



The Power of the Inbox

Tips and Tricks for Successful Email Marketing







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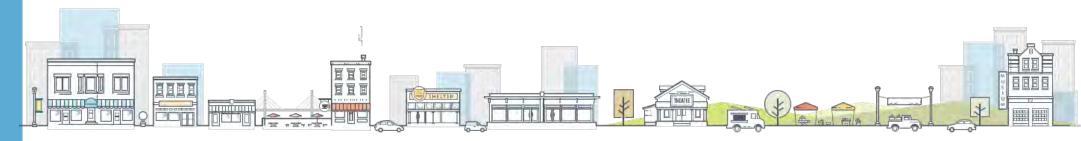
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What is email marketing?











Delivering **professional** email communications to an **interested** audience containing information the recipient finds **valuable** that **looks great** in any inbox!







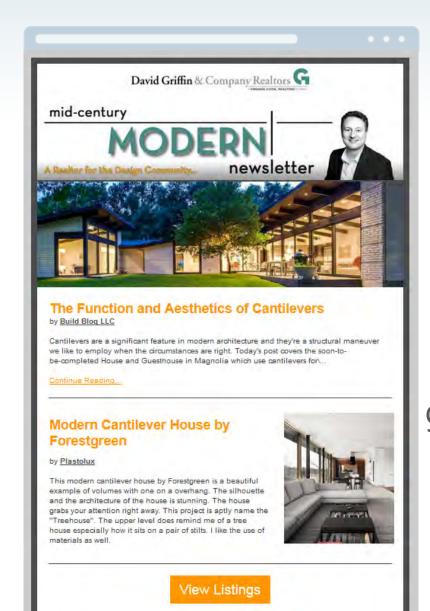
What can it do for *your* business? Drive revenue and profit.

"Every time I send out an email, I get a sale in 15 minutes. Overall, I get up to four times as many sales with these newsletters than I did with my old ones, and they've gone from about \$50 per order to \$100."

- Irene Schmoller, founder Cotton Clouds







David Griffin & Company Realtors

What can it do for *your* business? Create and increase awareness.

"The emails are an important reinforcement of brand. I get calls from people I've never met all the time. They get the newsletter, or a friend of theirs gets the newsletter, and they know I'm the person to call. It really helps establish credibility upfront."

- Brandon Stewart, realtor at <u>David Griffin & Company Realtors</u>







What can it do for *your* business? Boost repeat business.

"It has definitely been the easiest way to reach people. If we have a slower day and know that we want to reach local people, we can create a quick email and will get at least a few calls right away."

- Christine Copertino, spa director for Allegria Spa





You need to harness the **power of the inbox**. Are you ready?





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Q: What is the #1 app on smartphones?

A: Email

More than half of all emails are opened on a mobile device

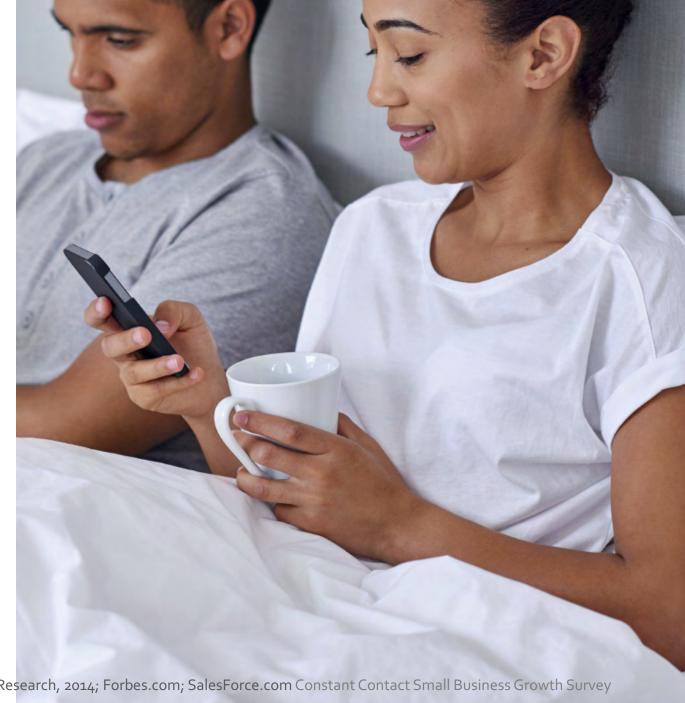
More people own a cell phone than own a toothbrush!



People read it

91% of people check their email daily

88% regularly check email on their smartphones



It's reliable

Email gets delivered 90+% of the time

(Facebook posts reach just 2% of fans)





Why Email? Because it works everywhere.





Email marketing has 3x the conversion rate as social media

For every \$1 spent on email marketing, there is a \$44.25 average ROI





First impressions matter.

Should your first impression be...

...this or this?

Stay cool when it's hot!

Southside Cycling <southside@southside.com>

to Black, Robert, Black, S., Braun, Adelle, Braxton, Carson, Thomas, Sherry, Cassey, Spenser, Chives, Daniel, Duggar, Rich, Downs, Tammy, Dale, Mickey, Dickens, Klyle, Flinnagan, Carry, Finestoin, B.; Fish, Alex, Felder, M.; Grace, Kiley, Heldman, Samantha, Isaacson, Fional, Jackson, Cheryt, Jackson, Bob. Jones, Robert, Johnson, Bentkale, Gretchen, Lindstrom, Dawd, Lowes, Dawd, Miles, Jackson, Minestrone, Cinicory, Manohistis, Rebecca et al.

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To: Black, Robert; Black, S.; Braun, Adelle; Braxton, Carson, Thomas; Sherry; Cassey, Spenser; Chives, Daniel; Subject: Stay cool when it's hot!

Let us help you have the perfect cycling summer! Visit our shop for the latest trends on gear for the season...

Hil Tanya,

Have you checked us out lately?

Our bike shop has all the latest the Summer season trends at discounted prices and we're looking to keep you "cool" in the heat! We appreciate your business and if you haven't stopped in recently, bike on over and you will find all the latest gear for your cycling needs. We want to be your partner on the road, Check out our new latest and greatest in helmets, shoes, glasses, gloves and other sports wear in addition, we have some upcoming workshops that may interest you.

Our very own Brody will be instructing those of you who would like to learn the art of bike repair and tuneup, for a hands-on workshop this month. You will learn how to clean and restore older models for reuse and he will also educate you on what to look for when shopping for a new one. (Workshops start June 21 and run for 3 weeks, from 7.00 pm. 9.30 pm. Please visit our website at www.southsidecycling.com to sign up! Bring a finend and receive a 15% discount on your next in-shop purchase!

Don't forget about our event at the end of the month! We put our best foot forward when we pedal for charity! Donations are accepted and you don't have to be a professional to participate. Be sure to wist our shop to gear up for that Summer trek to stay comfortable while you help to make someone else's life a little easier. Sign up now for this wonderful event on our website. Families are welcomed.

Thank you for your continued customer loyalty and please stop in the shop and say helio to Brody and myself! We look forward to seeing you!

Stay cool

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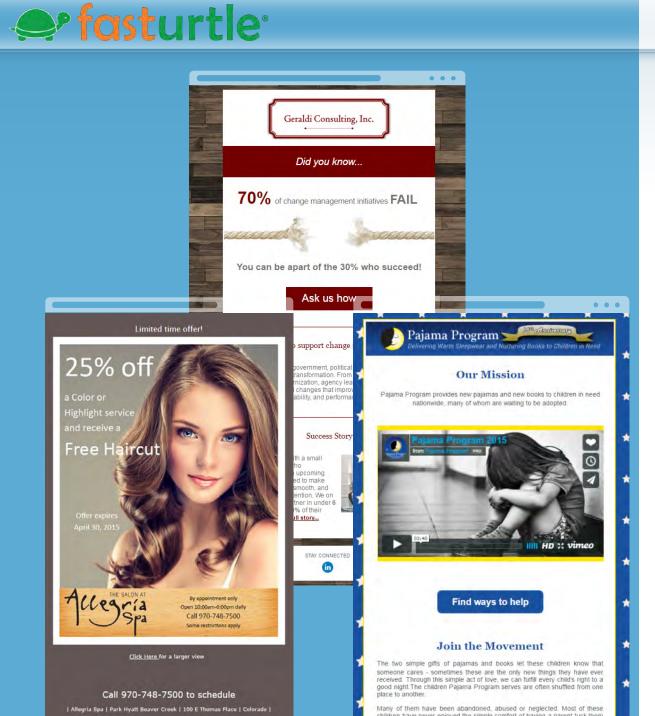
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Why regular email *doesn't* work

- Limited sending
- No formatting control
- Susceptible to filters
- No cohesive branding
- Potential SPAM complaints
- No tracking or reporting





Email marketing best practices that make you look great!

Constant Contact will automatically:

- Provide beautiful templates
- Reinforce brand identity
- Manage subscriptions
- Ensure email delivery
- Track results
- Obey the law



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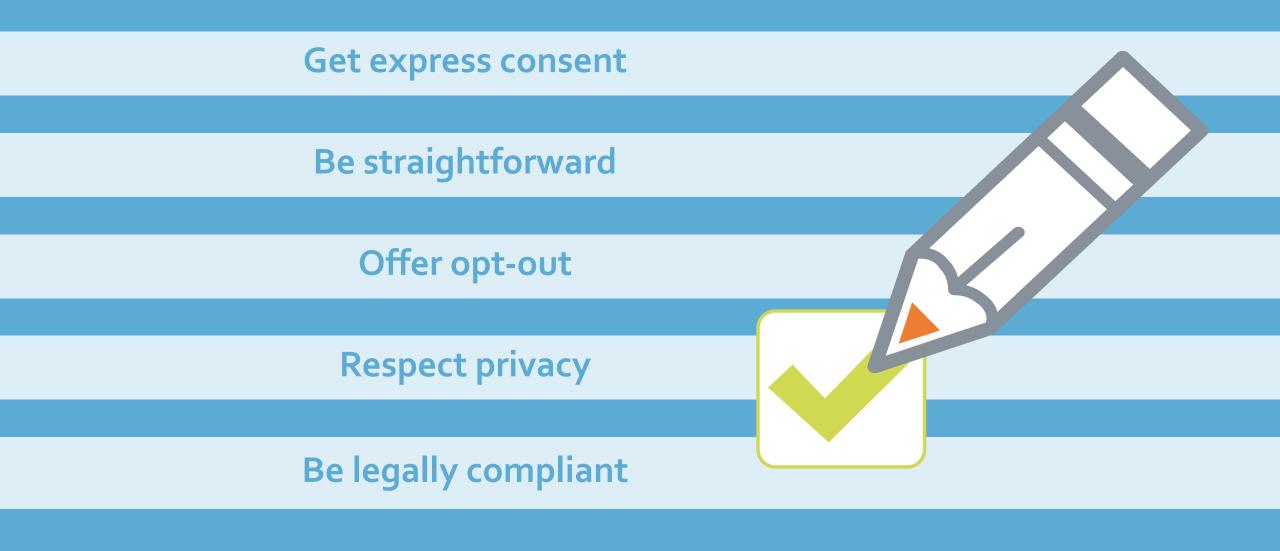




Growing your list is all about how and where you ask.

And yes, you have to.

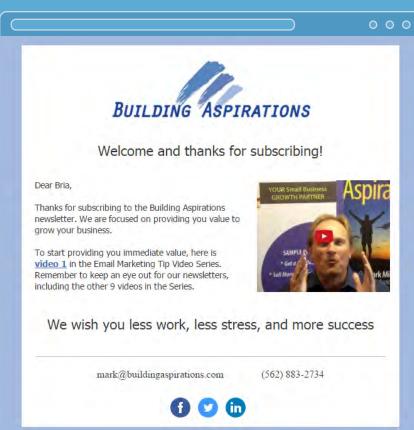
How to Ask: The importance of permission



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Where to Ask: Everywhere you're online





Where to Ask: Everywhere else!



Events

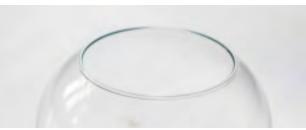
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QR codes

Fishbowl





Sidewalk signs

But really, just ask.



Tip: Use Text-to-Join to collect contacts







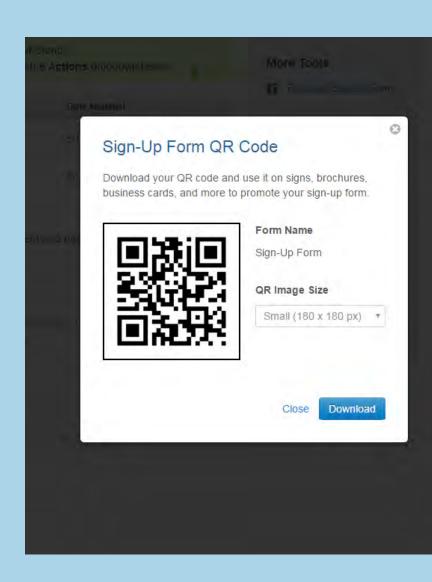


Tip: Use QR codes to collect contacts





4....







Don't forget - give them a reason to join your list and let them know when to expect it.

Ongoing education

VIP preference

Insider news

E-book, whitepaper

Updates

Discounts

The **#1 reason for an unsubscribe** is irrelevant content.

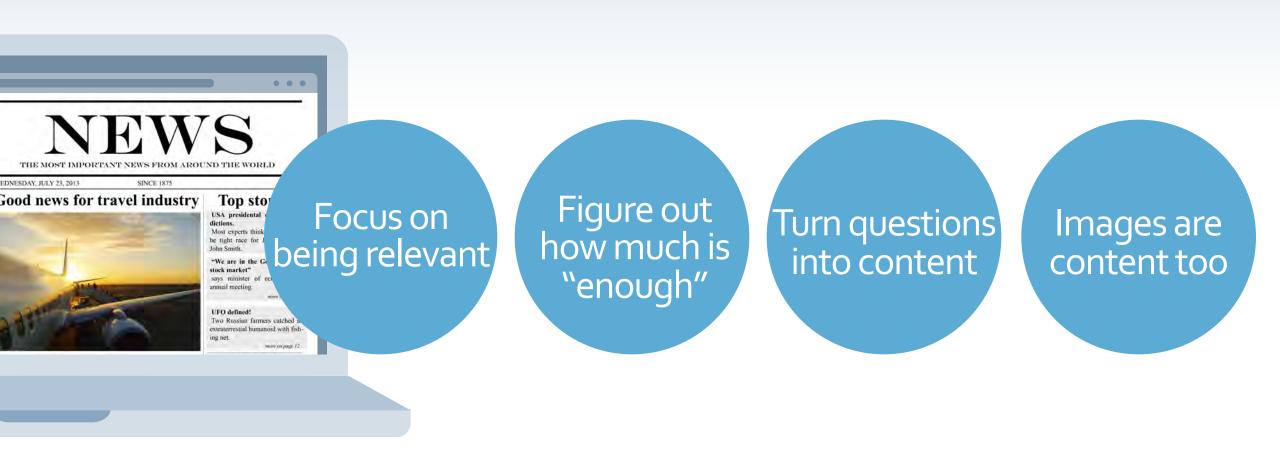


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Put your readers interests ahead of your own.





Write for your audience, not for you.



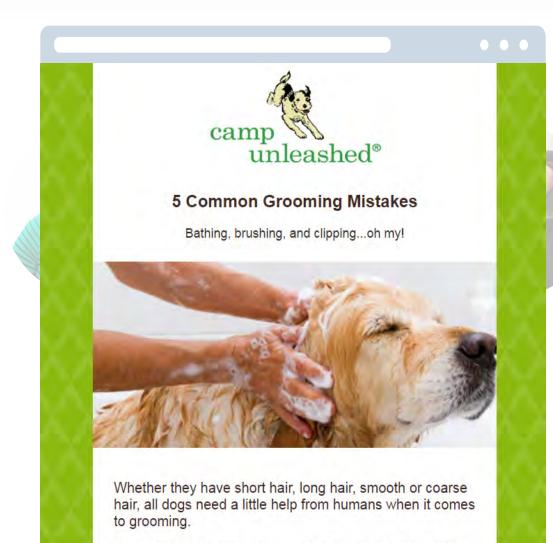
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3 pictures or less



20 lines of text or less









Number of Links











3+
steep decline



5+
less to no clicks

Fewer links, more clicks





Turn Questions...

...Into Content

How do I ensure my pipes won't burst this winter?

Can I deduct the mileage I drive for volunteering?

How do I get more people to attend my events?

5 Ways to Protect Your Pipes this Winter

Your Top 3 Mileage Deduction Questions

10 Ways to Increase Event Attendance





Images are content too! 90% of information processed by the brain is visual content















Working with photos

- Choose the right size
- Avoid copyright issues
- Use your own photos
- Find stock images





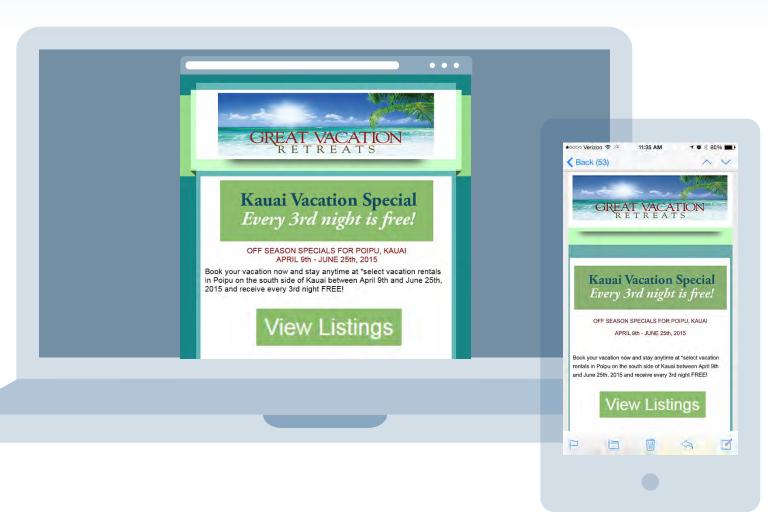


Communicate through Content

Make images clickable

 Keep key action above the scroll

Limit the choices!



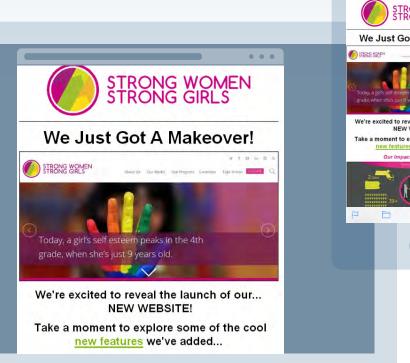


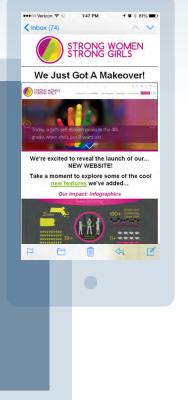
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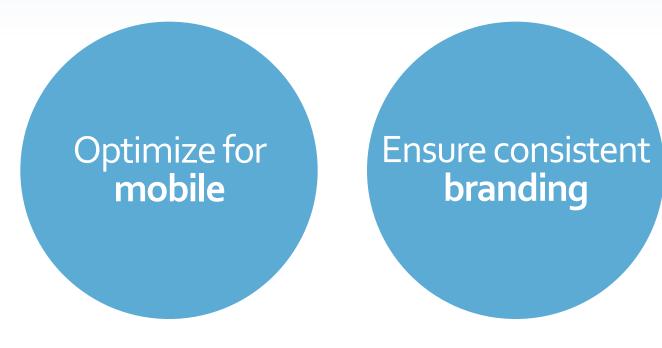
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Look great – and recognizably you – in any inbox!

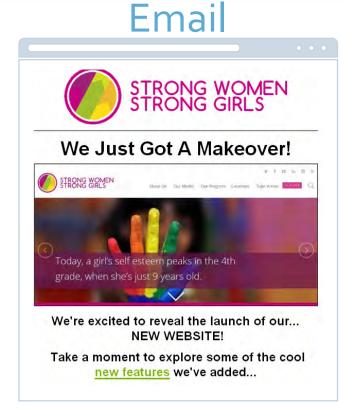




Be recognizable. Everywhere.

Be consistent

- Use images
- Use similar language



Facebook

Website









Newsletters

- stay top of mind
- send news or updates
- inform and educate



Announcements

- share **new products**
- invite to a special event
 - ask for feedback



Promotions

- provide exclusive content
 - offer deals or coupons
 - ask for feedback







Simple recipe for success...

- 1. Single column template
- 2. Fewer than 3 images
- 3. Fewer than 20 lines of text
- 4. No more than 3-5 links
- 5. Action above the scroll line





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Give them 4 reasons to pay attention.

Who sent it?

How do people know you best?

Make your "from name" and "from email" recognizable.























Is it worth reading?

Identify your purpose. Be clear, be clever and...





Size matters.



Keep it short.

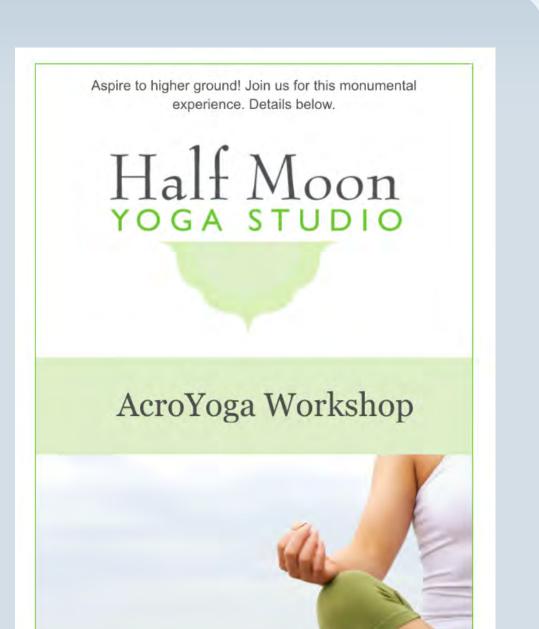
30-40 characters max

6-10 words max

Control "pre-header" text

Source: Litmus





Entice them.

- Use pre-header text
- Customize the message

Choose your words carefully.

Act Now! Win
Refund guaranteed offers
Fast! Click Get Free home
cash rates dollars
raffic now Act Now! credit
traffic remove Urgent order
Purchase Fees income
money Save





Timing is everything.

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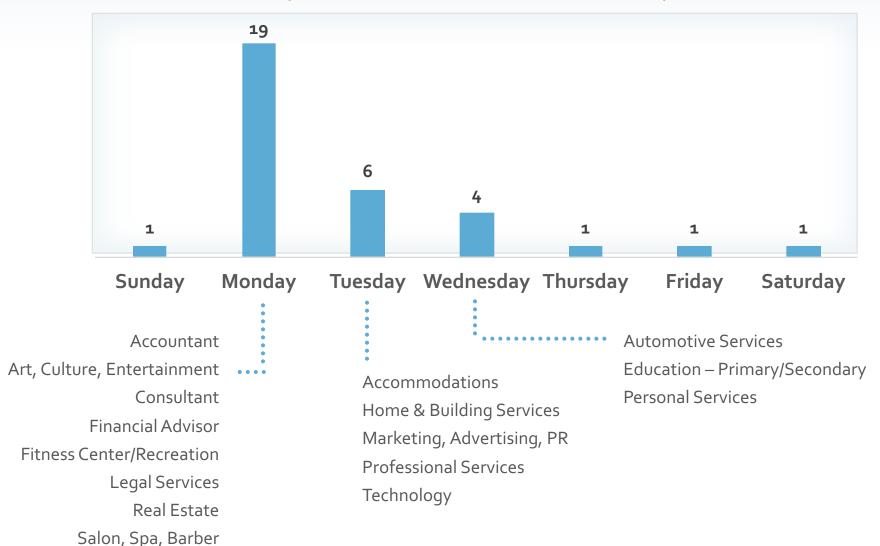


When is it best to send emails?

Accountants & Hotels, Inns, Religious Financial **Arts & Crafts** Restaurants Organizations B&Bs Advisors Wednesday Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday 6:00 am 12:00 pm 7:00 am 7:00 am 5:00 am



Best **day** to send (# of industries out of 33 studied)



Cool and interesting fact: When to Send





Emails with social media buttons

increase click-through rates by 158%







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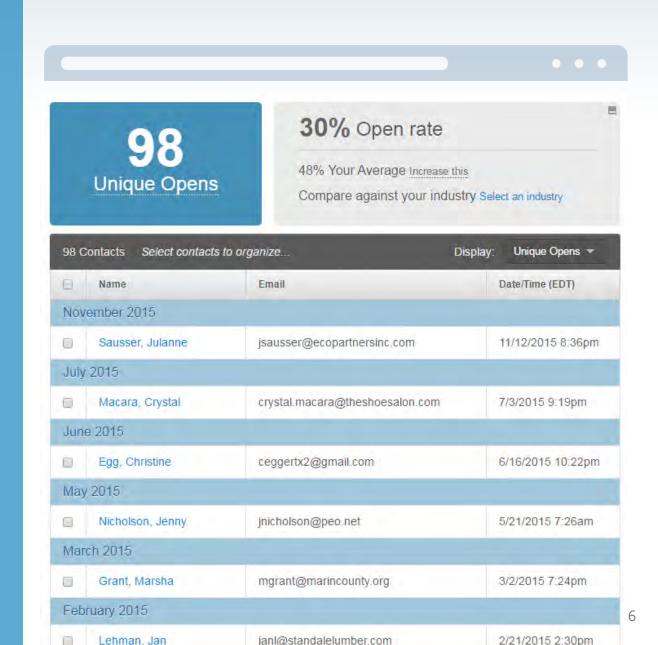
Don't guess. Use metrics.



OPENS

- Gauge interest
- Determine best day/time



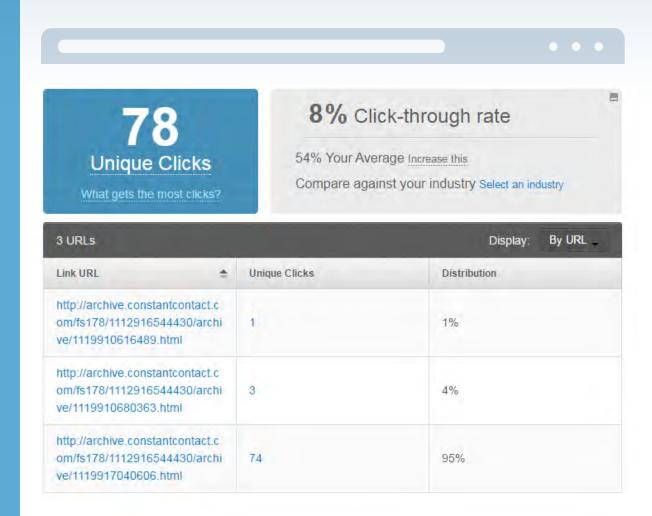




CLICK-THROUGHS

- Measure success
- Identify engaged readers



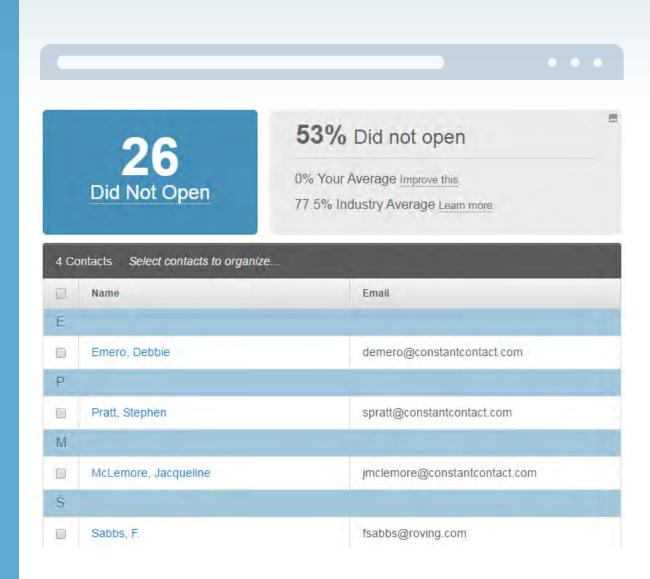




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- Re-engage audience
- Test new methods



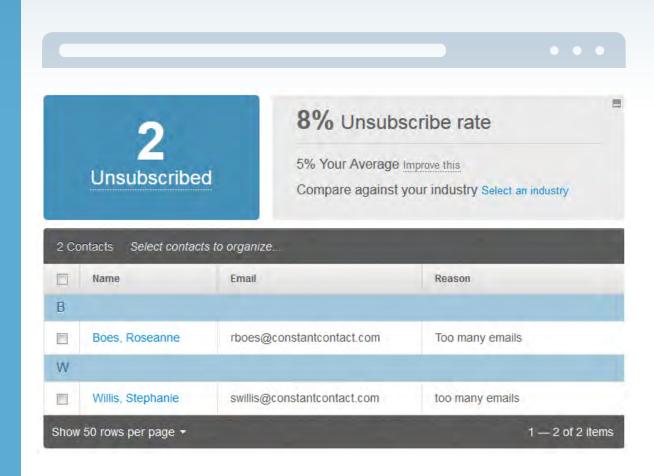




OPT-OUTS

- Collect feedback
- Adjust mailing strategy



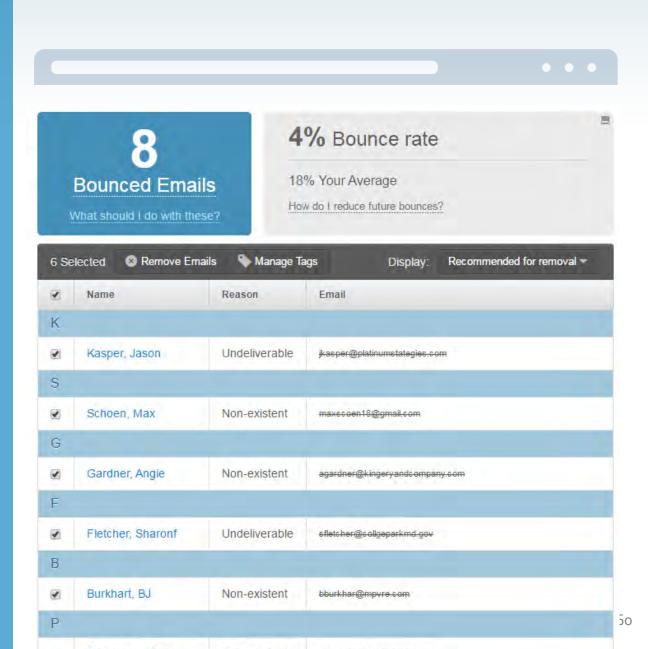




BOUNCES

- Identify "bad" addresses
- Maintain clean lists









Making decisions based on LOW metrics



- Have recognizable from name
- Write interesting subject line
- Send timely emails



- Have a strong call to action
- Keep email short
- Send **targeted** emails





Making decisions based on HIGH metrics



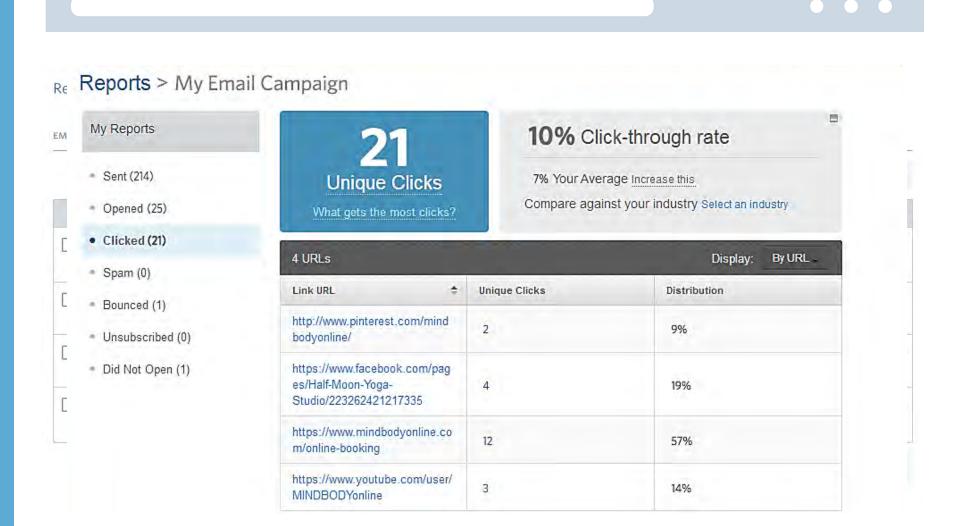
- Find the best time & day
- Identify best keywords
- Segment 'super fans'



- Format links to stand out
- Offer links to preferred content
- Segment 'super clickers'



Spotlight on the "click-through"





View the "clickers"

Reports > My Email Campaign My Reports

Sent (214)

Opened (25)

Clicked (21)

Spam (0)

Bounced (1)

Unsubscribed (0)

- Did Not Open (1)



10% Click-through rate

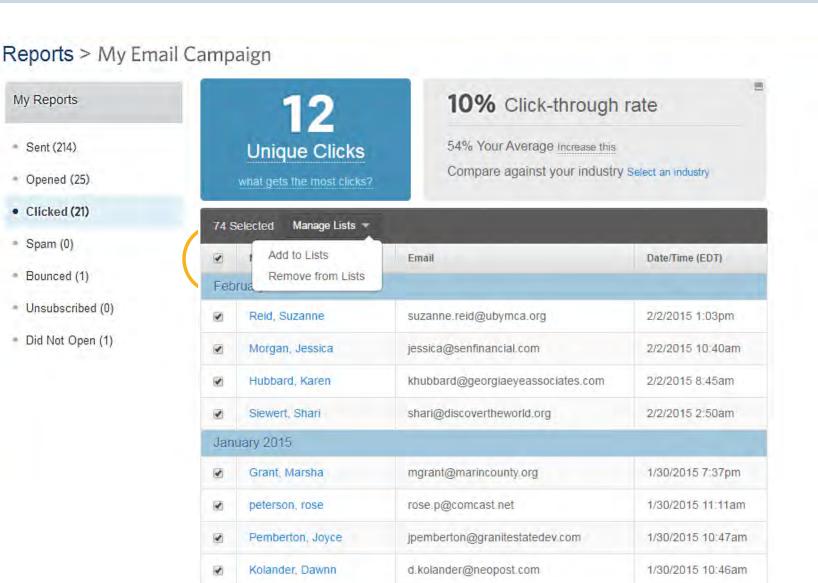
54% Your Average Increase this

Compare against your industry Select an industry

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Target based on interest





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What an "ideal" email looks like...

Subject line: keep it short (8 words, 35 characters)

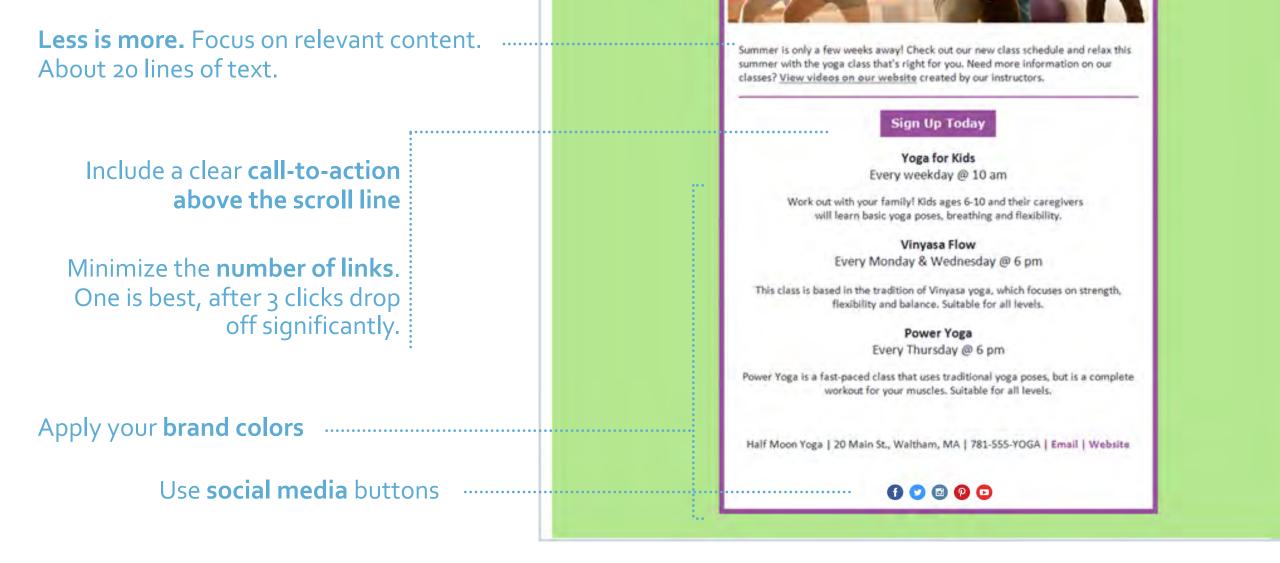
Include your **business name** in 'from name' text

Write **pre-header text** to entice readers

Make your logo **clickable** to your website

Communicate through images and make them clickable. • Keep to 3 or fewer





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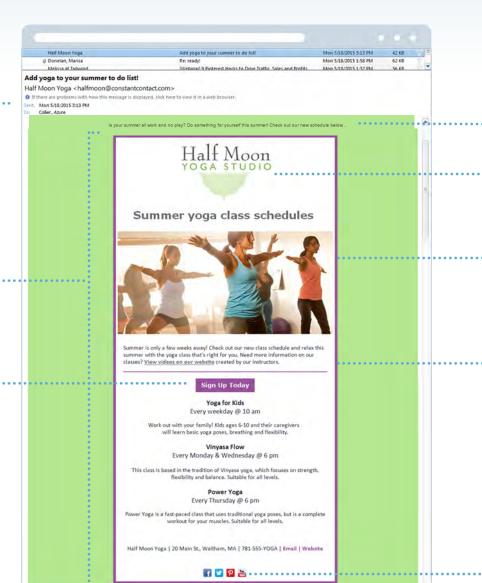


Include your **business name** in 'from name' text

Apply your **brand colors**.....

Include a clear call-to-action above the scroll line

Minimize the **number of links**. One is best, after 3 clicks drop off significantly.



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Less is more. Focus on relevant content. About 20 lines of text.



Small business marketing is...

Nurturing relationships. Delivering on your promise. Getting measurable results.



You have an advantage.

Your connection to your customers!

Three simple steps to get started:

- Get your contact list together.
- 2. Create and hit send!
- 3. Watch what happens...



You really can do this!







Resources

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