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Top 10 Search Marketing Research Results

Research drawn from Search Engine Benchmark Guide 2005 – 2006

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Research drawn from: marketing sherpa

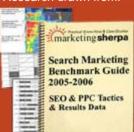
Facts not Opinion: MarketingSherpa Methodology

- ✓ Primary Research from MarketingSherpa
 - Survey of 3,271 SEM marketers and agencies.
 - Survey of 776 affiliate marketers and merchants.
 - 7 eyetracking tests of major search engines and shopping comparison sites.
- ✓ Exclusive Data
 - Unique data produced for the Guide from 16 research sources, including Nielsen/Netratings, Hitwise and comScore.
- ✓ 'Best of' Secondary Research
 - Data and analysis from 49 studies, surveys & research projects from research organizations and search marketing experts.

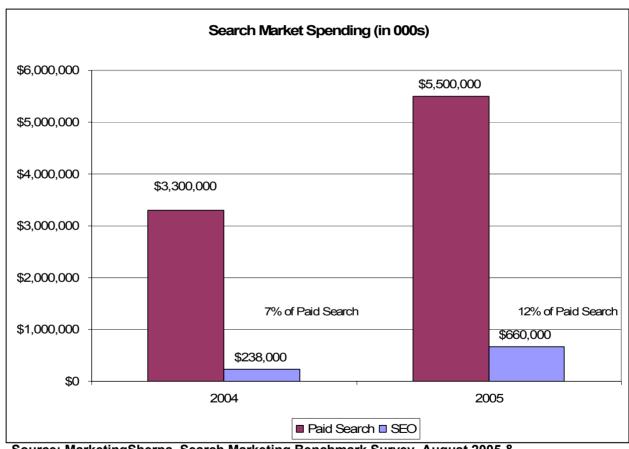


SEO spending grew by more than 277%.

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marketingsherpa #1 The U.S. Search Market

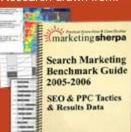


Source: MarketingSherpa, Search Marketing Benchmark Survey, August 2005 & Merrill Lynch, Internet Advertising Report, June 2005

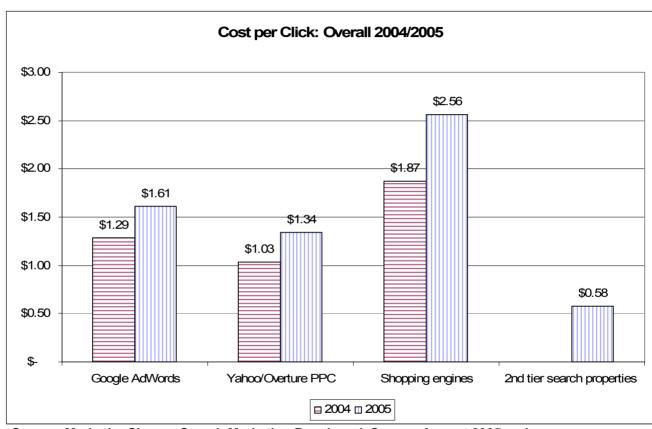


Growth in Shopping engine CPC outpaces growth in usage.

Research drawn from:



marketingsherpa # 2 Cost per Click - 2004/2005



Source: MarketingSherpa, Search Marketing Benchmark Survey, August 2005 and MarketingSherpa, Search Marketing Metrics Survey, June 2004

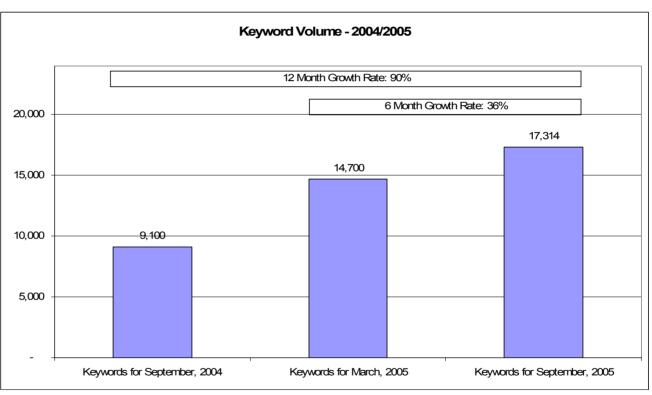


Keyword volume growth slowing, but holidays will tell for sure.

Research drawn from:



#3 Keyword Buying - Growth 2004/2005



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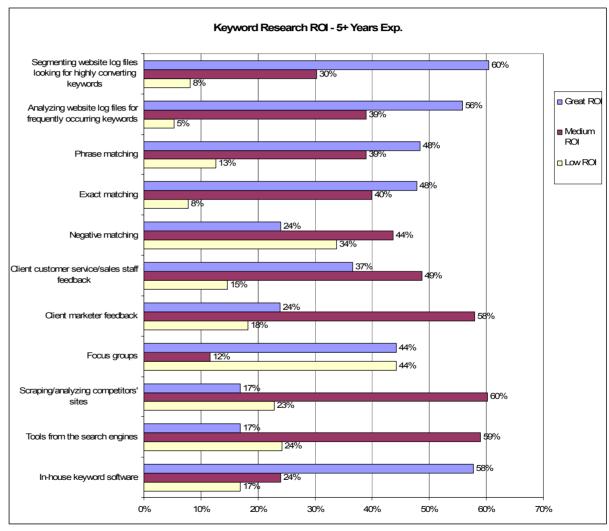


Marketer feedback isn't the best route to identifying keywords.

Research drawn from:



#4 Keyword Research – Tactical ROI



Source: MarketingSherpa, Search Marketing Benchmark Survey, August 2005



Proof of the importance of rank, and the uniqueness of search engines.

Research drawn from:



#5 Eyetracking - How we view search



Source: MarketingSherpa & Eyetools Inc Lab Study August 2005

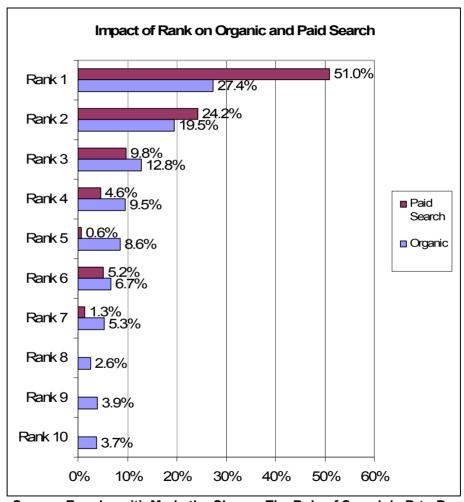


You knew rank was important - but especially so in paid ads.

Research drawn from:



#6 B-to-B Search - Impact of Rank



Source: Enquiro with MarketingSherpa, The Role of Search in B-to-B Buying Decisions, October 2004

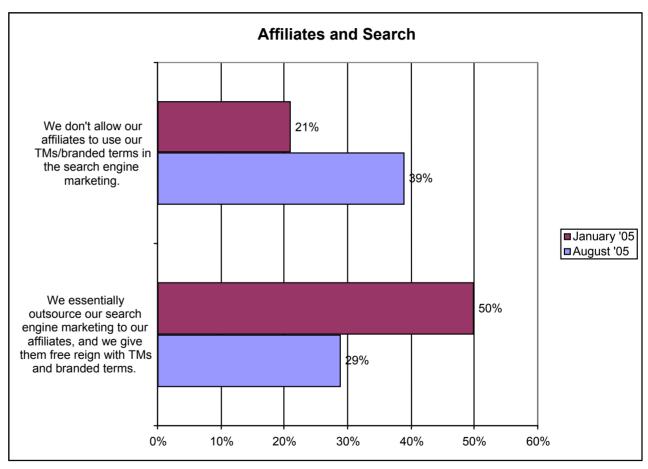


Views on how affiliates use TMs are changing fast.

Research drawn from:



#7 Affiliates & Search - Trademarks, etc.



Source: MarketingSherpa Affiliate and Merchant Survey, August 2005

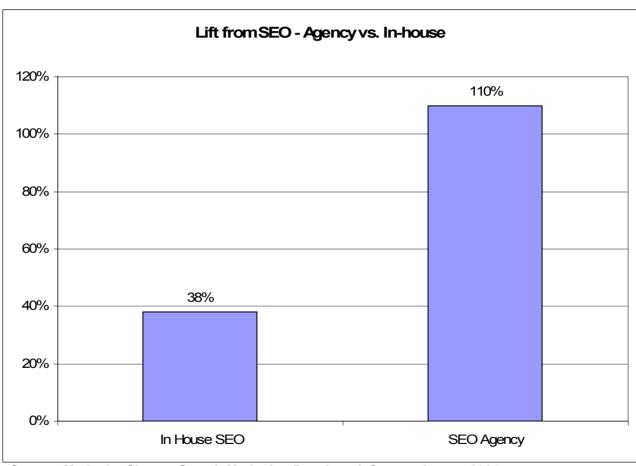


34% of SEM marketers use an agency for SEO.

Research drawn from:



#8 The Impact of SEO – Six Months On



Source: MarketingSherpa, Search Marketing Benchmark Survey, August 2005

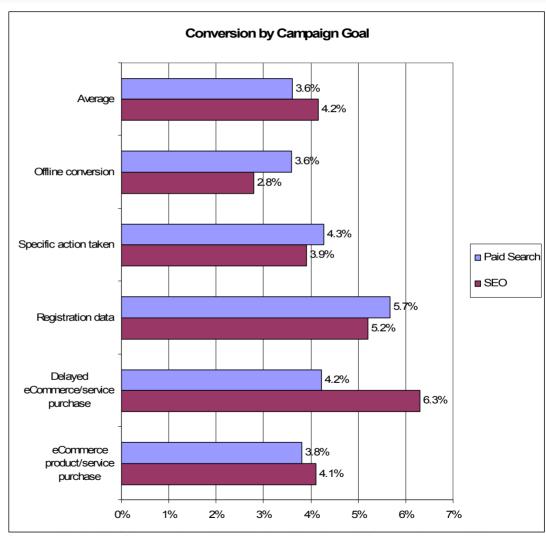


SEO is a huge driver of 'latent' conversions.

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marketingsherpa #9 PPC/ SEO Conversion Rates

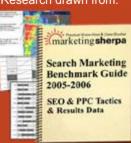


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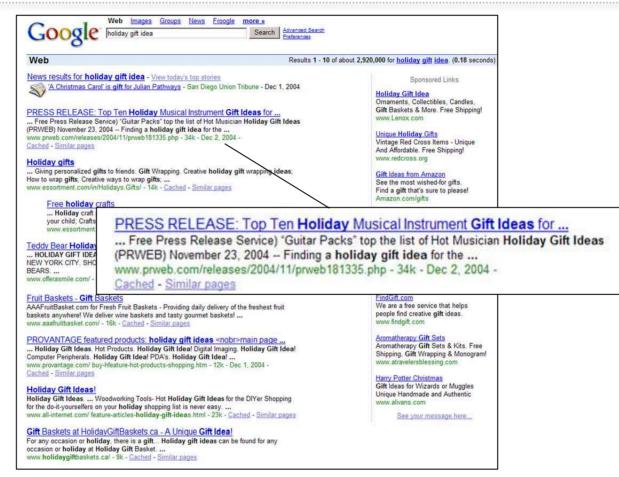


Press releases are for customers, not journalists.

Research drawn from:



#10 SEO and Public Relations



Source: Shawn Collins Consulting, December 2004



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