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For years, it has been rather difficult to project, with any degree of confidence, the potential value of front page Google listings.

That is until our buddies at AOL allowed some critical information to leak out to the public about search queries back in 2006.

The REAL Value of AOL's Leaked Data

Remember, back in 2006, AOL had an agreement with Google to supply search results for their AOL subscribers and user base.

With Google being the most widely used search engine on the planet, AOL's leaked information paves the way to uncover some fascinating numbers and improve your budgeting process from an Internet marketing perspective.

While the data may not be 100% perfect across the board, it does give us a way to reasonably project potential traffic, revenue, profit, and pay-per-click (PPC) budgets.

Who Clicks What During an Online Search Query?

If you look at the number of total search queries and contrast that with the number of clicks, you'll notice that a little over half (54.505%) of searches actually receive clicks.

Analyzing the data a bit further, you'll discover the following click through rates for front page organic Google placement:

1—22.965%

2—6.484%

3—4.632%

4—3.303%

5—2.679%

6—2.208%

7—1.860%

8—1.643%

9—1.553%

10—1.632%

Not All Search Queries Result in Clicks

Keep in mind that the click through rates outlined above are clicks to total number of searches ratios.

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Several articles, reports, and documents out there project the click through rates much higher because they don't factor in the nearly 46% of search queries that don't get clicked.

Why So Many Non-Clicks?

There are several reasons someone may not click on a search result when they perform an online query because they:

- 1) Elect to type in the URL directly and navigate to the site.
- 2) Choose to type in the URL of a PPC ad directly to navigate to that site.
- 3) Are merely doing research of the top results for a particular phrase.
- 4) Were not satisfied with the results so another search query was ordered up.
- 5) Chose to do something else.

Something You Already Knew: You Need to Be on Google's First Page

Taking the data a step further, 89.82% click on a result on the first page, and only 10.18 click on a result on the second page or beyond which means you need to be on page one if you want to achieve success with your search engine marketing campaign.

While the leaked AOL data isn't perfect or foolproof, it does give us business owners and marketing executives an opportunity to budget and analyze online marketing campaigns unlike anything before.

Conduct Your Own Online Marketing & SEO Exercise

While I admittedly know very little about your Cincinnati plumbing company, you can take the information from the video and plug in your own numbers to arrive at the ROI and value of SEO for your business by going through this exercise with me.

Likely Front Page Google Web Traffic for Cincinnati Plumbers

Start off with the amount of traffic likely generated from a front page organic Google listing.

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Cincinnati plumbers

Traffic Estimates

Monthly: 1,300

Position	Organic	PPC
1	299	45
2	84	35
3	60	30
4	43	26
5	35	24
6	29	23
7	24	18
8	21	15
9	20	12
10	21	12

Source: AOL leaked data, SMB Consulting Analysis

So which Google placement did you select?

Suggestion: start off with a lower position first while my team and I work you up to the top.

[A] Enter the estimated traffic associated with that position here: _____

Website Conversion Metrics

First, consider the typical conversion rate for your website now. How many visitors typically convert into paying customers?

[B] Enter your current conversion rate here: _____

In the video, I assumed 10% (every 1/10), but you should know your own metrics far better than me. If you don't know your specific metrics off-hand, just use 10% for the sake of completing the exercise.

[C] Now calculate how many estimated new customers you could have each month with a front page Google listing [A x B] _____

Cincinnati Plumber -- New Client Value

Next you'll want to multiply your average value per new client with the number you just calculated (new clients generated by website traffic).

In the video, I used \$250/run as the typical revenue. Your company may generate far more or less. If you aren't sure of your average ticket price per run, use \$250 for the sake of completing the exercise.

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I admittedly tried to go low on purpose. If you can see the benefit of SEO even with the lowest possible conversion rates and per client revenue, the picture should be much brighter for your practice than my low end example.

Besides, you should know what you are getting out of each deal better than me so use that number to calculate how much revenue would be coming in thanks to a front page Google listing.

[D] Enter your average customer ticket revenue per deal here: \$ _____

New Monthly Revenue Estimates

[E] Now multiply the values in [C] x [D] = \$ _____

What you see in [E] is the new client revenue per month you could generate with a front page Google listing for your chosen keyword phrase.

PPC Traffic Costs

The picture isn't quite complete yet. You owe it to yourself to calculate how much the same traffic generated by an organic front page listing would cost you with a pay-per-click (PPC) ad.

Keywords	Estimated Avg. CPC	Advertiser Competition	Local Search Volume: February	Global Monthly Search Volume
Keywords related to term(s) entered - sorted by relevance				
cincinnati plumbers	\$3.23	<input type="checkbox"/>	1,300	1,600
cincinnati plumber	\$4.14	<input type="checkbox"/>	880	1,000

This is very easy.

Simply take the value you entered into [A] and multiply it by \$3.23 for "Cincinnati plumbers."

This value is the [F] Cost of Equivalent Traffic: \$ _____

What's the Verdict?

As you just proved to yourself in this brief exercise, SEO for Cincinnati plumbers can **make you money** (see value in E), **save you money** (see value in F) and **minimize risk from "click fraud."** Click fraud is where someone bogusly clicks on your paid ad repeatedly to drain your budget so that the ad doesn't appear.

What values did you come up with? Ready to start making those values a reality?

You know what to do next ... head on over to the [SEO Services page and select a package right for your practice now.](http://seNinja.com/services)

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About the Search Engine Ninja

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In 2008, Roger created the "[Search Engine Ninja](#)" training program to provide small business owners, high performing sales representatives, and independent contractors with the skills necessary to accelerate their websites' positioning within the major search engines such as Google.

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