# Keep up or get left behind Why your small biz needs digital marketing

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# **Consumer expectations**

have changed. When most consumers hear of a new business, they immediately look up the website and social media accounts to learn more.

To **find** you, they plug your address into their smartphone and **use Google maps to get there**.

### Times are changing...

Traditional media accounted for 50% of all advertising spend in 2012.

## **25%**

**Traditional media** spend in 2015 (Digital Agency Network).

#### 85%

Searches for **products and services** happen online in 2016 (Forbes).

## 93%

Canadians going online for **product information** (6S Marketing).

#### Traditional

marketing is typically more expensive than digital marketing, especially major TV spots, radio ads, billboards, and newspaper ads.

# Online, you can

have two-way communication and interact with potential clients.

With traditional ads, you learn a lot less about your audience since the message is typically one-way and lacks interaction.

If you're already advertising in other ways that are working for you, like print and word-ofmouth, **online advertising is a** great way to supplement your efforts to increase results.



Digital marketing does have a higher learning curve than traditional, and takes more time to realize results so it's a good idea to work with pros.

# $\star \star \star \star \star$ can improve SEO

THRIVE ONLINE

The # of positive reviews you have on external sites might have a bigger impact on your rankings than the reviews on your own site. This is because Google's local search algorithm incorporates data from a number of third-party directories/review sites (Forbes).

> the leads generated with digital content marketing as oppose to traditional marketing in 2015, & cost 62% less (Hubspot).

86% of smartphone users **notice mobile ads** (6S Maketing).

64.6% of people click on Google ads when they are looking to buy an item (Hubspot).

93% of shoppers buying decisions are **influenced by social media** (Neil Patel).

64% of consumers **prefer mobile-optimized sites** to apps (Adweek).



62% of consumers use smartphones to **assist inperson shopping by comparing prices, searching for deals and seeking out reviews**.

88% of consumers **trust online reviews** as much as a personal recommendation (Forbes).

72% of consumers who did a **local search visited a store** within 8 km (Hubspot).