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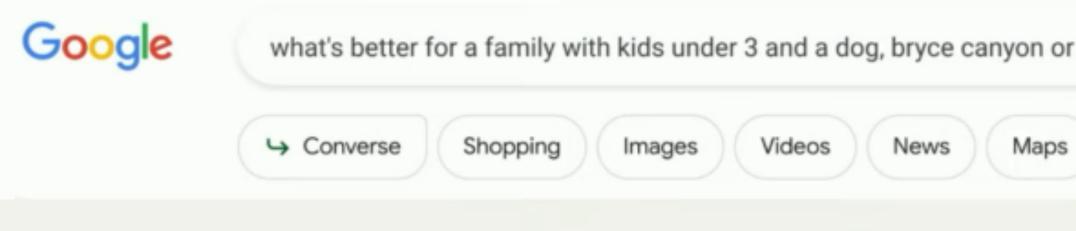
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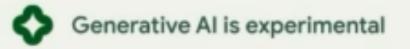




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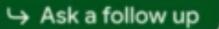


Both Bryce Canyon and Arches National Parks are family-friendly. Although both parks prohibit dogs on unpaved trails, Bryce Canyon has two paved trails that allow dogs.

Bryce Canyon has distinctive features like hoodoos, natural bridges, and waterfalls. At the visitor center's interactive exhibits, children can learn about the geology, wildlife, and people of the area. You can bring your dog on the paved sections of both the Rim Trail and the Shared Use Path, both of which are also stroller-friendly.

At Arches, children may enjoy the rock formations, and some say that Arches has more variety than Bryce Canyon. Pets aren't allowed on any trails, though they are allowed at campgrounds, pullouts, roads, and parking lots.

Both parks offer guided tours, ranger-led programs, picnic areas, and restrooms, and both parks require pets to be leashed.



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→ How many days do you need in Arches National Park for kids?

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## **Google starts testing AI overviews from SGE in** main Google search interface

Some users who do not opt in to the Google Search labs SGE feature may see Al overview answers in the search results.

Barry Schwartz on March 22, 2024 at 11:43 am | Reading time: 2 minutes

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Google is now testing AI overviews in the main Google Search results, even if you have not opted into the <u>Google Search Generative Experience</u> labs feature. Google said this is an experience on a "subset of queries, on a small percentage of search traffic in the U.S.," a Google spokesperson told Search Engine Land.

# OUTETLY TESTING ON PUBLIC US SERPS



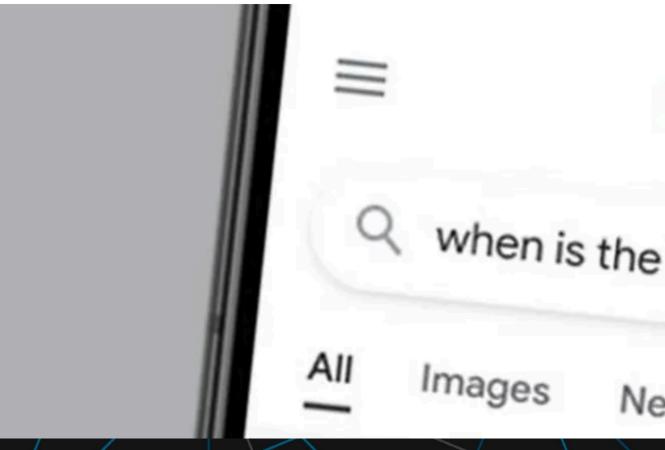
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# Google using AI to come up with search answers in UK trial

4 April 2024

By Chris Vallance, Technology reporter



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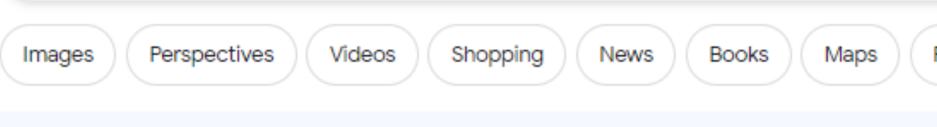
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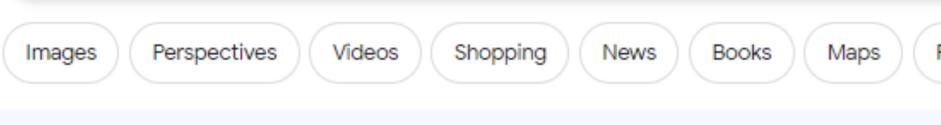
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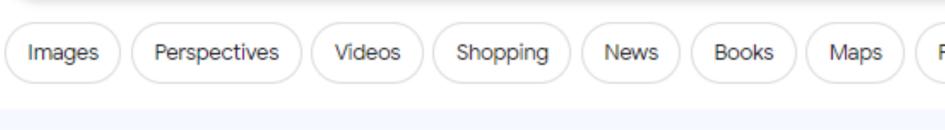
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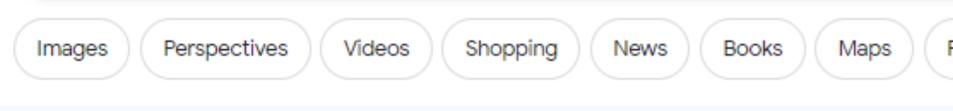
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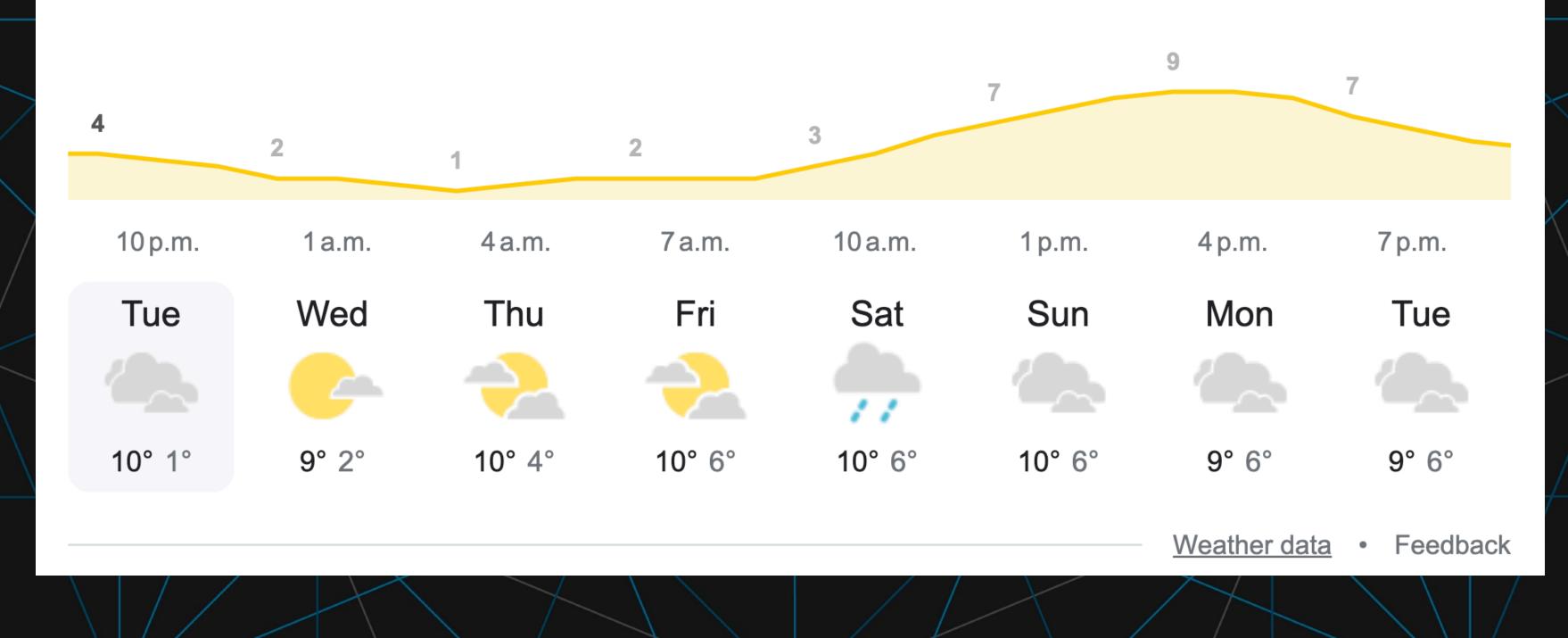
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# IF YOU WANT TO KNOW... THE WEATHER

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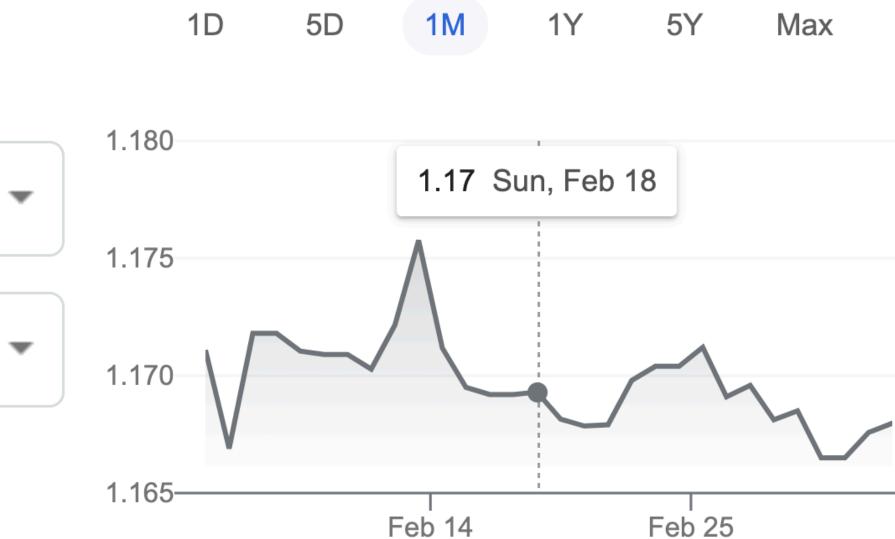
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the main meal of the day, taken either around midday or in the evening. "what's for dinner?"

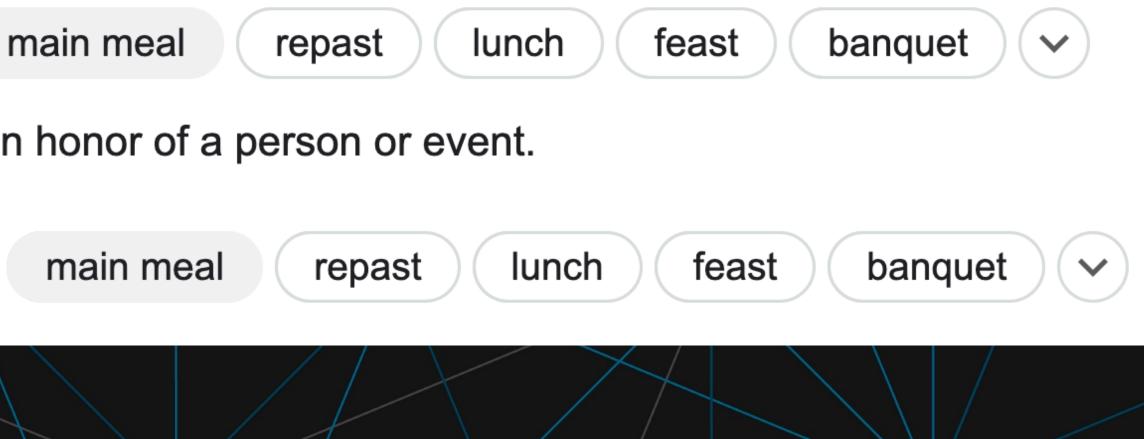
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• a formal evening meal, typically one in honor of a person or event. "the annual graduation dinner"

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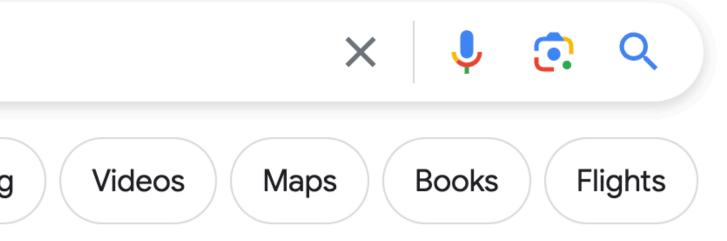
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# GOOGLE CARES ABOUT THE SEARCHER EXPERIENCE.



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# AND THEY HAVE MORE DATA ON THIS THAN ANYONE ELSE



By: Tom Capper

## User Signals as a Ranking Factor & US vs. Google

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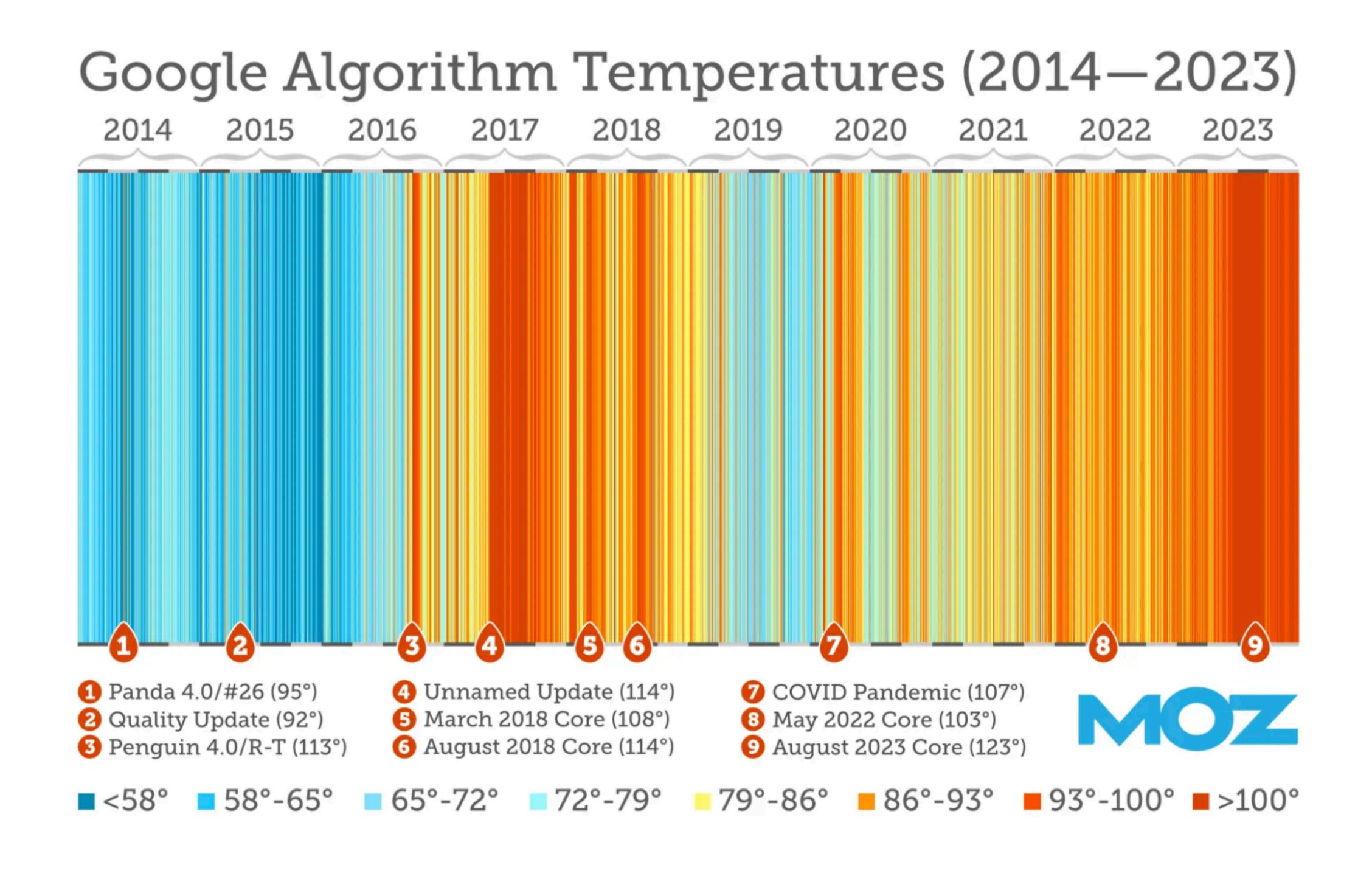
The author's views are entirely their own (excluding the unlikely event of hypnosis) and may not always reflect the views of Moz.

Some of you may be familiar with the ongoing US vs. Google antitrust case in the USA. In this piece, I want to give a broad overview of what this is about and what it means for SEO, as well as how it has surprisingly rekindled, maybe even confirmed some long-standing SEO conspiracy theories.

## A brief background on US vs. Google antitrust trial

December 19, 2023





## GOOGLE MAKES ALGORITHM CHANGES TO RETAIN USERS & MAINTAIN A COMPETITIVE EDGE.



## MORE USERS KEPT IN THE GOOGLE SEARCH ECOSYSTEM IS GOOD FOR THE SEO INDUSTRY.



# WHAT'S GOOD FOR SEARCH ENGINES IS GOOD FOR SEOS.



## FOR MANY USE CASES, THERE ARE BETTER TOOLS THAN WEB SEARCH. Like ChatGPT.



# GOOGLE NEEDS TO RETAIN USERS, NOT BE BETTER THAN CHATGPT







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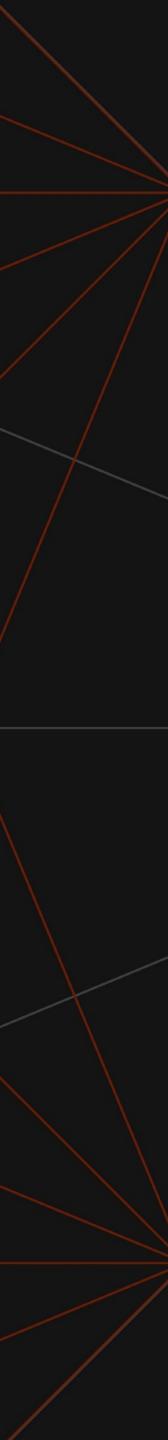
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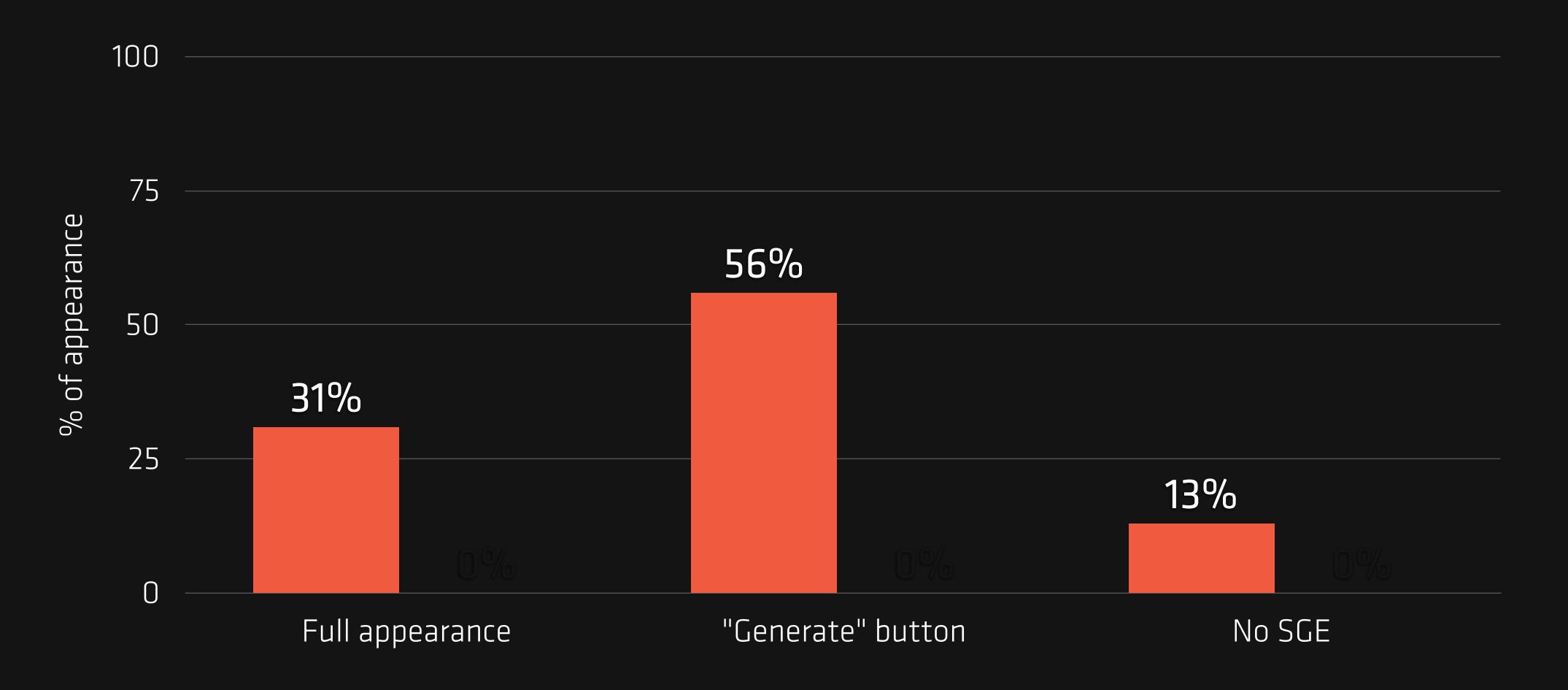
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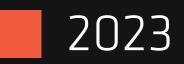
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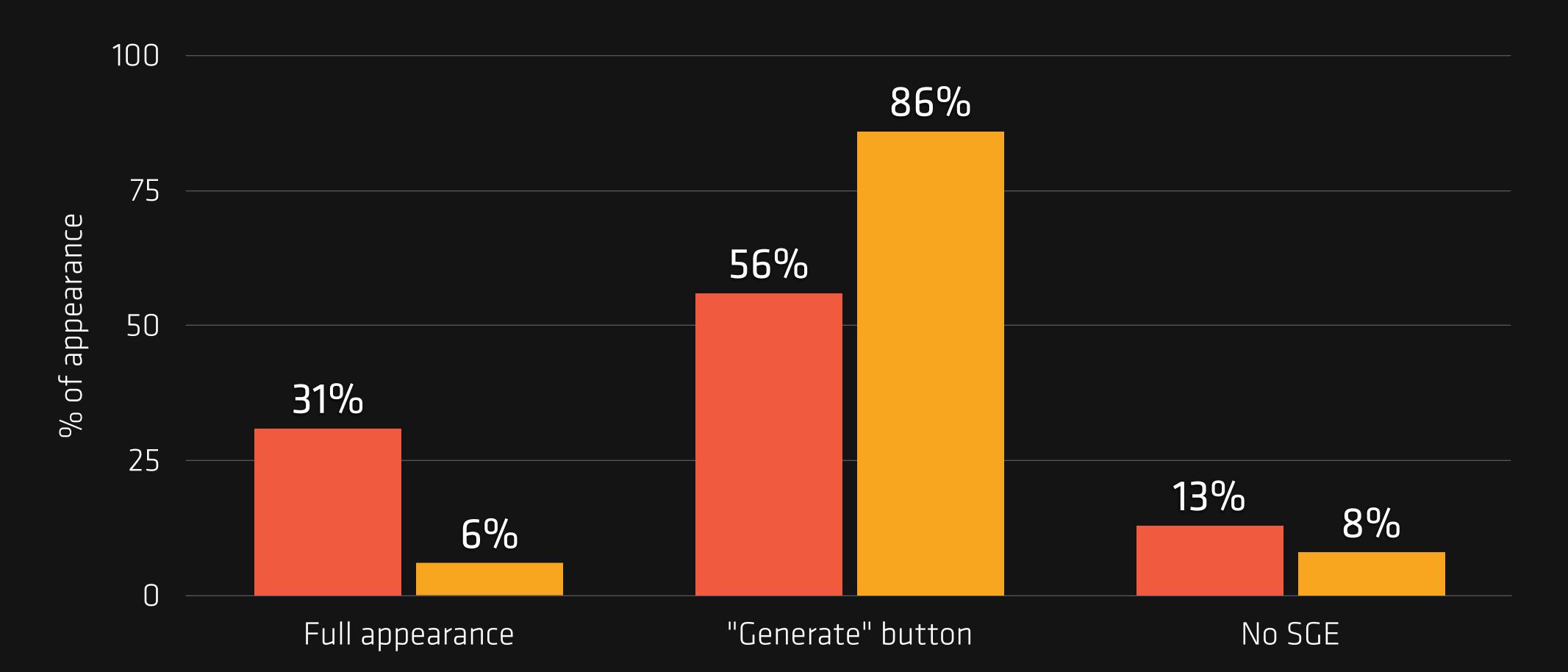


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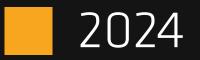




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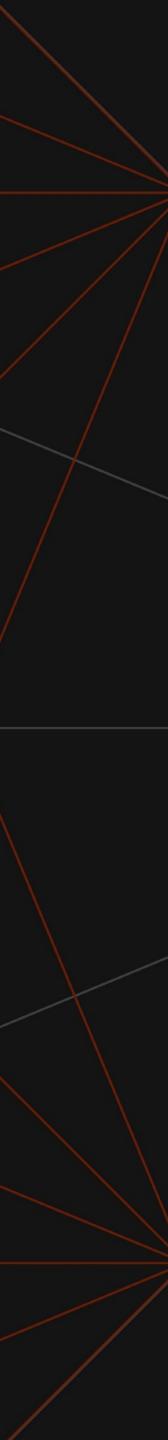




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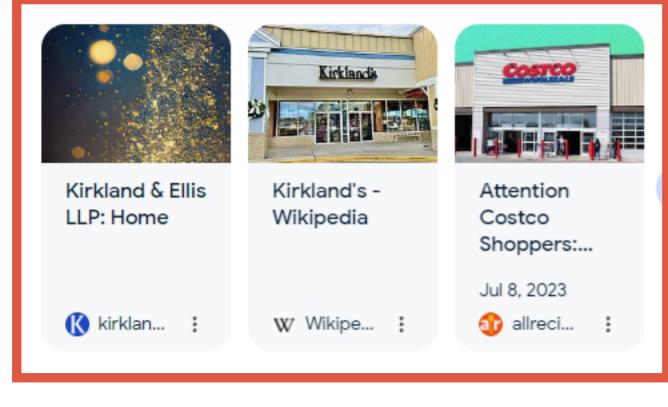
Kirkland's is a retail chain that sells home decor, furniture, textiles, accessories, and gifts. They have 431 stores in 35 states and an online store. Their products include wall decor, furniture, and patio furniture. Kirkland's customer service number is (877) 541 4855. 🗸

### Kirkland may also refer to:

- began selling Kirkland Signature products in 1995.
- Kirkland & Ellis LLP: A global law firm that provides services for corporate transactions, litigation, restructurings, and intellectual property matters.
- Kirkland's Spin to Win: An app available for download on iOS and Android app stores. 🗸

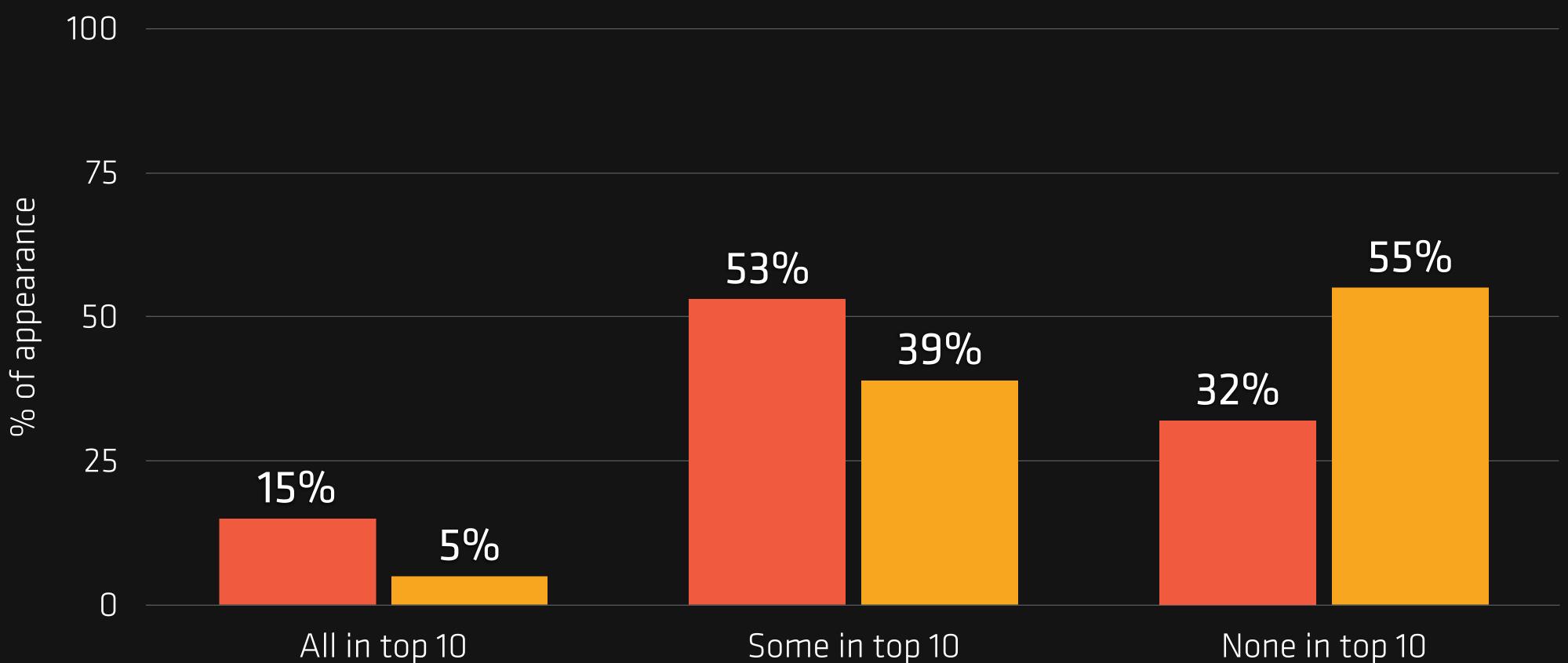
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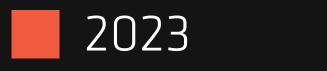
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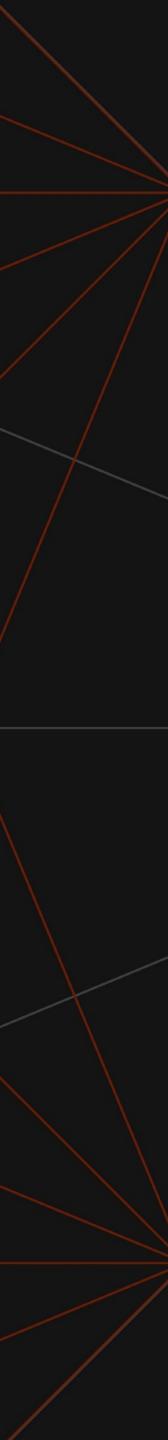




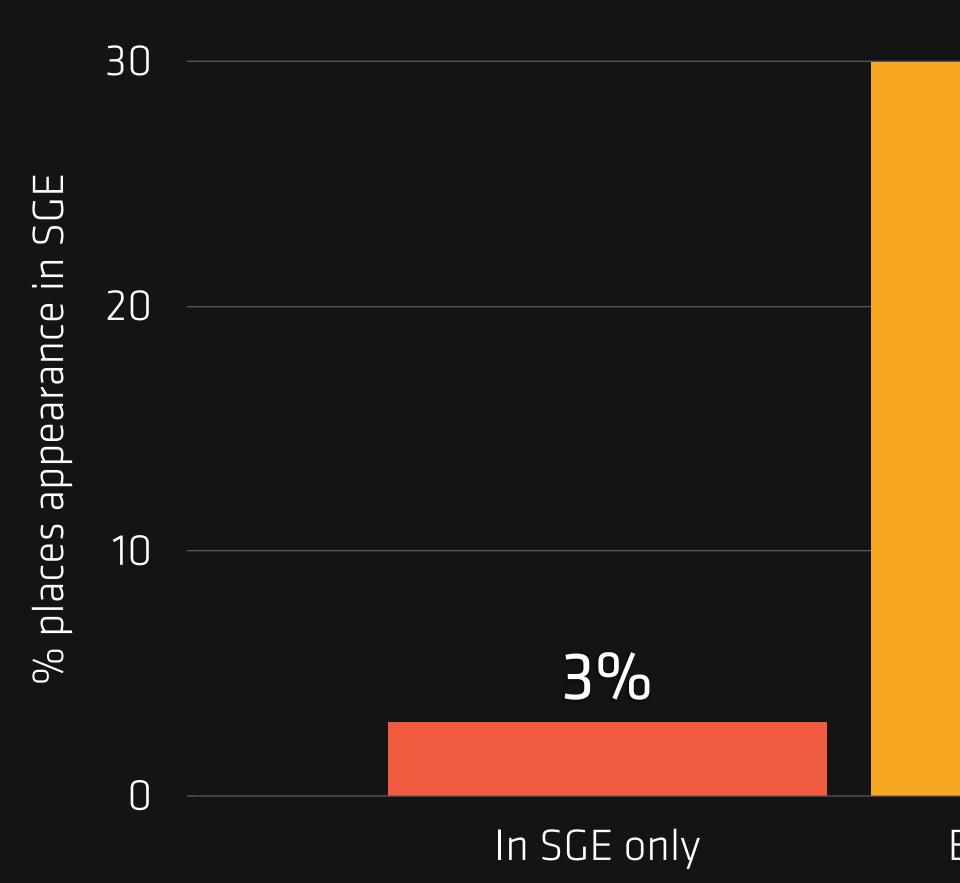
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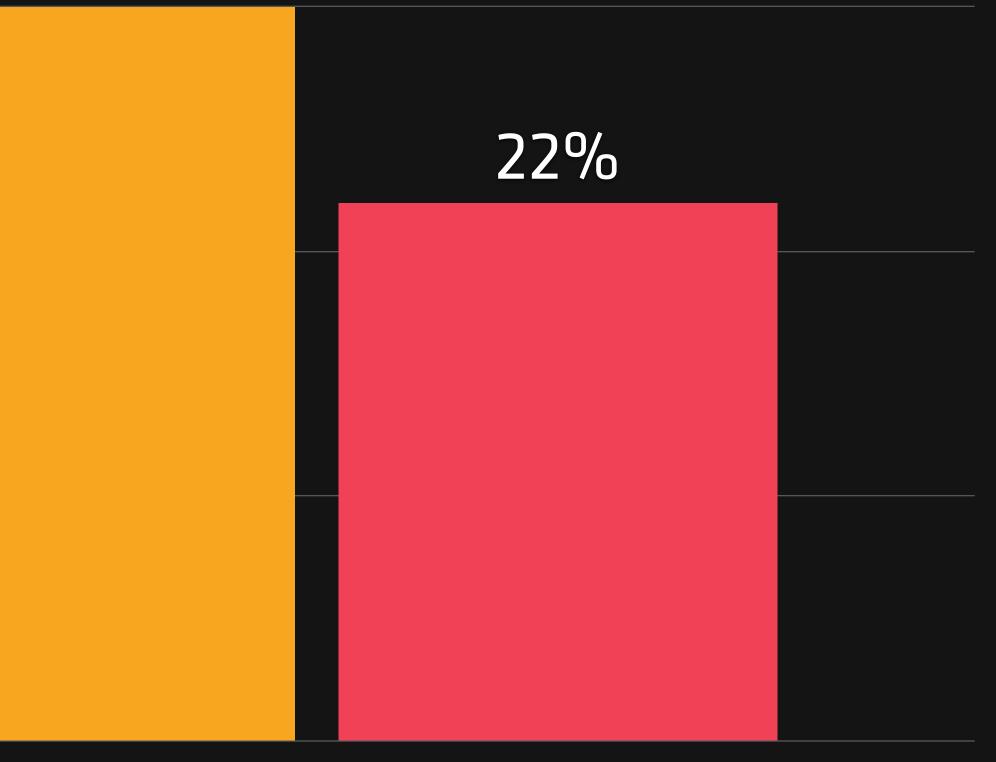
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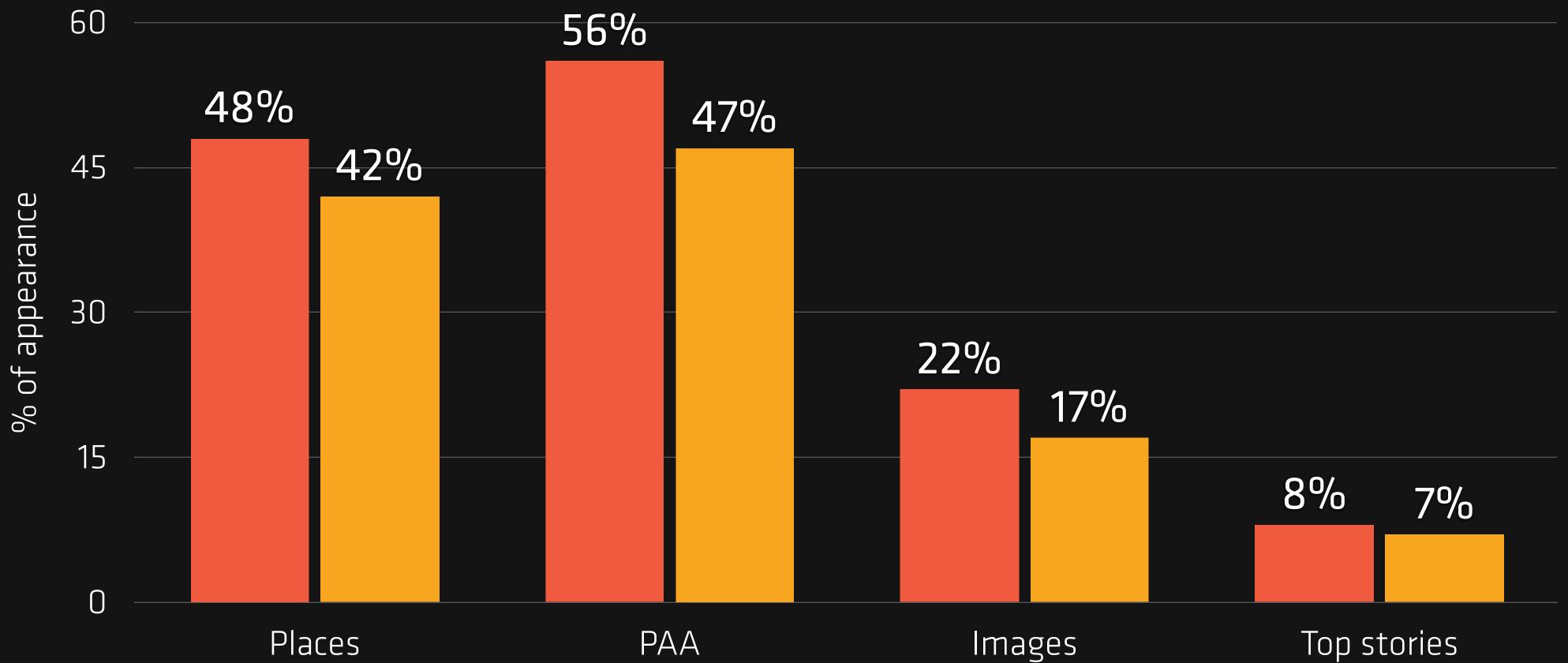


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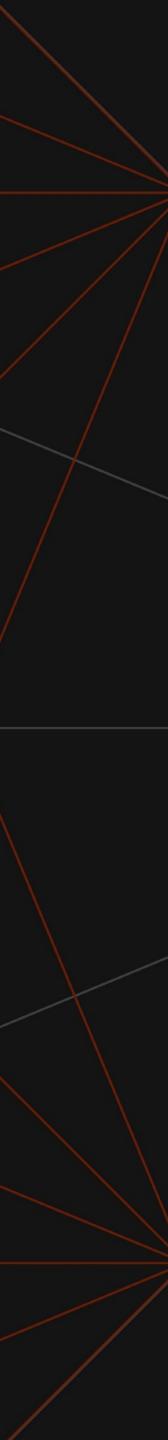
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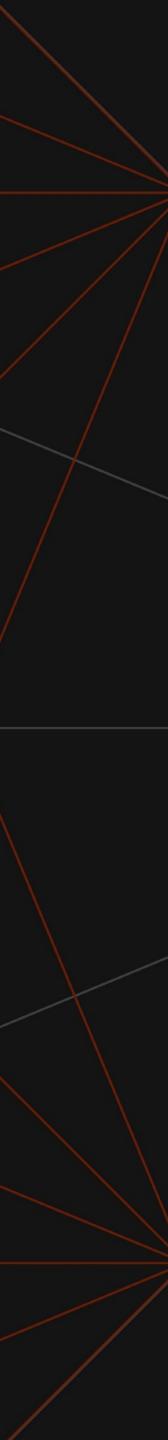




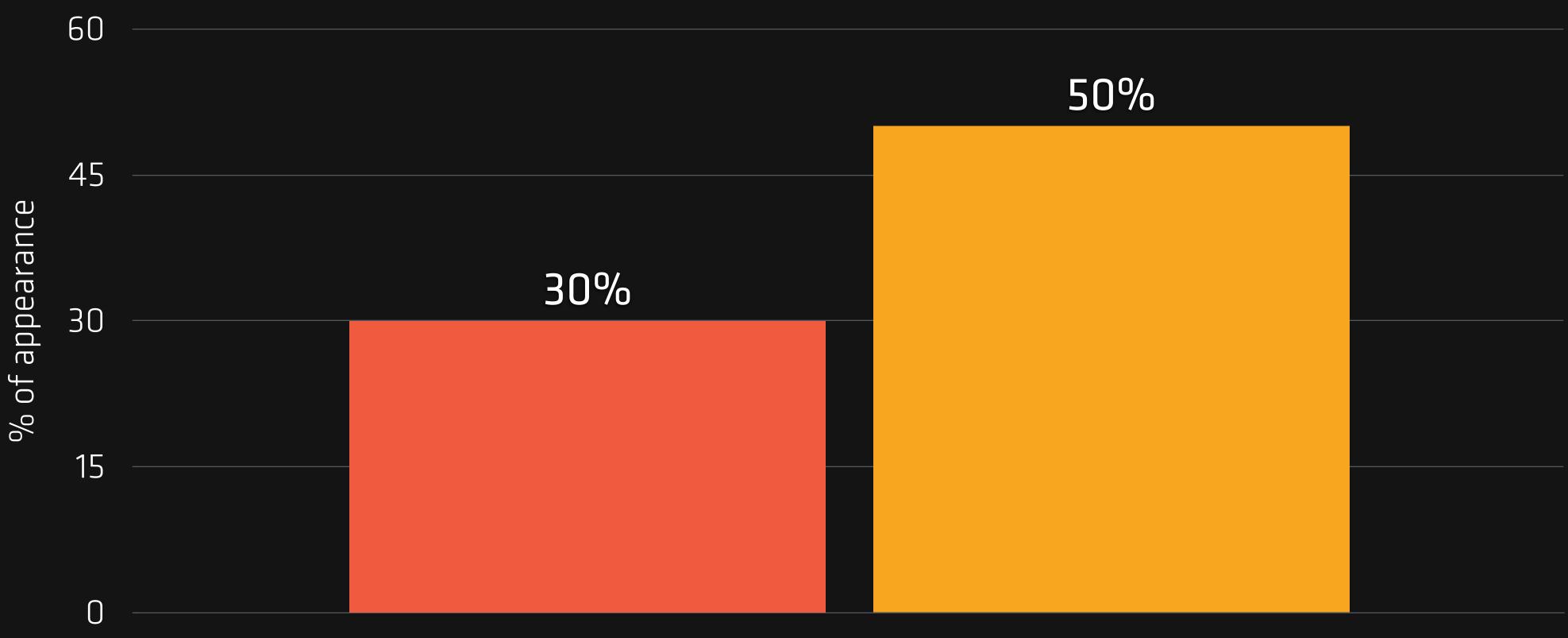
## NEARLY A YEAR IN, SGE STILL LOOKS LIKE A ROUGH TEST.



## SGE WAS AFFIXED TO THE TOP OF THE SERP, WITH LITTLE CONSIDERATION TO WHAT'S BENEATH IT.



## **MONETIZATION HAS BEEN STEPPED UP**





### Google Ads on SGE SERPs

## BUT NOT TO THE SAME EXTENT AS TRADITIONAL SERPS

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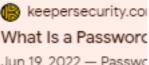
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#### Here are some password managers:



#### 1Password

Allows you to store all of your passwords in one place, and only needs one password to access them. 1Password also generates strong passwords.



#### Bitwarden

An open source password manager that saves your passwords to a database. You can access your passwords with a single, strong, and unique password.

#### Dashlane

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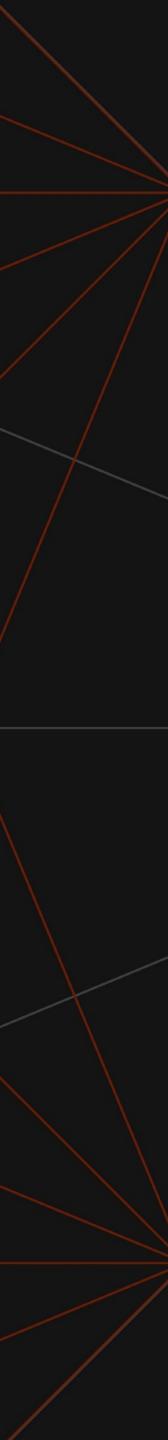
A password manager that helps you create strong, unique passwords for all of your accounts. It also keeps track of them so you won't have to worry about forgetting them.

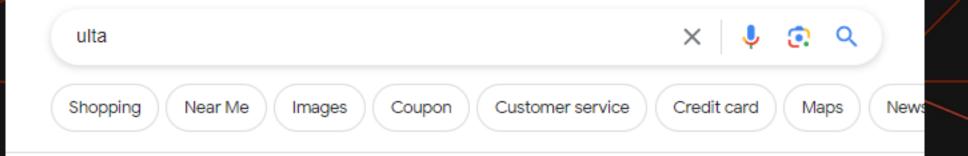
#### NordPass

Offers a variety of features to help you store, organize, and secure you

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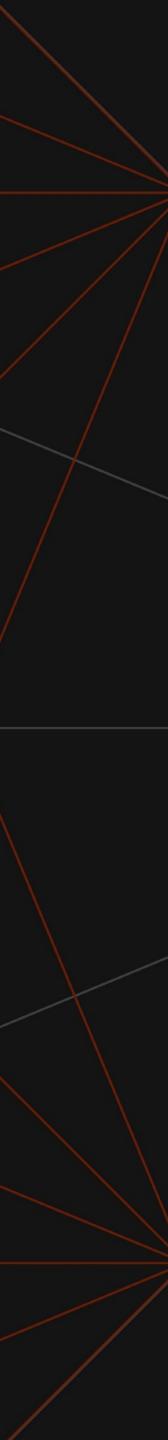
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Ulta Beauty is a chain of specialty beauty stores that sells cosmetics, fragrance, haircare, skincare, and accessories. They also offer salon services.

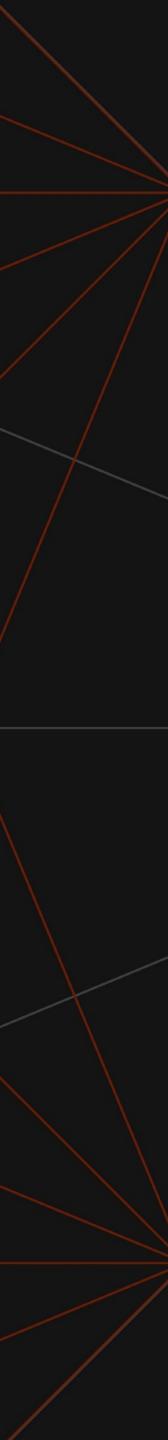
Ulta Beauty was founded in 1990 by Dick George and Terry Hanson. The company is headquartered in Bolingbrook, Illinois, and has 37,000 employees.

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## AND IT'S STILL INCREDIBLY AVKWARD.



## FLAWED OR OTHERWISE, THIS COULD REPRESENT GOOGLE'S DIRECTION.



## THERE ARE LIMITS TO A VIABLE GOOGLE SERP:

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## FEATURED SNIPPETS CAUSED QUITE A LEGAL STIR

## Controversy over Google Featured Snippets stealing publisher traffic reignites

### Google said it will take feedback into consideration.

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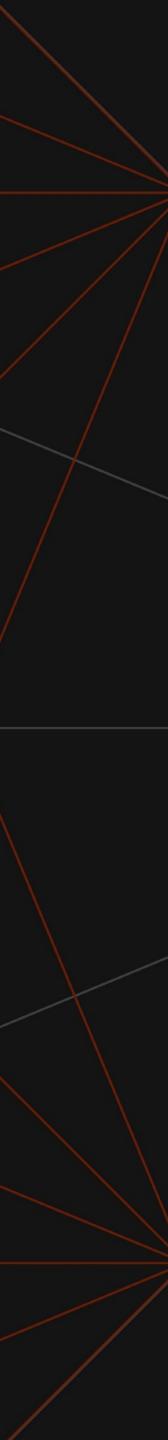
Barry Schwartz on February 25, 2019 at 1:34 pm | Reading time: 5 minutes

This weekend, Google responded to complaints about a form of featured snippet that does not immediately show the source of the content. Instead, it requires a searcher to click to expand the featured snippet and then scroll through various sources to see the publisher sources. The controversy around featured snippets and publishers is not new but it reignited with this result format.

The controversial featured snippet. Zyppy.com founder Cyrus Shepard posted a screen shot on <u>Twitter</u> of a "Found on the web" card of snippets:

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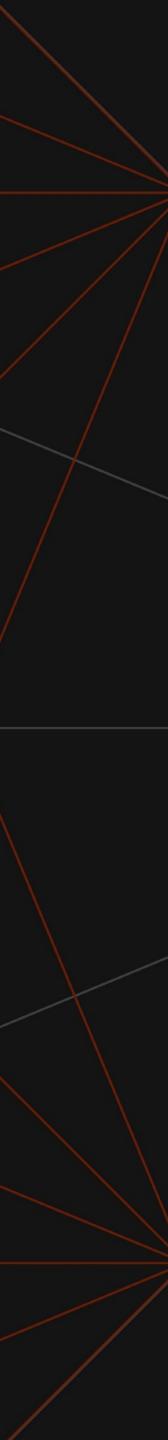


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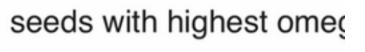
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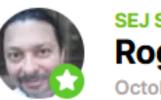




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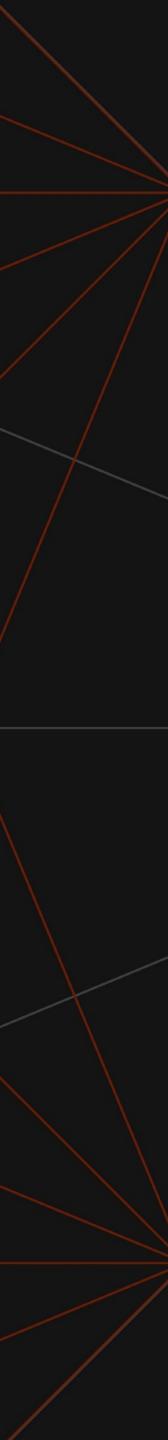
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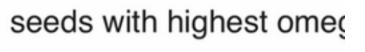
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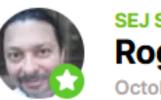




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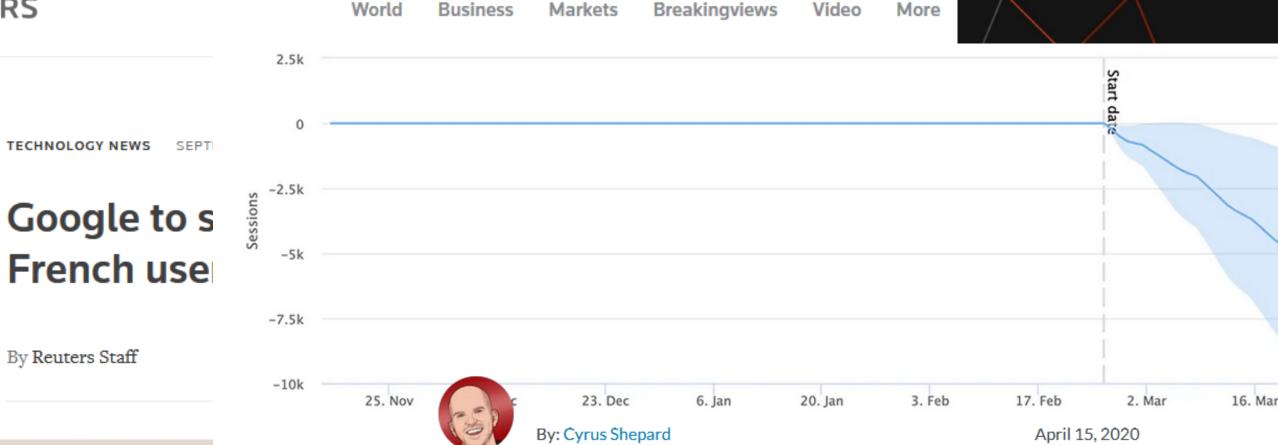


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#### **Opting Out of Google Featured Snippets Led to** 12% Traffic Loss [SEO Experiment]

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Everyone wants to win Google featured snippets. Right?

At least, it used to be that way. Winning the featured snippet typically meant extra traffic, in part because Google showed your URL twice: once in the featured snippet and again in regular search results. For publishers, this was known as "double-dipping."

All that changed in January when Google announced they would de-duplicate search results to





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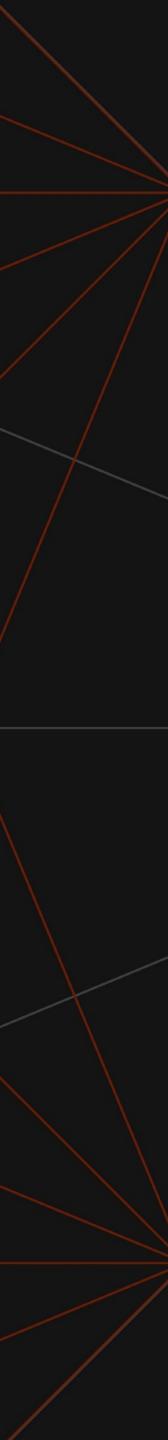
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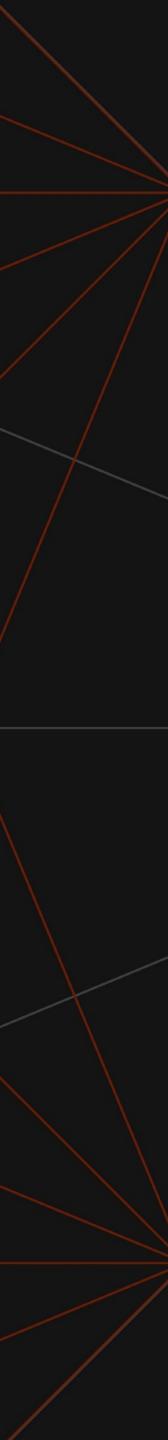
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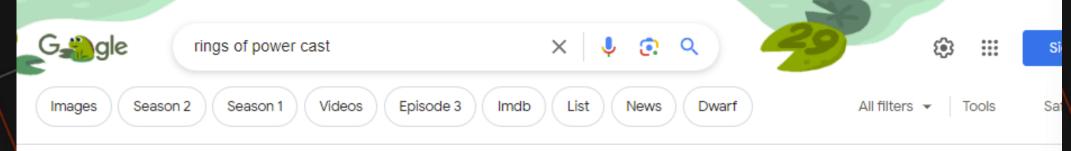


### **POTENTIAL LEGAL ISSUES:** "Stolen" content (like featured snippets), unsourced material, misleading information, and non-EU data centers.





## SGES OFTEN HAVE LITTLE BENEFIT OVER TRADITIONAL SERP FEATURES



About 104,000,000 results (0.47 seconds)

The Lord of the Rings: The Rings of Power / Cast



Morfydd Clark Galadriel

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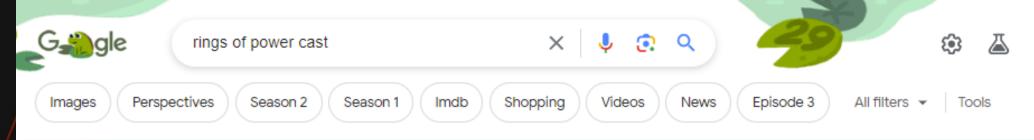
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### Traditional SERP

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Here are some cast members from The Lord of the Rings: The Rings of Power:



#### Morfydd Clark

Plays Galadriel, the immortal elf. Clark takes on the role from Cate Blanchette, who played the character in the film series.



Megan Richards

Plays Poppy Proudfellow, a friend of Nori Brandyfoot.



Cynthia Addai-Robinson Plays Queen Regent Miriel. Addai-Robinson has also appeared in Power, Spartacus, and Chicago Med.



Leon Wadham Plays Kemen, a dutiful son who is eager to win his father's approval.



Plays Elendil, a human warrior from Númenor who becomes a member of the Last Iliance of Elves and Men. Owen has also appeared in The Originals and The ntures of Young Indiana Jone



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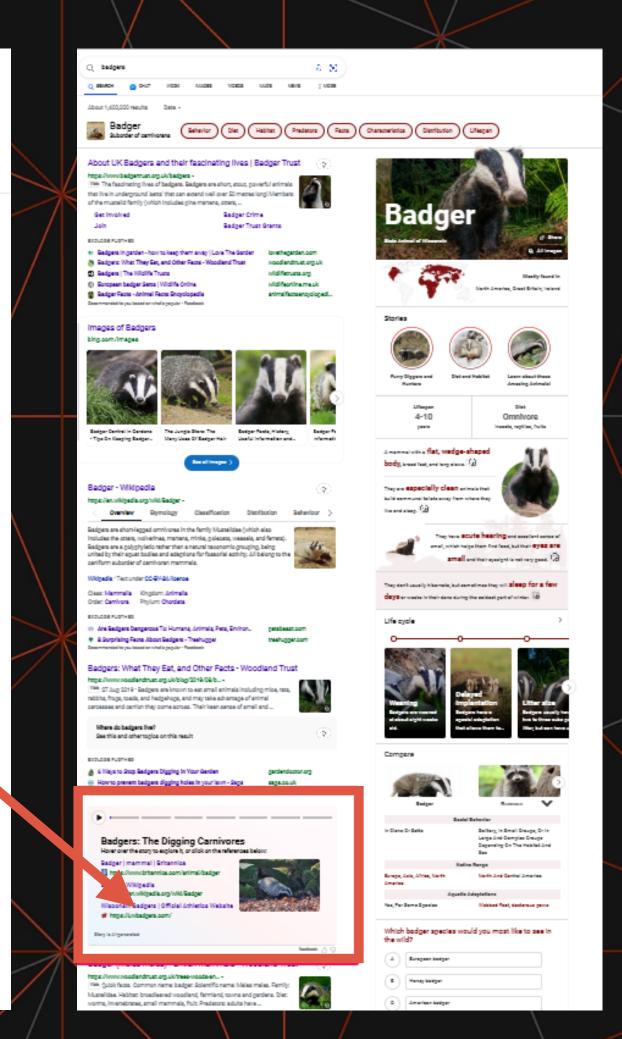
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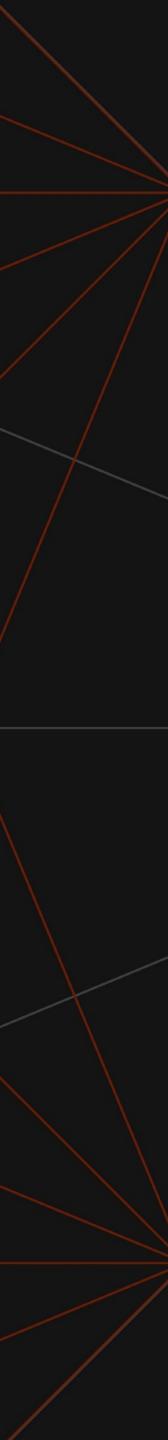
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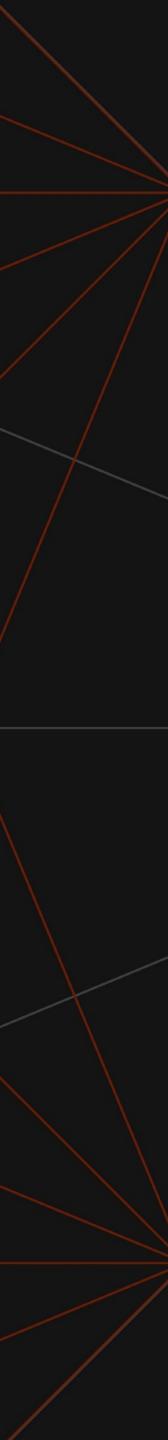
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## JUST AS WEB SEARCH IS NOT ALWAYS THE RIGHT ANSWER, NEITHER IS GENERATIVE AI.



## SGES ARE ALSO CURRENTLY RIFE WITH SPAM & MISINFORMATION

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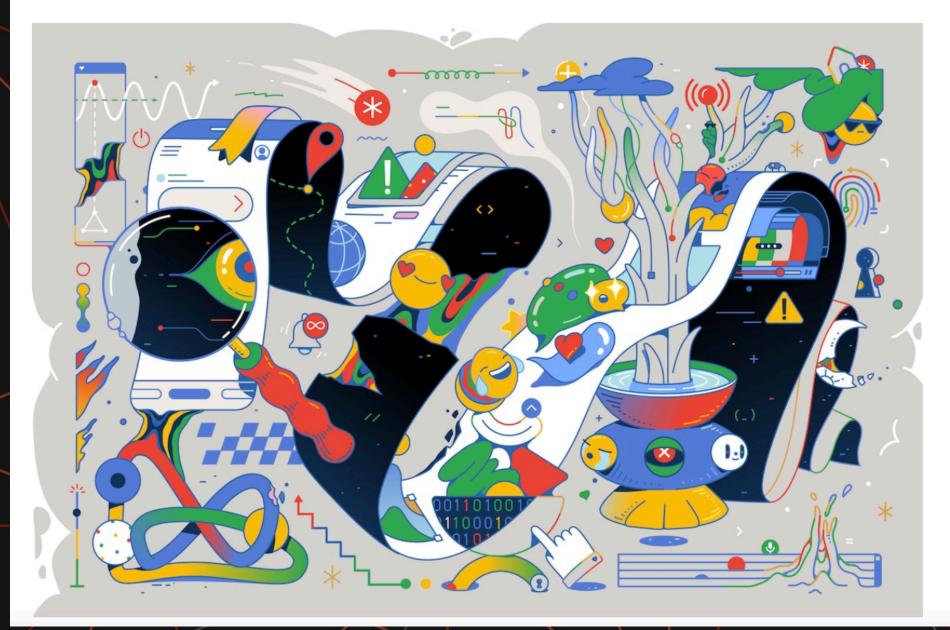
## I tried the new Google. Its answers are worse.

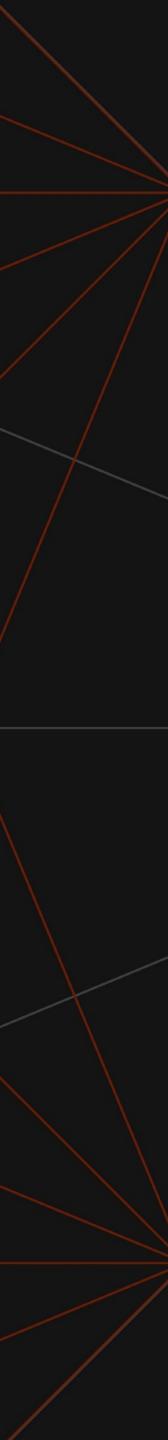
Google's Al-'supercharged' Search Generative Experience, or SGE, sometimes makes up facts, misinterprets questions and picks low-quality sources — even after nearly 11 months of public testing.



Review by Geoffrey A. Fowler

April 1, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. EDT







## COMMERCIAL LIMITATIONS



Google is <u>scrambling to make up lost ground</u> since the arrival of ChatGPT, which provides text answers to complex questions directly rather than requiring the use of a traditional search engine. Google has said it would launch its own chatbot and add AI features to its search engine.

The use of language AI to supplement or even replace internet searches has raised the prospect of sharply higher costs for search companies. Nadella said he was willing to accept any "demonetisation" of the search business, from which Microsoft last year earned \$11bn of revenue, for the chance to eat into Google's business.

"There is such margin in search, which for us is incremental. For Google it's not, they have to defend it all," he added, referring to the competition against Google as "asymmetric".



### Report: Bing Gained Less Than 1% Market Share Since Adding Bing Chat

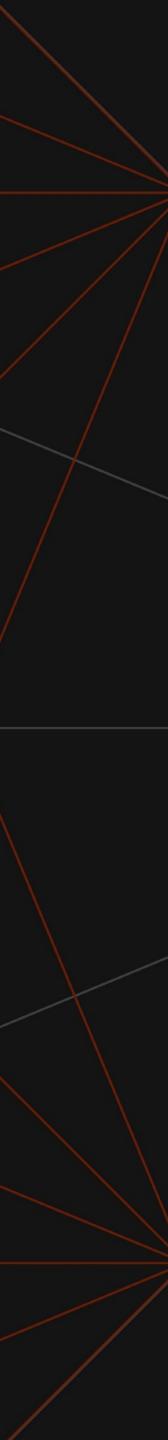
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It has been just about a year now since **Microsoft launched Bing Chat** (now known as **Copilot**) and Bing's market share has only grown less than 1% according to StatCounter. Most of you may not be surprised, since our poll shared shortly after Bing Chat launched had most of you thinking **Bing won't gain that much market share** from this feature.

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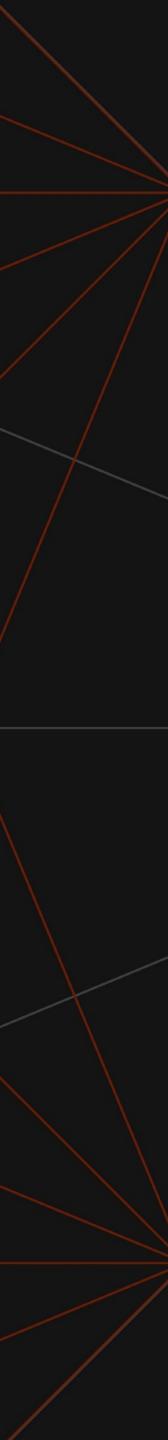
### OpenAI's Web Search Product Aims to Challenge Google's Search Supremacy

The ChatGPT maker is working on a web search product partially powered by Microsoft Bing



OpenAI is led by CEO Sam Altman, one of the luminaries of the artificial intelligence sector. Getty Images

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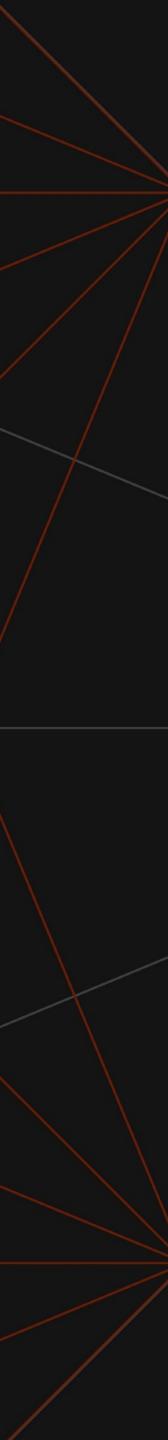
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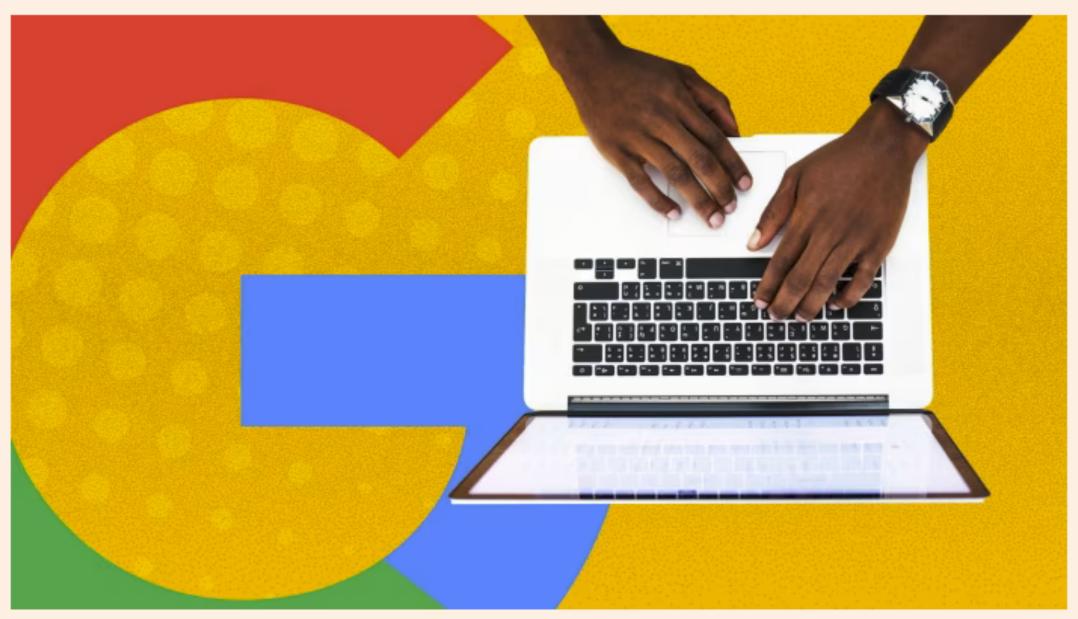
SGE is not so scary once you accept it doesn't have to be at the top of the SERP.



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#### Google considers charging for AI-powered search in big change to business model

Proposals would mark first time any of the software group's core product falls behind a paywall



Google began testing an experimental Al-powered search service in May, presenting more detailed answers to queries while continuing to present users with links to further information and advertising © FT montage/Getty Images/Dreamstime

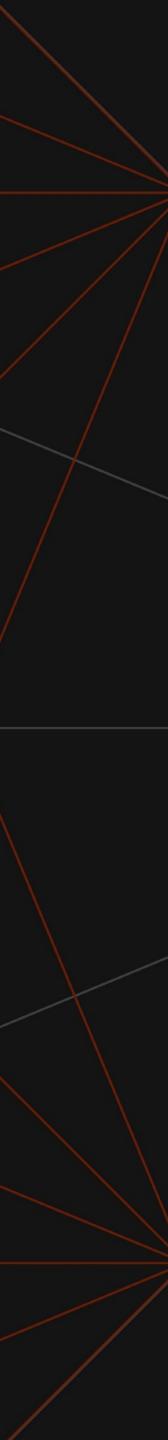
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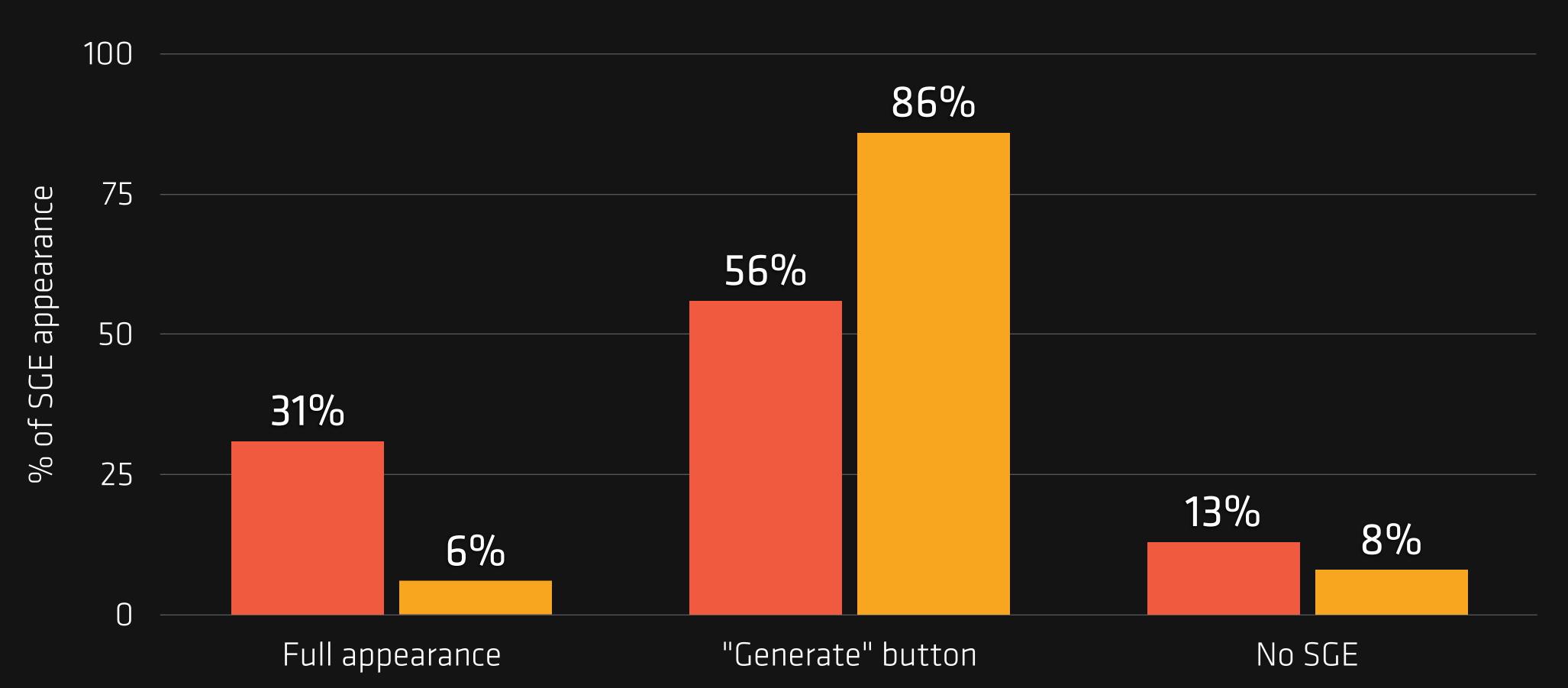
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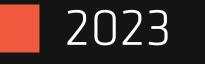
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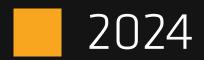
SGEs are expensive to generate and hard to monetize.



## COMPUTATION COST MAY BE THE BIGGEST PROBLEM









### ON THE AGENDA TODAY:

- Google's present position and motives
- How far the SERP can bend before it breaks
- What happens next
  - Key takeaways



## GOOGLE HAS BEEN SLOWLY IMPROVING & EXPANDING SGE

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## Generative AI in Search expands to more than 120 new countries and territories

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## GOOGLE ALSO SEEMS TO IMPLY SGE WILL ONLY EVER BE A TESTBED

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## Continuing to boldly experiment with generative AI in Search

This week's launch of AI-powered insights for multisearch is the result of testing we began last year to see how gen AI can make Search radically more helpful, with SGE in Search Labs. We've gotten lots of useful feedback from people who've chosen to join this experiment, and we'll continue to offer SGE in Labs as a testbed for bold new ideas.

But our goal is to make AI helpful for everyone, not just early adopters. So moving forward, as we continue to experiment and uncover which applications of gen AI are most helpful, we'll introduce them into Search more broadly, like we're doing now with multisearch results.

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## SGES SHOULD NOT BE ROLLED OUT IN THEIR CURRENT FORM.



## INVESTOR PRESSURE WAS LIKELY THE MAIN MOTIVATION BEHIND SGE.



## WE SHOULD EXPECT A LESS RADICAL DEPARTURE FROM THE CURRENT SERP. But SEOs still need to chart a course that incorporates both worlds – just in case.





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