SOCIAL MEDIA for Small Business Owners

YES, it is important YES, it can bring you new leads & sales YES, you need to use it regularly NO, you don't have to be on every platform





Top Social Media Platforms

- Facebook 3 Billion Users
- YouTube 2.7 Billion Users
- Instagram 2.4 Billion Users
- LinkedIn 1 Billion Users

Other top condeners:

- X (formerly Twitter) 619 Million Users
- Pinterest 482 Million Users

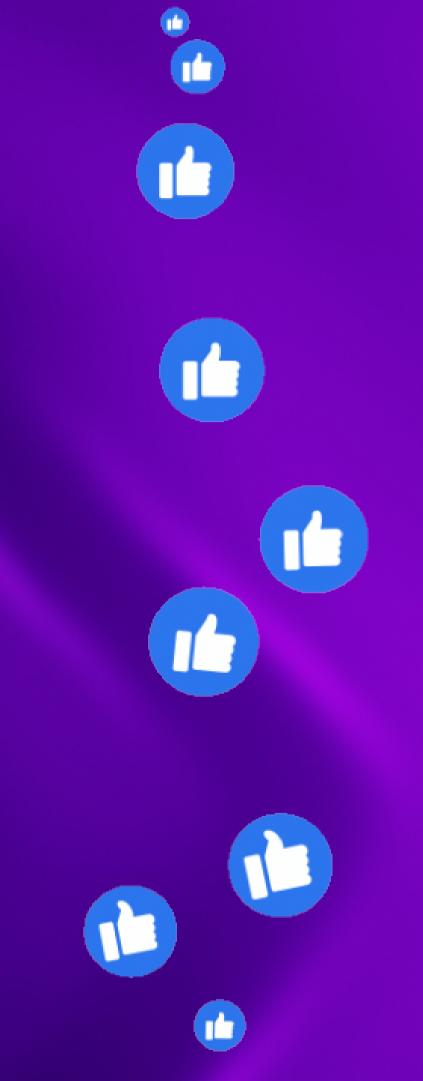




FACEBOOK

• Facebook is the most-used platform by marketers worldwide (89%).

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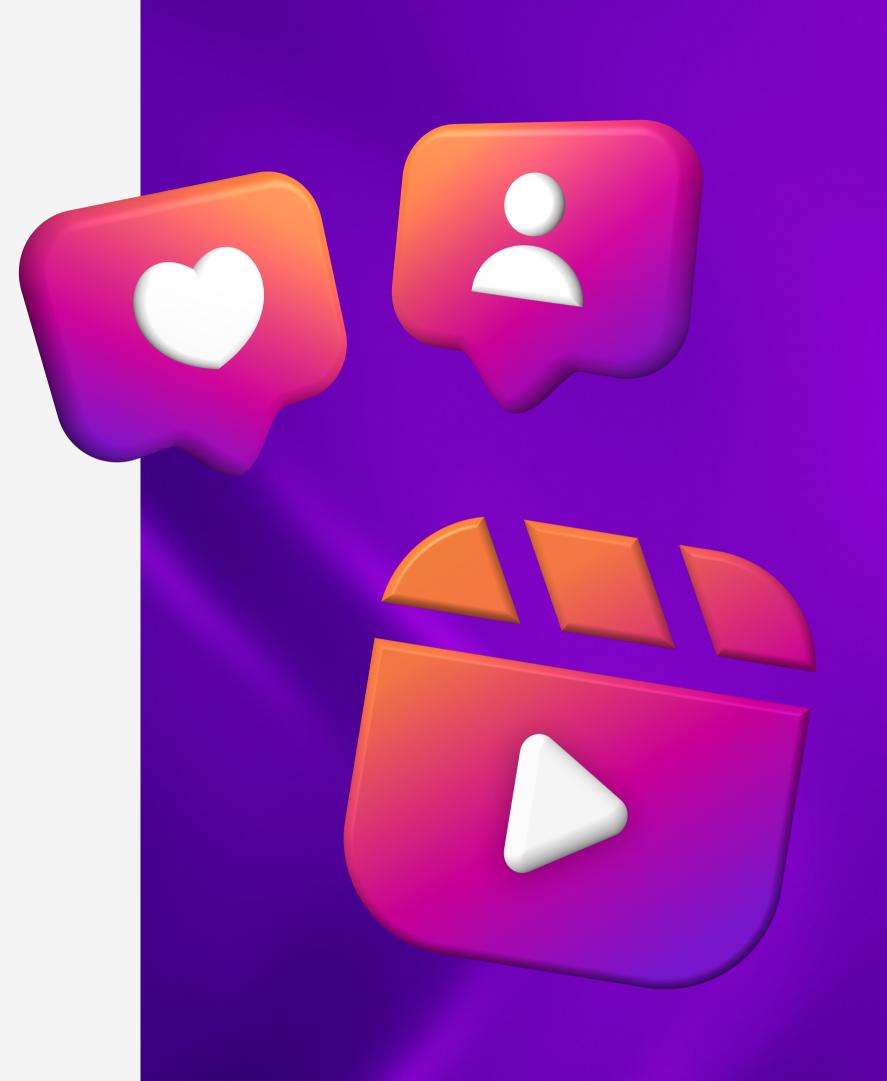
- As of Q3 2023, Facebook is the largest online social network in the world with roughly 3.05 billion monthly active users.
- 56.3% of Facebook users are male and 43.7% are female (based on available gender data).
- Almost a quarter of Facebook users in the US are between the ages 25-34.

INSTAGRAM

- Instagram the second most-used platform by marketers (80%).
- Instagram does tie with Facebook for the social media platform with the highest ROI. Both coming in at 29%.
- 27.4% of US Instagram users are between 25 and 34 years old.
- Instagram's engagement rate is 4x higher than Facebook.

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UNKEDIN

- The go-to platform for B2B brands
- 60% of worldwide users are between ages 25 and 34 years old
- The United States has the highest user rate in the world on LinkedIn with an audience reach of over 214 million users

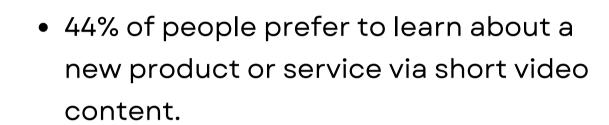
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YOUTUBE

- The go-to video-sharing and video-consumption platform.
- 90% of all visits to YouTube come from a mobile device.



• The largest demographic on Youtube is 25-34 year olds.

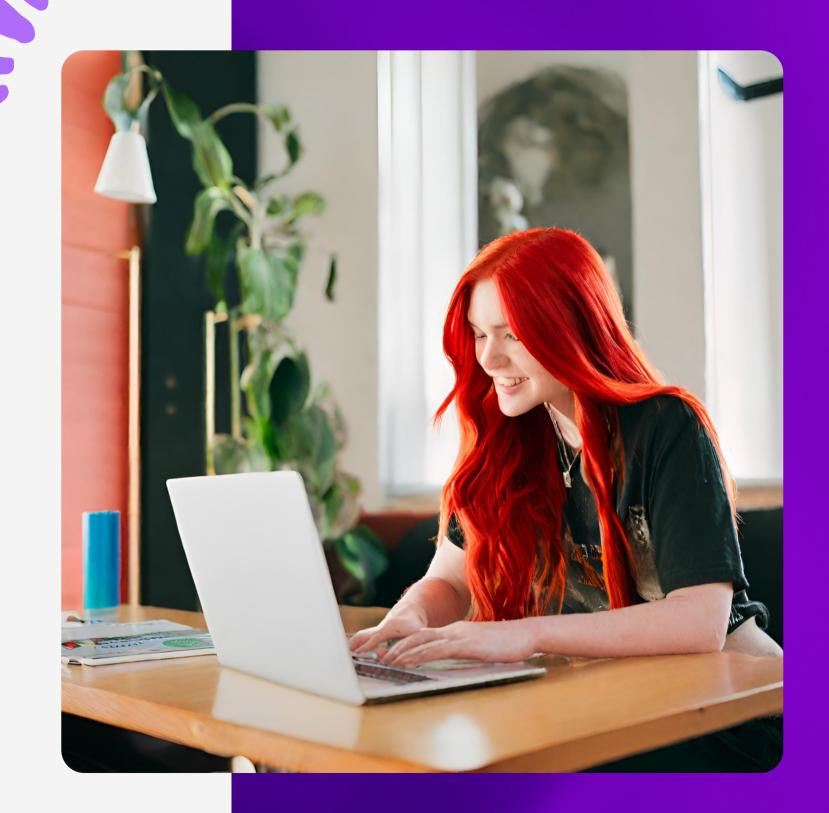
• YouTube is the #1 platform for viewing LIVE videos.



CREATING CONTENT

- Take advantage of programs like Canva.
- It's okay to use AI to help you create content.
- Repurposing content across platforms is okay, but being lazy and just sharing it direct with watermarks and no reformatting is NOT okay.
- When posting video, always include captions.
 92% of people watch videos without the sound.
- You DO have to post consistently. Start with twice a week and go from there.
- Remember to offer a variety of content, including educational, tips, behind-the-scenes, inspirational, funny or fun, and freebies in addition to your sales posts.
- Explore and try out new trends, like cinemagraphs!





HOW MANY PLATFORMS?

- You do NOT need to be on all the platforms. Stick with where you're comfortable AND where your audience is.
- If you're only on two platforms, that's perfectly fine and it will yield great results when done properly.





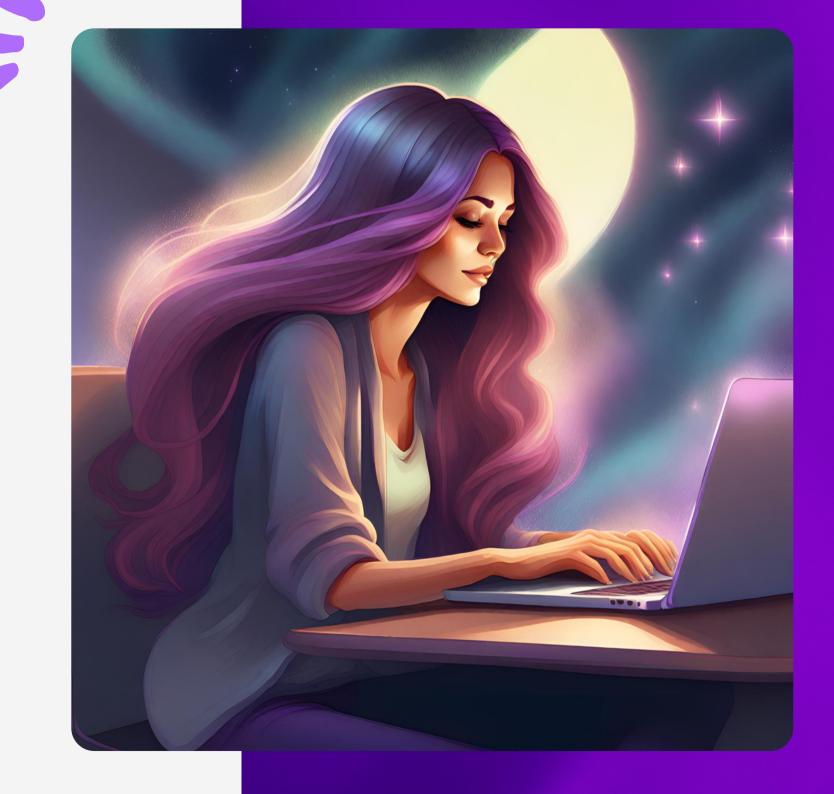
SOCIAL MEDIA ALONE IS NOT ENOUGH

Once you have people interested, you should be funneling them to your website and email list. You need a way to capture their information so that you can stay in touch with them on your terms (2 social media outages in the last 2 years and Twitter is now X. Social Media is not guaranteed).



WEBSITES

- Yes, you should have one!
- It should be regularly updated and maintained.
- Your website should be mobile-friendly!
- It should have CTA's to help you get the results you're going for (sales, email captures, downloads, etc.)
- Investing in SEO isn't necessary, but it will DEFINITELY help.
- Cost varies from about \$500 up to many thousands of dollars to have a website built (if it's a large eCommerce site), but most are around \$1,000 on average for a very basic site.



SHORT AND SWEET

If you want to regularly gain new leads

- Post to social media regularly, whether or not you are also using paid ads.
- Make sure your social media is drawing people to your website where you can collect their email or other information.
- Your website must have CTAs to help your visitors complete the actions you want them to complete.
- Make sure you maintain and update your website regularly.



