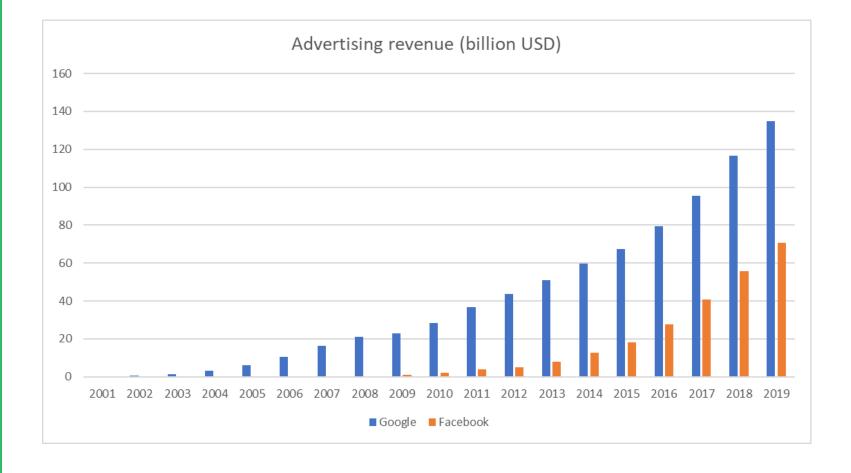








# PPC revenue

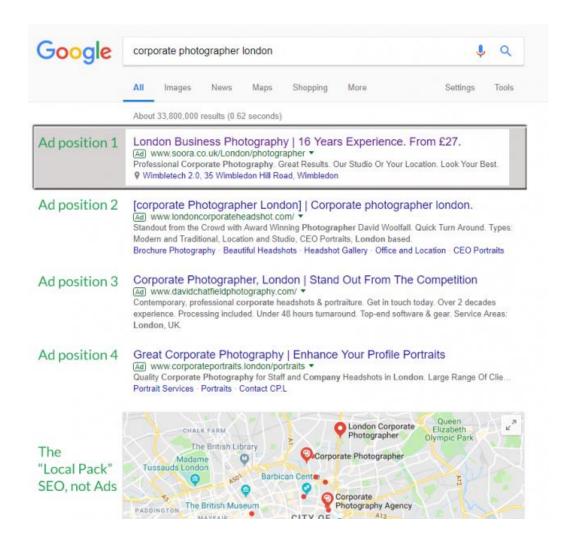


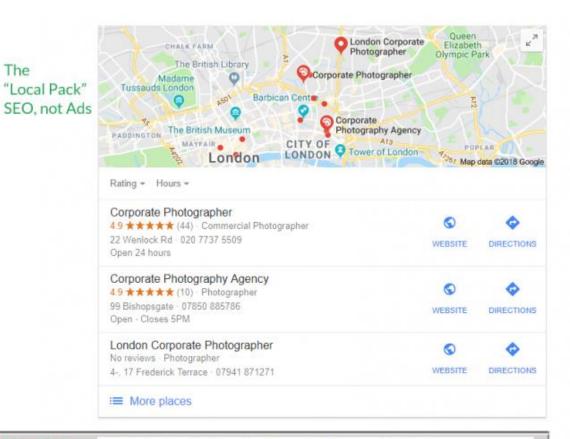


# The different types of Google Ads

### 1. Search Ads







First SEO result

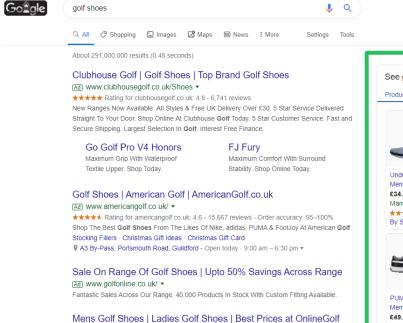
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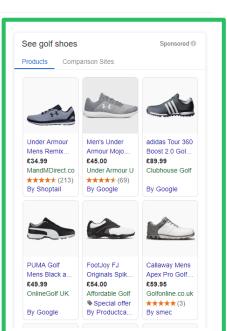
## 2. Shopping Ads

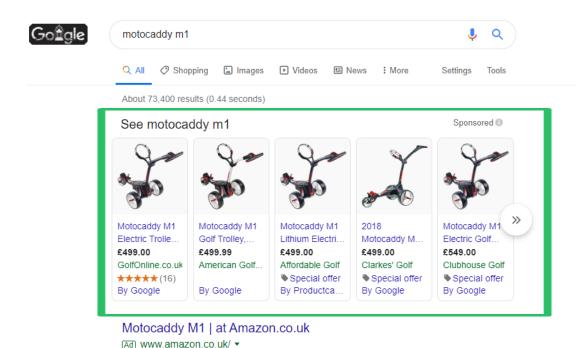




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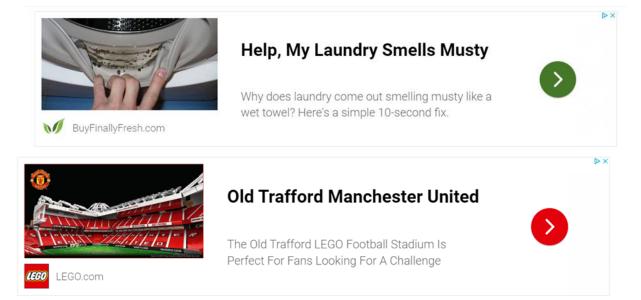


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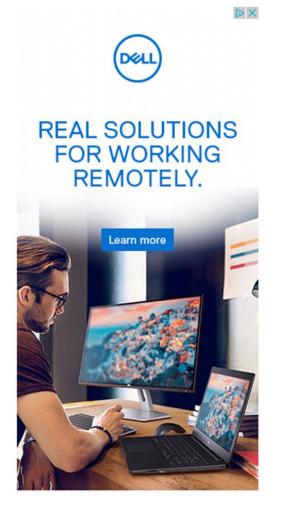
Discover best-sellers & new arrivals from top brands. Free delivery with Prime!

## 3. Display / Video Ads









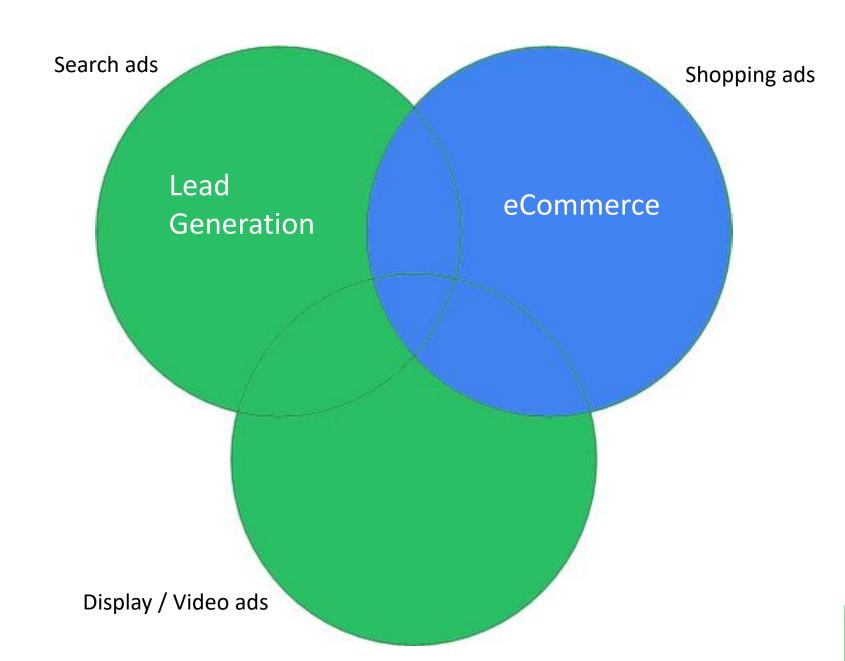






3 types of ads

2 types of advertiser





5 questions to ask before considering Google Ads



# Are you allowed to advertise?

# Are you selling a prohibited product or service?



▣	Adult content	₿	Healthcare and medicines
€	Alcohol	₽	Inappropriate content
€	Copyrights	₽	Lead form requirements
€	Counterfeit goods	₿	legal requirements
€	Dangerous products or services	₽	Misrepresentation
€	Data collection and use	₽	Other restricted businesses
€	Destination requirements	₽	Personalised advertising
€	Editorial	₽	Political content
€	Enabling dishonest behaviour	₽	Restricted ad formats and features
₽	Financial products and services	₽	Technical requirements
€	Gambling and games	₽	Trademarks



Are enough people looking for your products or services?

Does anyone know if your product or service exists?



Are you hyper-local?





How much does your product or service cost?

Buy 100 clicks at £1 each

Cost = £100 plus the cost of managing your campaign

1 in 10 people buy after visiting your website = 10 sales

You sell products for £5

Revenue =  $10 \times £5 = £50$ 

Buy 100 clicks at £1 each

Cost = £100 plus the cost of managing your campaign

1 in 10 people buy after visiting your website = 10 sales

You sell products for £100

Revenue =  $10 \times £100 = £1,000$ 



Does your website convert visitors into customers?



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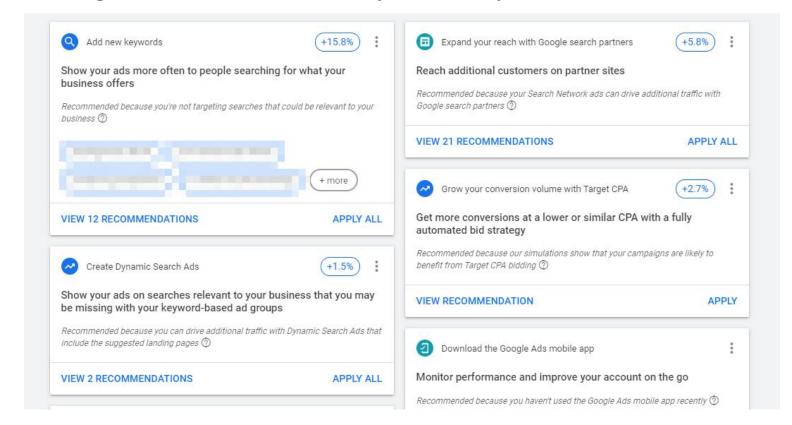
5 checks for your Google Ads account



# The one thing to remember

Google makes money from clicks.
You do not make money from clicks!

Google's recommendations may not be in your best interest





# Search terms vs. keywords

Check if you're using Broad
Match keywords

- 'Keywords' tell Google when you'd like your ads to show.
- The things people type into Google are called 'Search Queries'.
- Does Keyword = Search Query? This is the keyword match type.
- The loosest form of keyword matching is called 'Broad match'
- Google recommends you use Broad match
- If you do this, it's common to waste a high percentage of ad budget.

### Some genuine Search Queries from a London estate agency account:

Keyword	Search Queries
'Rent in Chelsea' (Broad Match)	Car rental in Chelsea Rent an Airbnb for a night near Chelsea FC Chelsea rent boys for hire Can I rent a parrot for a photoshoot in Chelsea



# Check your keyword Quality Scores

Are they below 6?

- Google wants your ads to be relevant.
- Google wants people to click your ad.
- If people don't click, Google doesn't make any money.
- Quality Score is a tool to incentivise advertisers to do a better job.
- It's an estimate of the effectiveness of your ads, keywords, and landing pages.
- Quality Scores range from 1 (bad) to 10 (great).
- Quality Scores are given at the keyword level.
- Higher Quality Scores can lead to significantly lower cost per click and better ad positions.



How are your campaigns structured?

A small number of campaigns is potentially an issue

Keywords vary hugely in value



- If all your keywords are in a single campaign, it's impossible to differentiate
- All keywords in a campaign compete for the same budget
- Many settings are determined at the campaign level
- Your Google account needs to be structured to reflect conversion value



# What is being counted as a conversion?

- Conversion any action that you've decided is valuable for your business.
- A £500 sale is more valuable than a newsletter sign up.
- Many Google Ads reports are unhelpful in explaining which conversions you've paid for.

### OVERALL PERFORMANCE

	Jan 1, 2017 - Dec 21, 2017	Jan 12, 2016 - Dec 31, 2016	
Impressions	2,340,332	459,023	+409.9%
CTR	2.91%	6.58%	-55.8%
Clicks	68,064	30,200	+125.4%
Cost	€ 17,546.45	€9,685.23	+81.2%
Avg. CPC	€0.26	€0.32	-19.6%
Conv. rate	0.45%	0.44%	+2.8%
Conv.	308	133	+131.6%



# What's your Return on Ad Spend (ROAS)?

Don't optimise for cost per click, or click through rate. Optimise for ROAS.

### Return on Ad Spend (ROAS) = Revenue / Ad Spend = Conv. Value / cost

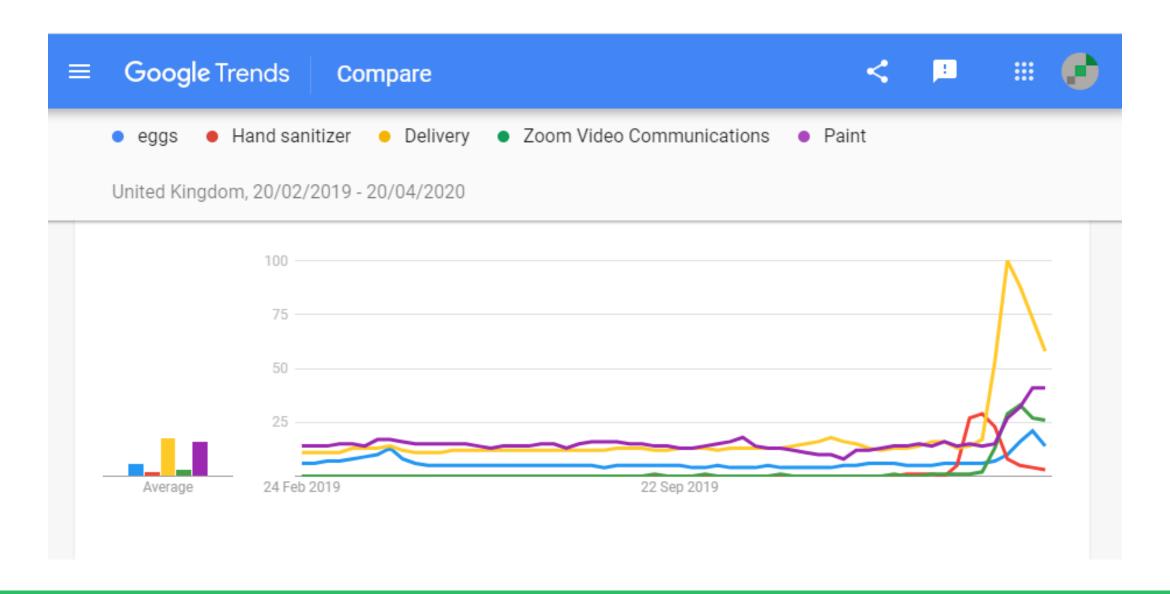
- Google Ads work on an auction model.
- A keyword that is valuable to you will be valuable to your competitors.
- High value keyword = Higher Cost Per Click
- But it doesn't matter what the Cost Per Click is.
- It matters if you're making money.

	Cost	Avg. CPC	CTR	Conv. value	Conv. value / cost
Keyword 1	£43.45	£0.06	56.73%	3,593.95	82.71
Keyword 2	£21.80	£0.04	66.59%	3,092.10	141.84
Keyword 3	£51.05	£0.35	9.07%	3,950.00	77.38
Keyword 4	£36.77	£0.36	11.44%	1,114.00	30.30
Keyword 5	£32.74	£0.36	6.68%	969.00	29.60
Keyword 6	£21.31	£0.55	7.98%	739.00	34.68



# Google Ads during Coronavirus







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- Unprecedented changes to supply and demand
- Big opportunities new markets, potential to pivot businesses
  - Amazon and eBay dropping out of auctions
  - Lower levels of competition, cheaper clicks

- Remember Google's interests are not the same as yours
- Google needs to minimise loss of revenue
- Campaigns need active management



# Thank you

Already running Google Ads?

Get in touch for a free account audit

Thinking of running Google Ads?

Book a free 15 minute Zoom call

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Why do you want to use Google Ads?
To sell products in your Online store? You need Shopping Ads.
To generate leads for your business? You need Search Ads.
What might someone type into Google to find you?
1.
2
3.
Type your first keyword into Google (you might want to use another device—e.g. your phone)
How many ads are showing at the top of the page?
How many ads are showing at the bottom of the page?
How are the ads written? Are they relevant to your business?
Are your competitors advertising?
Which organic results are showing?
Is a Local Pack showing?
Who is appearing in the top organic result?
Are you listed in the local pack or organic results?
Do the ads match the organic results?
Evaluate a landing page by clicking on an ad
Can you see the keyword you typed into Google 'above the fold'?
Does the page give you the information you need? Does it answer any concerns or objections?
Are the next steps clear? Is it easy to 'convert'?





#### When should I use Google Ads?

Google Ads are a great way to get **your best offer** in front of **your ideal audience** at the exact time when they're **actively looking for your products or services**.

#### How much do Google Ads cost?

You need to pay: 1) The cost of clicks (to Google) and 2) The cost of managing your account.

The cost per click depends on many factors, including the type of ads you are running, the number of advertisers who also want to reach the same audience as you and the likely return from running ads. Clicks can be as cheap as 2p and as expensive as £50 or more.

If you want a third party to manage your account, fees range from as little as £100 per month to thousands, depending on the agency you choose and the size of your account. We offer hands-on management to ensure you get the results you need, with fees starting from £350+VAT per month.

#### Can I manage my own Google Ads account?

Absolutely, it is possible to set up a simple account if you are prepared to spend time learning. You can find 35 hours of free basic Google Ads training at <a href="https://skillshop.withgoogle.com/">https://skillshop.withgoogle.com/</a>.

The Google platform changes several times monthly, so it's also worth signing up to updates from Google. Bear in mind that not all of Google's innovations are in the interests of advertisers.

You may save money in the long term by paying an agency, as your account is likely to be set up more effectively, ensuring you get cheaper clicks. This is important if the cost-per-click in your industry is high.

### Should I get Google to set up my ad campaign?

You can set up a very basic campaign for free, by calling Google and speaking to one of their overseas members of staff. We audit a lot of accounts and unfortunately, those set up by Google are some of the least efficient we see. Your campaigns need to support your marketing strategy, and it's difficult for a call centre agent to understand the needs of your business. Your campaign will also be set up with Google's default settings, which tend to favour Google, not you.

### I'm already running Google Ads—how do I know if my campaign is set up effectively?

As you've been to one of our webinars, ask us for a free Account Audit. We'll talk you through how your account is performing on a Zoom screenshare, so you can see exactly what is going on.

If you'd like to check your own ads, make sure you look at your Search terms (see <a href="https://ethosmetrics.com/articles/should-you-use-broad-match-keywords/">https://ethosmetrics.com/articles/should-you-use-broad-match-keywords/</a>), your keyword Quality Scores (see <a href="https://support.google.com/google-ads/answer/2454010?hl=en-GB">https://support.google.com/google-ads/answer/2454010?hl=en-GB</a>) and the cost of each 'Conversion' you receive (Examples of Conversions are online sales, phone calls, form completions, emails).

### Where can I learn more about how Google Ads work?

We've made some videos on the Women On The Web platform, which is currently free for new members. These cover the different types of Google Ads; how to decide if Google Ads are right for your business; understanding your Google Ads report and how to navigate your Google Ads account. You can find these at https://womenontheweb.co.uk/video\_category/google-ads/.

Or feel free to get in touch and we'll be happy to answer any questions that you have.