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Outline For This Bootcamp

Day One

- Measurement Plan
- Setup & Installation
- Product Linking
- All 6 Standard Reports
- Filters & Segments
- Event Tracking
- Goal Tracking
- UTMs

Day Two

- Advanced Filtering
- Custom Reports
- Ecommerce Tracking
- Conversion Funnels
- Channel Grouping
- Custom Dimensions & Metrics
- Calculated Metrics

Day Three

- Creating a Dashboard
 In Google Data Studio
- GDS Custom Filters
- GDS Calculated Fields
- GDS Combining Data Sources
- Tips & Tricks

We will have Questions and Answers time each day.

CREATE A MEASUREMENT PLAN



What and Why Are We Tracking?

Creating a Measurement Plan will allow you to fully understand what you are tracking and why that data is important.

Creating this plan will help you to make sure you do not miss any of your companies key performance indicators, known as KPIs. You will also be able to define what success looks like and even obtain approval from stakeholders or executives.

Measurement Plan

- 1. Define objectives and KPIs
- 2. Identify data segmentation and set your targets
- 3. Create your implementation plan
- 4. Define reporting. (format, frequency, etc.)

Example

Small e-retailer measurement plan

Objectives	Sales and growth		Brand building		Customer loyalty		Grow and engage social community		
KPIs	Grow revenue	Grow customer base	Gain new customers	Increase reach/ visibility	Keep existing customers	Improve engagement	Grow likes/ follows	Shares/tweets/ pins/@/#	Social ripples
Measurable metrics	Revenue	New registrations	% new visitors vs. returning visitors	Organic sessions	Return visitors	Newsletter subscriptions	Passive social button clicks	Social source and action	Network referrals
	Transactions	Grow London customer base	Newsletter subscriptions	Referral sessions	Transactions per customer	Blog readers	New likes	Shares	Trackbacks
	Revenue by category	Grow international customers	New blog readers	Social traffic	Custom dimension: existing customer	Average visit duration	New follows	Tweets and retweets	Social conversions
	Average order value		New Pinterest followers	Increase visibility (GWT)	Lifetime value		Custom dimension: 'socially engaged'	Pins and repins	Brand mentions
	Items/ transactions				Reduce returns				



SETUP & INSTALLATION



Accounts, Property & Views

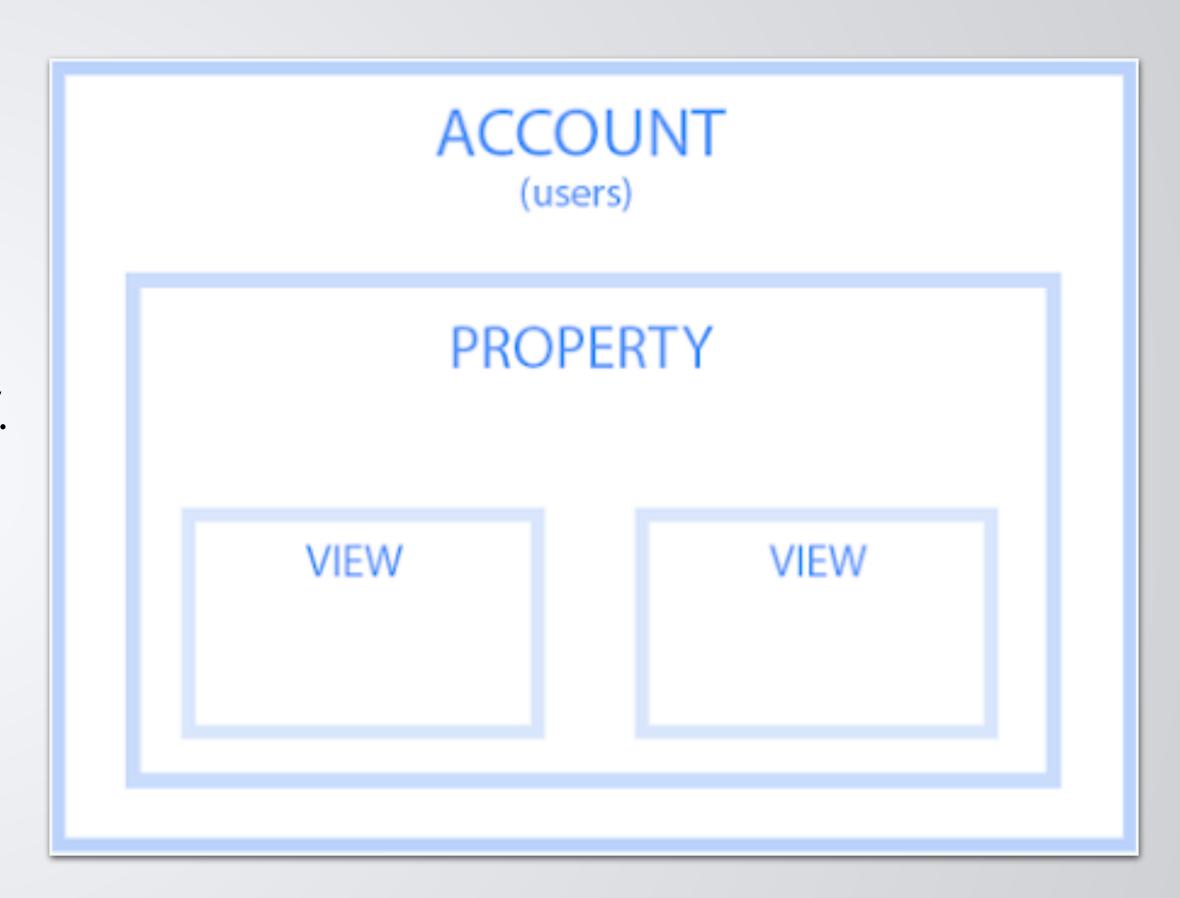
The biggest mistake is not setting up your Accounts, Property and Views correctly.

Account: Normally I set this to be the company.

Property: Property is a website, mobile

application, device.

View: Access point for reports with a defined view for that property.



Accounts & Property Setup



Property 1
www.myshoestore.com

UA-1234-1

Property 2
blog.myshoestore.com

UA-1234-2

Property 3
My Shoe Store Mobile App

UA-1234-3

Each account contains different properties based on your sites.



Google recommends a minimum of 3 views, Unfiltered, Master and Test.



Installation Two Methods

I suggest using Monster Insights if you're a beginner. It has a simple setup process that will walk you through setting up your Google Analytics account and tracking your website.

Advanced users can install the Google Analytics code directly or use Google Tag Manager



Installing Code

Add the provided code from Google Analytics to the <head> of your website.

Most themes have an option or setting that allows you to add scripts to the head section. Check with your theme support on where this can be found.

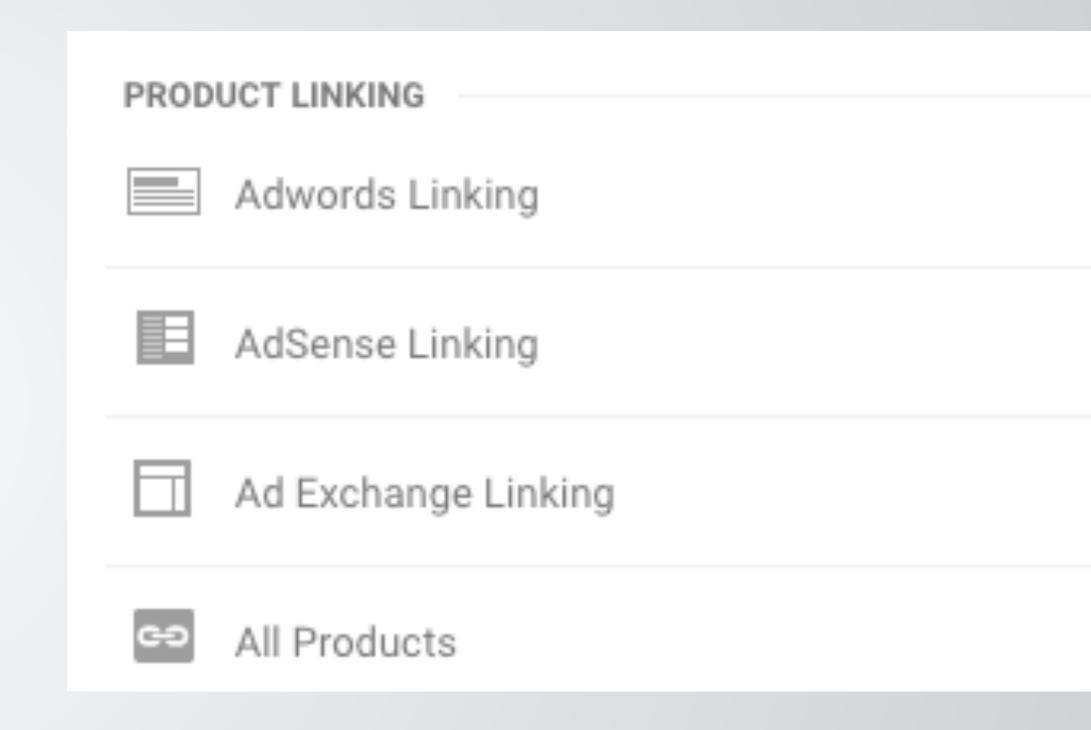
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})(window,document,'script','https://
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PRODUCT LINKING



Product Linking

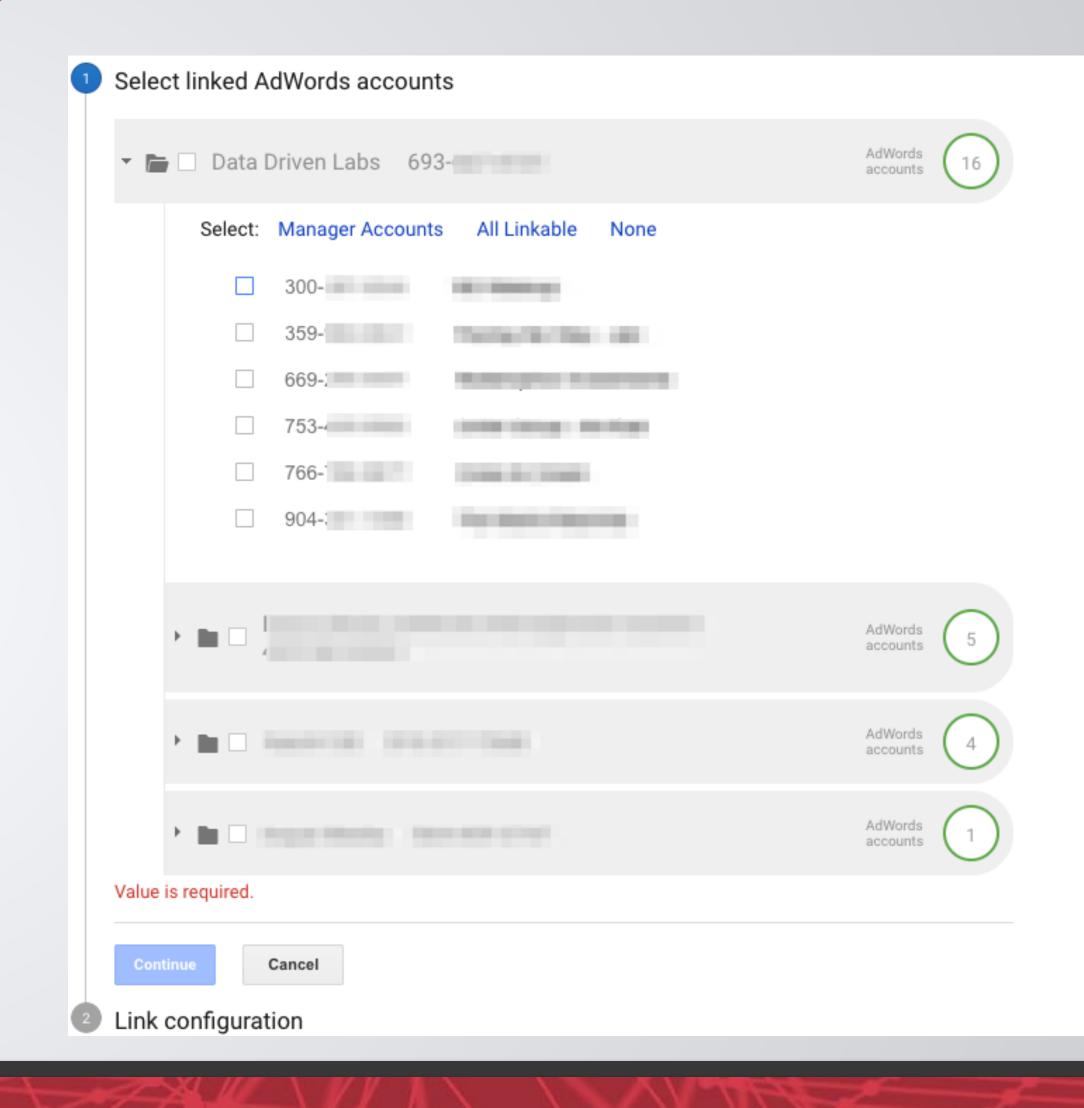
Linking your Analytics account with other Google Products is a great way to enhance your data.





Adwords

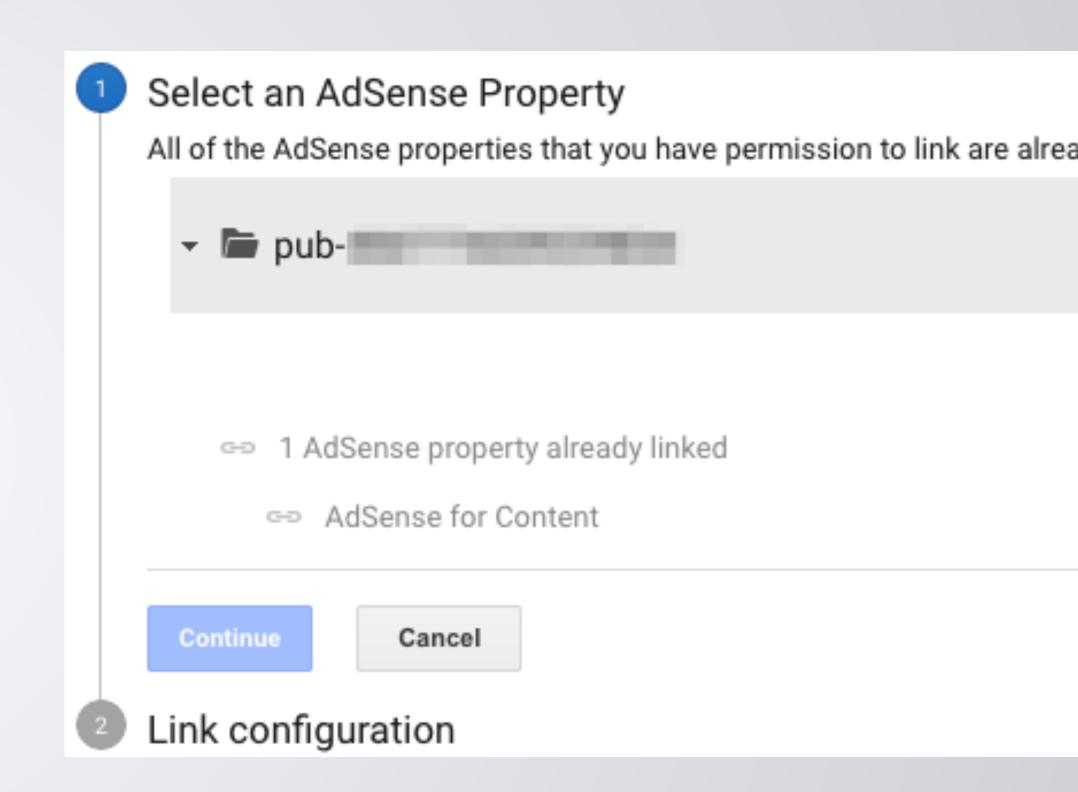
If you use Google Adwords, linking this data with your website will help you to be able to see Google Adwords data directly in your Google Analytics reports. In addition, some of your data will pull over into Google Adwords, allowing you to optimize your spend.

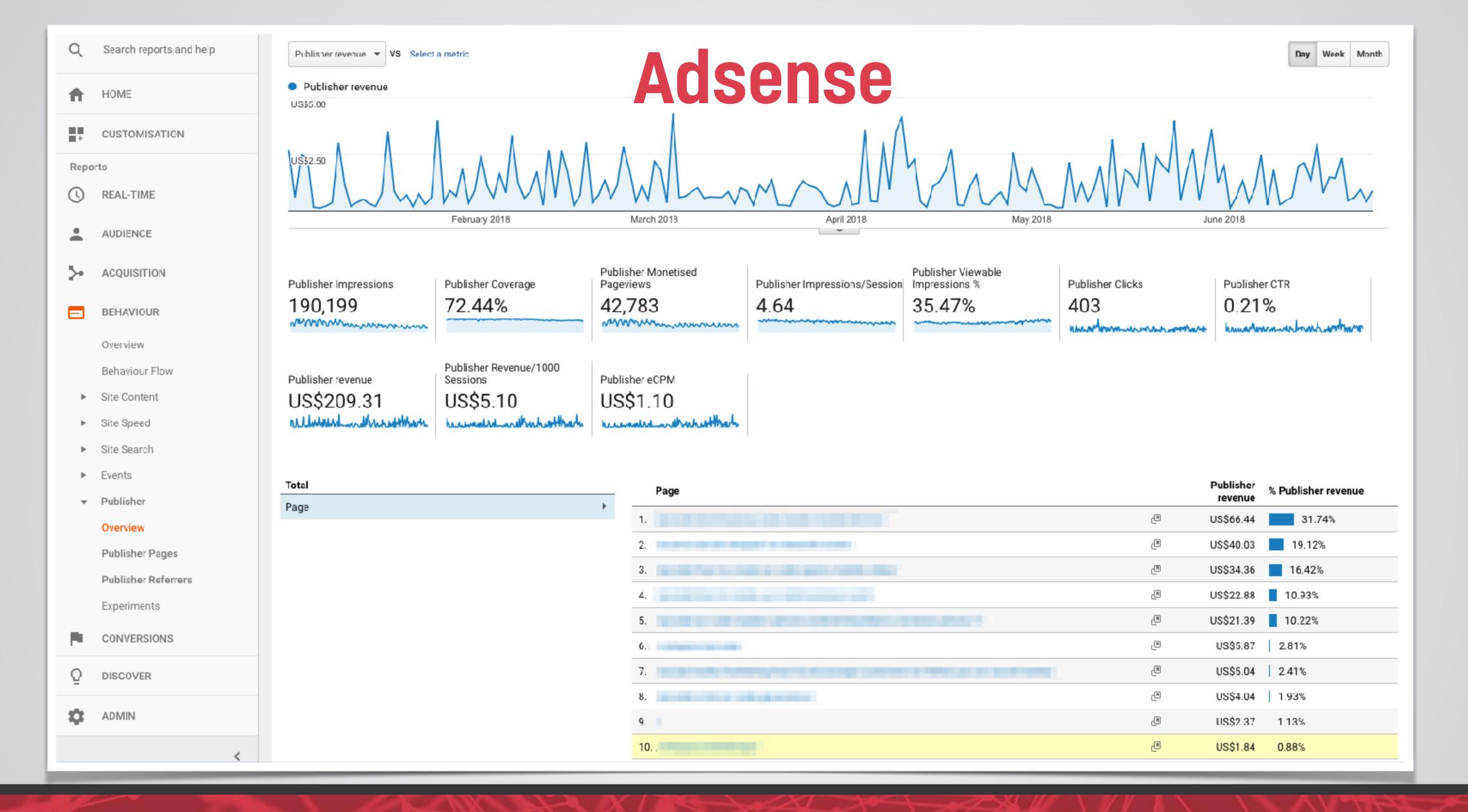




Adsense

If you monetize your website using Google Adsense, you can pull your data directly into Google Analytics reports as well.

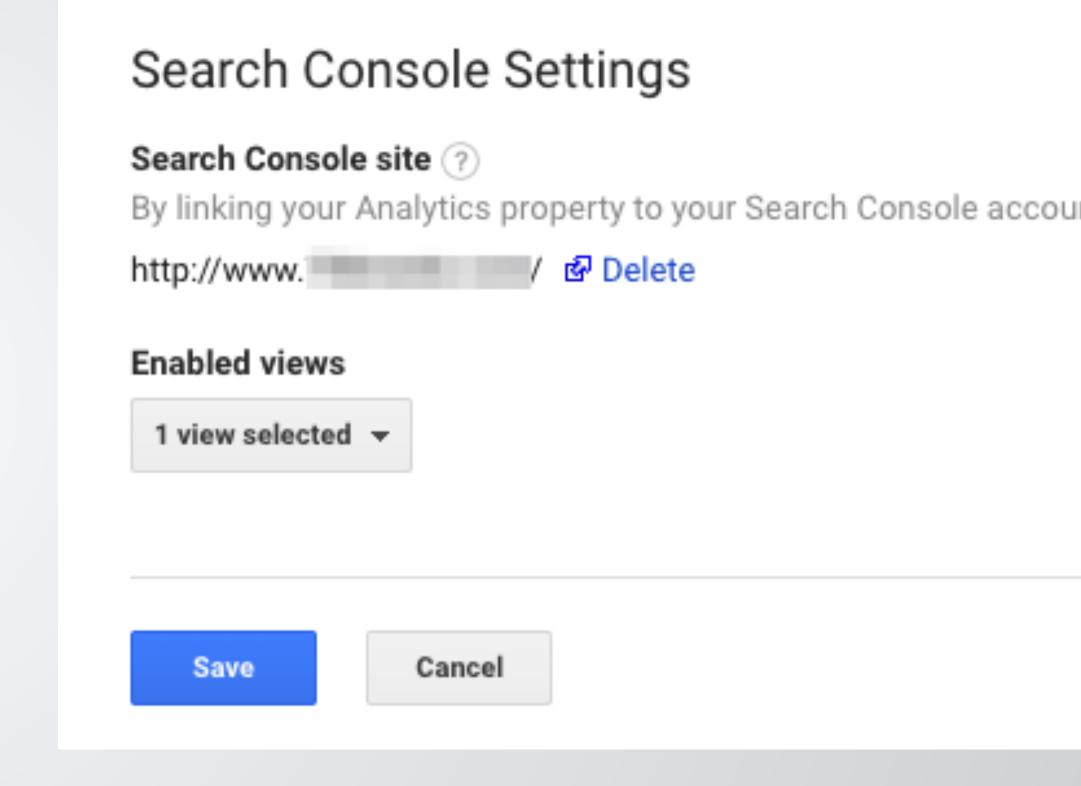






Google Search Console

Finally, link your Google Search Console to Google Analytics. This will allow you to view most data in Search Console from within Google Analytics.



REAL-TIME REPORTS



Watch The Traffic Flow

Real-Time reports allow you to view traffic in real-time to your website.

You can view what pages visitors are actively looking at, where the visitors are from, where they come from and live data on conversions and events.



REAL-TIME

Overview

Locations

Traffic Sources

Content

Events

Conversions

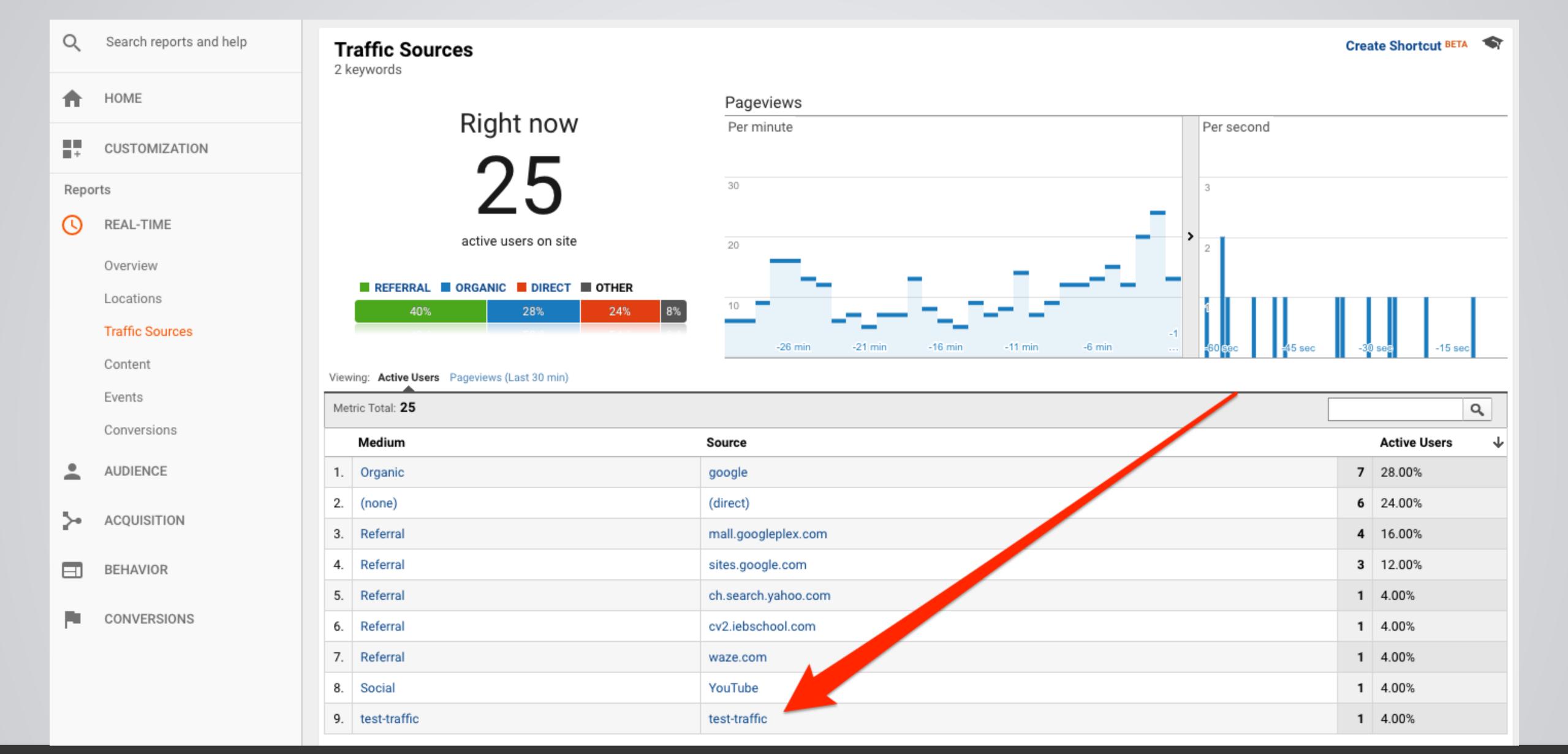
Pro Tip: Use Real-Time For Testing!

Since you can see traffic in real-time, use these reports for testing.

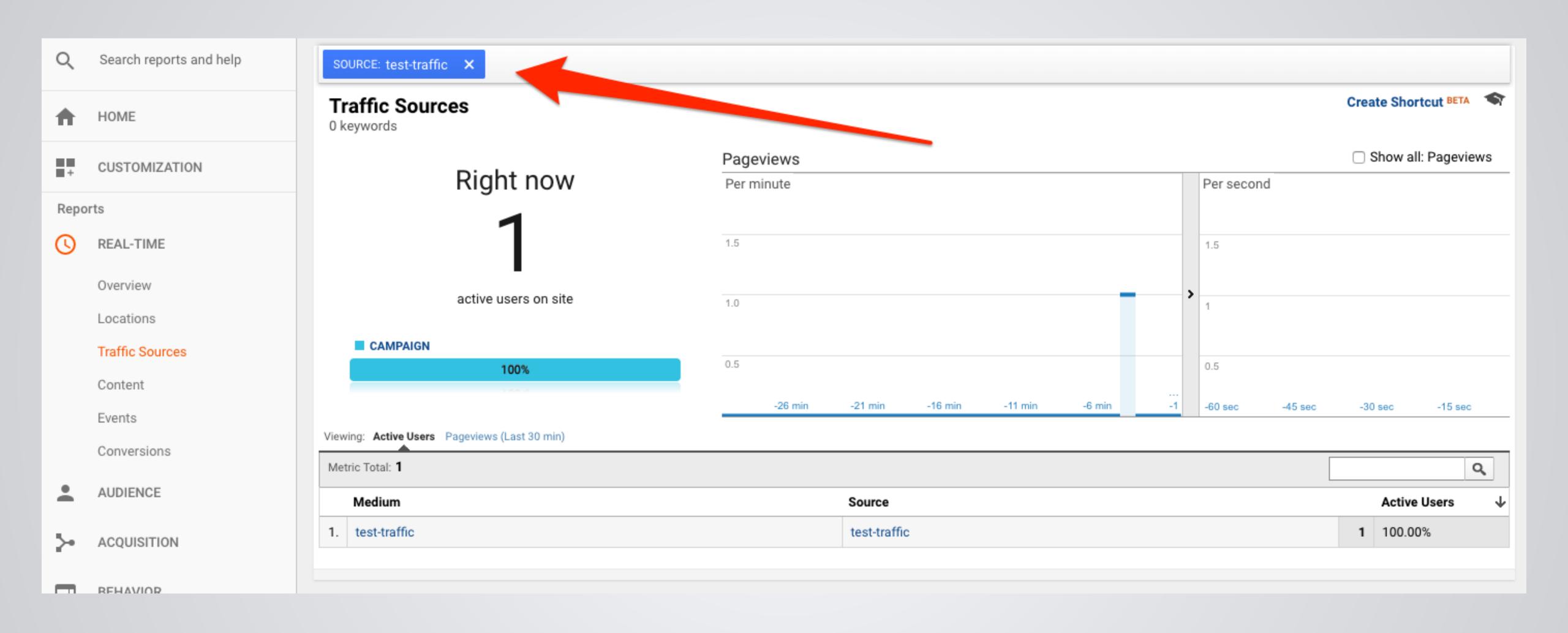
Test your events, goals, custom dimensions and just general tracking in Real-Time.

Have lots of traffic? Create a unique UTM and filter Real-Time traffic using Traffic Sources.

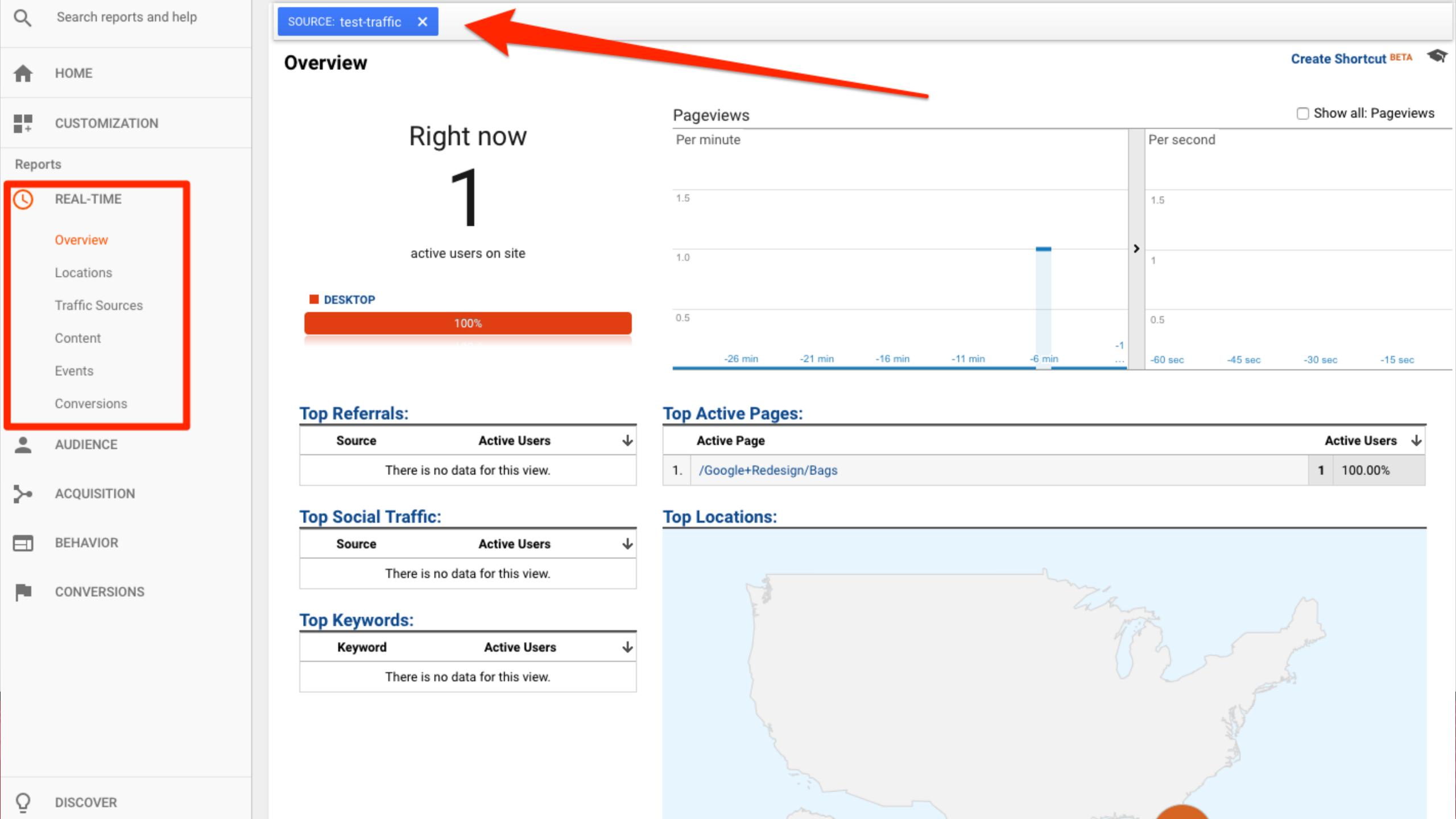






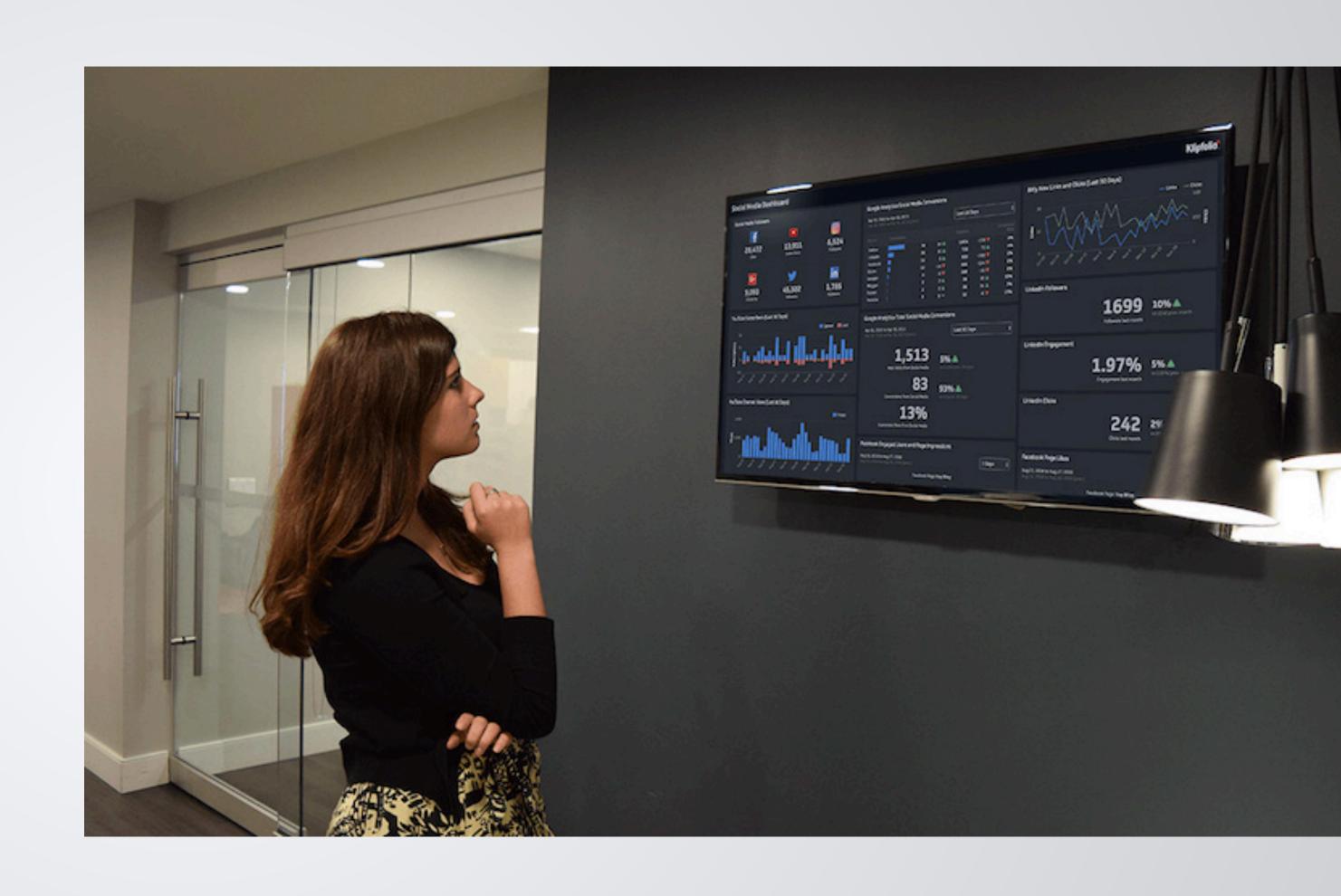






Other Uses

- Display in-office on screen
- Monitor an active campaign blast
- View trending content



AUDIENCE REPORTS



Know Your Visitors

Audience report is the largest section within Google Analytics. It has 15 sub-sections.

These sections show demographics, geo location, technology, interests and more.



AUDIENCE

Overview

Active Users

Lifetime Value BETA

Cohort Analysis BETA

Audiences NEW

User Explorer

- Demographics
- Interests
- ▶ Geo
- Behavior
- Technology
- Mobile



ACQUSITION REPORTS



Know What Channels Work

Acquisition reports are where you find out what is driving your traffic and conversions.

Here you can find information about each channel, Adwords, SEO, Social and UTMs (more about that later)



Overview

- ▶ All Traffic
- AdWords
- Search Console
- Social
- Campaigns



BEHAVIOR REPORTS



Know What Visitors Are Doing

Behavior reports are where you find out what your visitors are doing on your site.

You can see what pages they are looking at, site speed, what they are searching for and the events they are doing. (More on that later)



BEHAVIOR

Overview

Behavior Flow

- Site Content
- Site Speed
- Site Search
- Events
- Publisher

Experiments



CONVERSION REPORTS



This is what it is all about. Conversions!

Conversion reports contain our goals & conversions.

This is the most important metric as all your work drills down to making conversions. We will talk more about setting up goals in a few minutes.

- CONVERSIONS
 - Goals
 - Ecommerce
 - Multi-Channel Funnels
 - Attribution

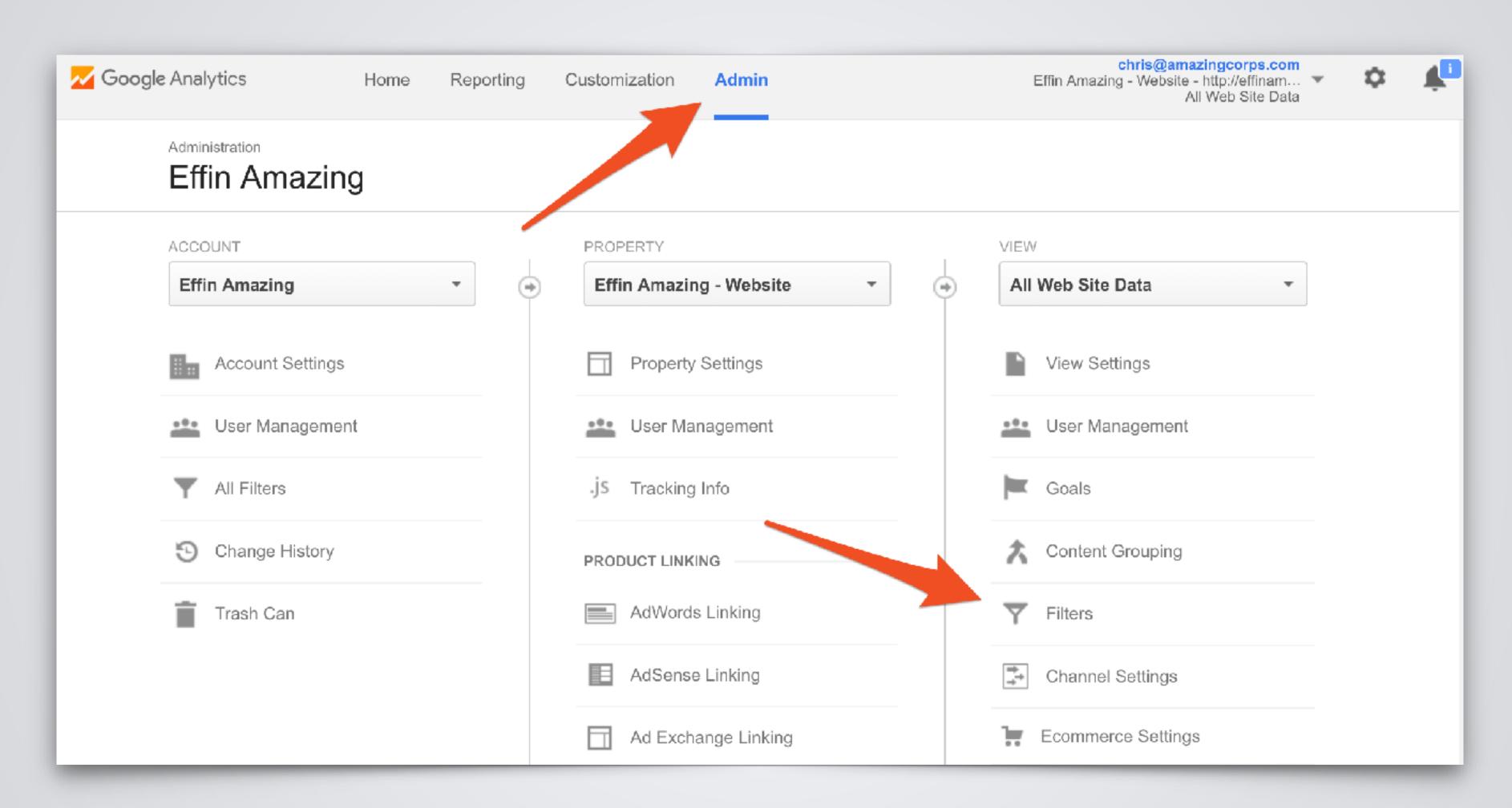
FILTERS & ADVANCED SEGMENTS

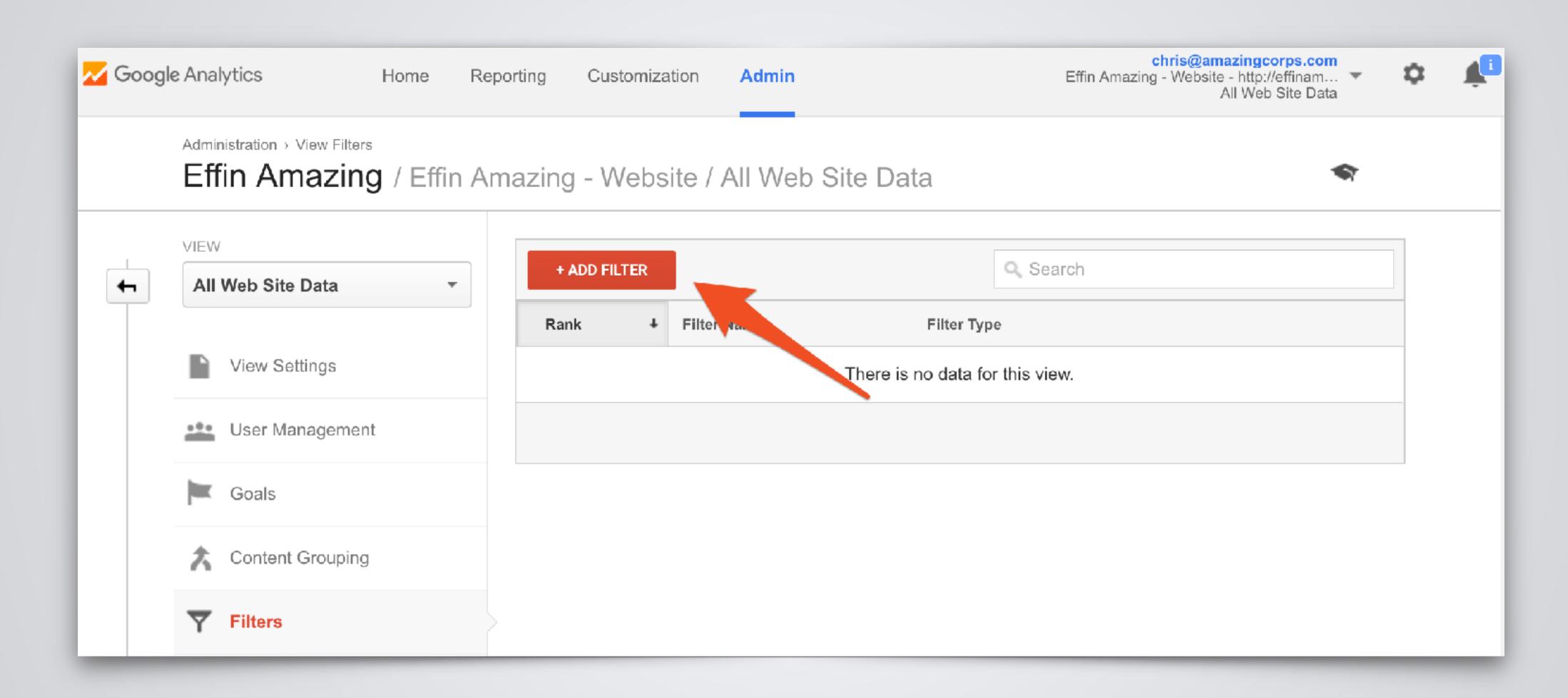


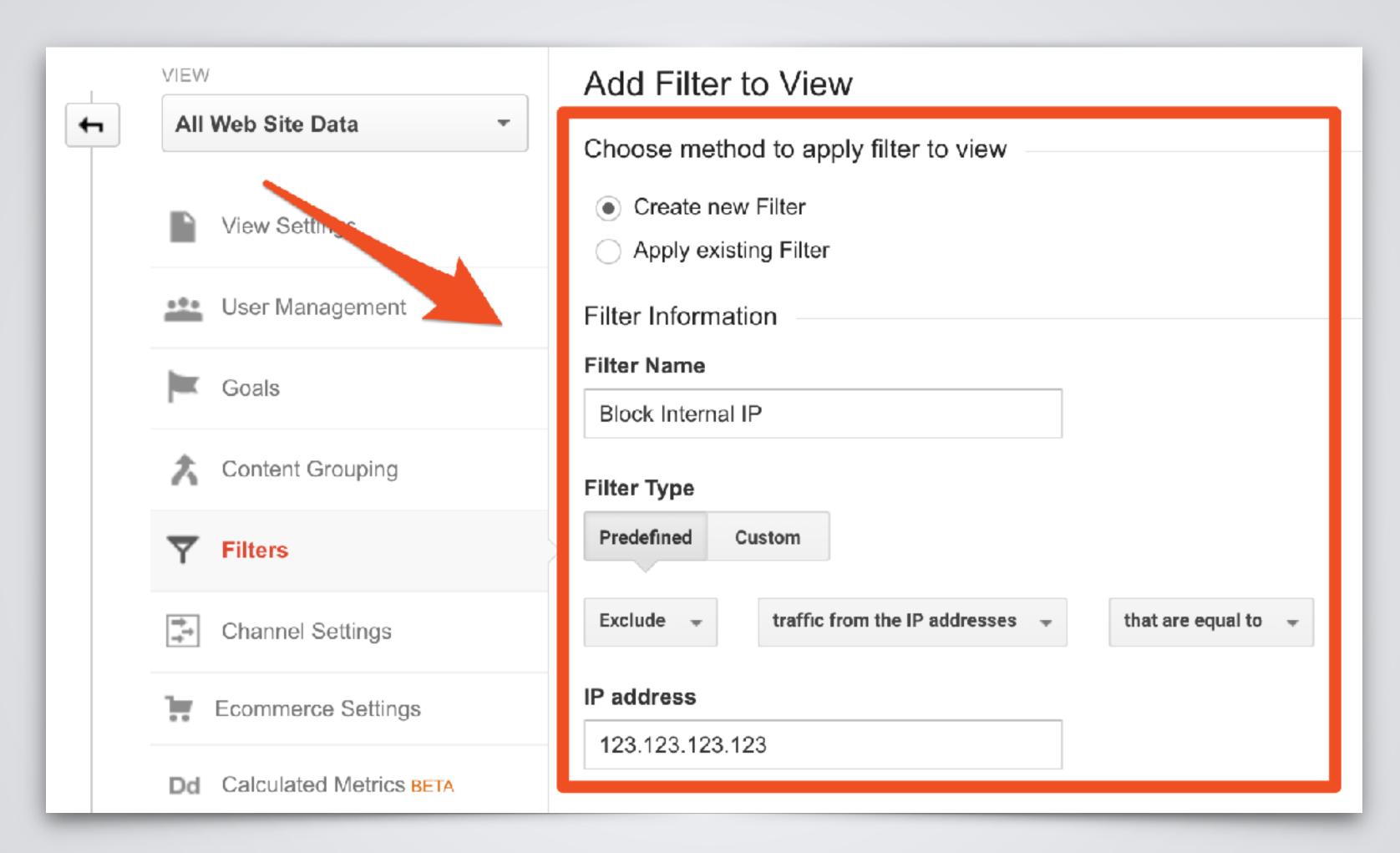
Filter vs Advanced Segments

Filter - A filter is applied to a profile view and is permanent. This stops the data from ever being saved into a profile.

Advanced Segment - An advanced segment allows you to isolate similar visitors into groups. These can be applied to any report without making permanent changes to your data.

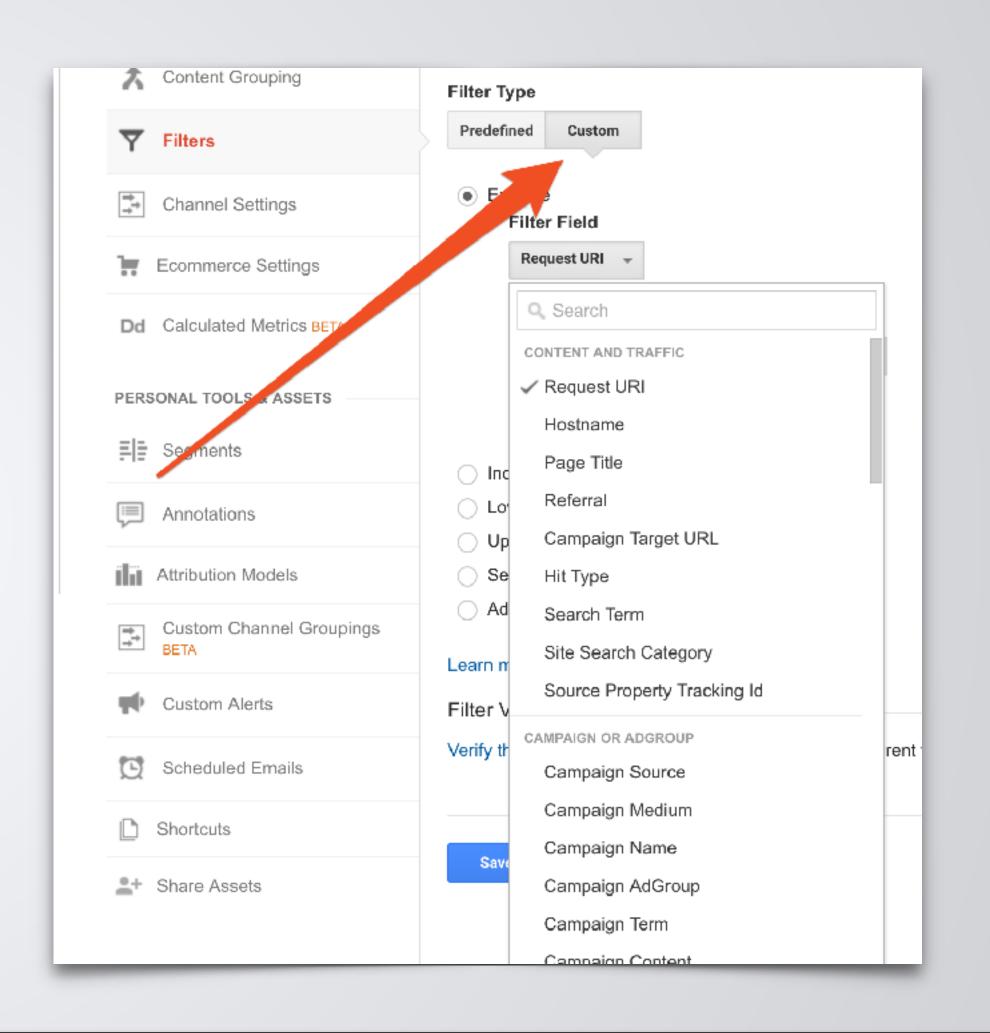






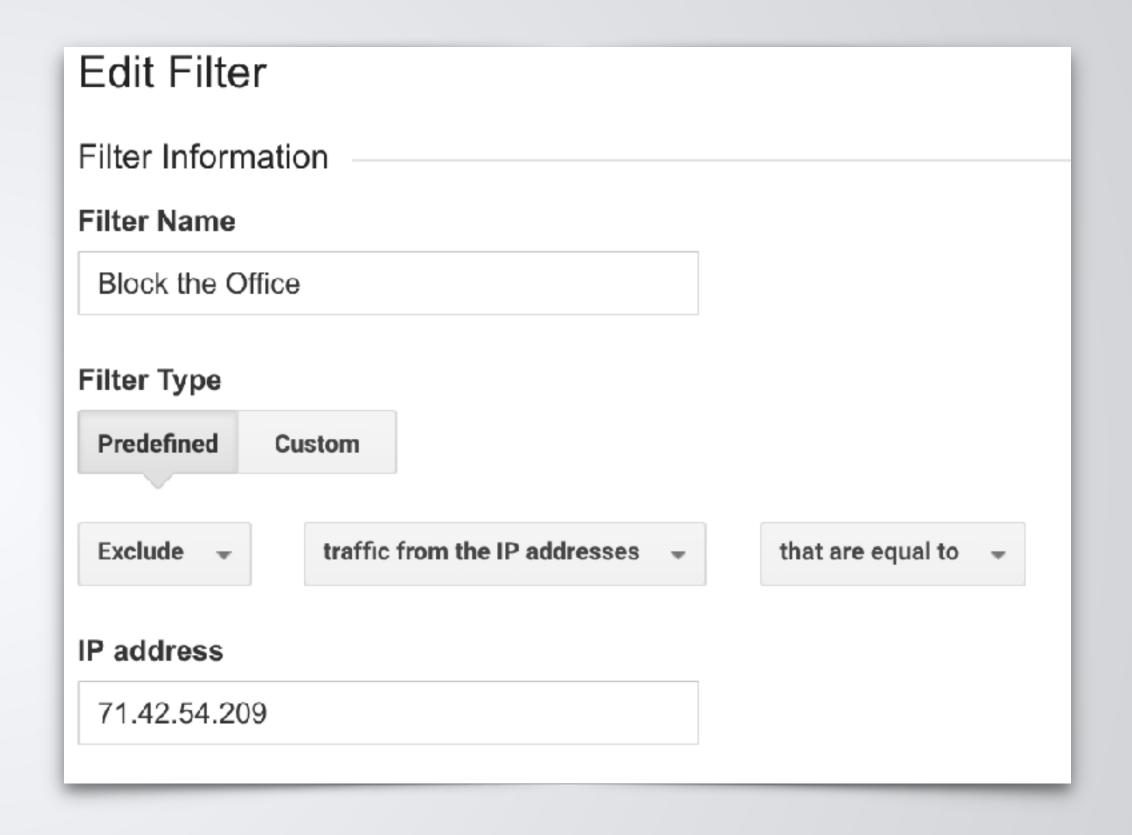
Get Custom!

Go beyond the standard predefined filters and create filters off any dimension of Google Analytics.



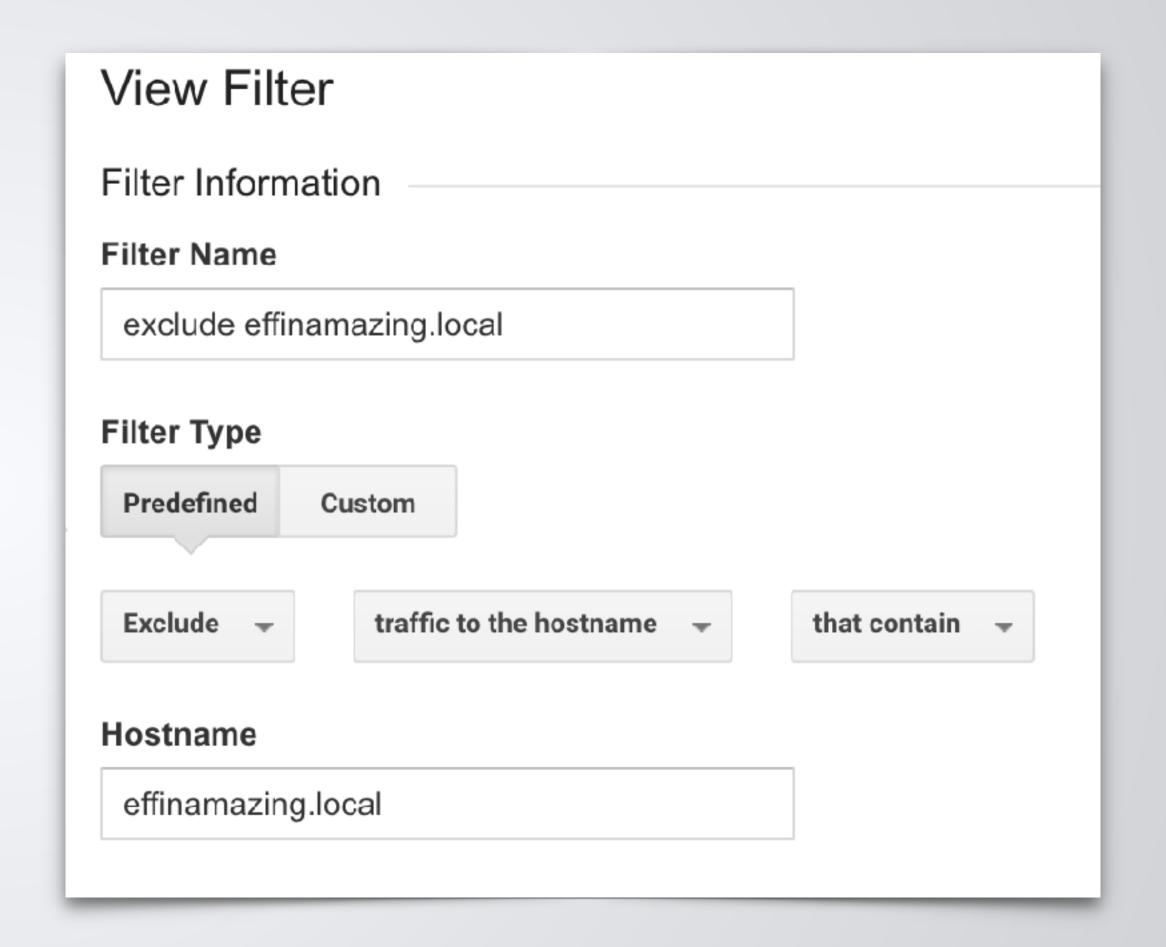
Exclude Internal Traffic

The best converting user on your site is you! Your internal team doesn't act like typical web users and will alter the metrics that are most reported, including users, sessions, and pageviews.



Exclude Development Sites

Have a development site? Exclude traffic going to that hostname.



Lowercase on Campaign Attributes

By default, UTM parameters are case sensitive in GA. Simply add 5

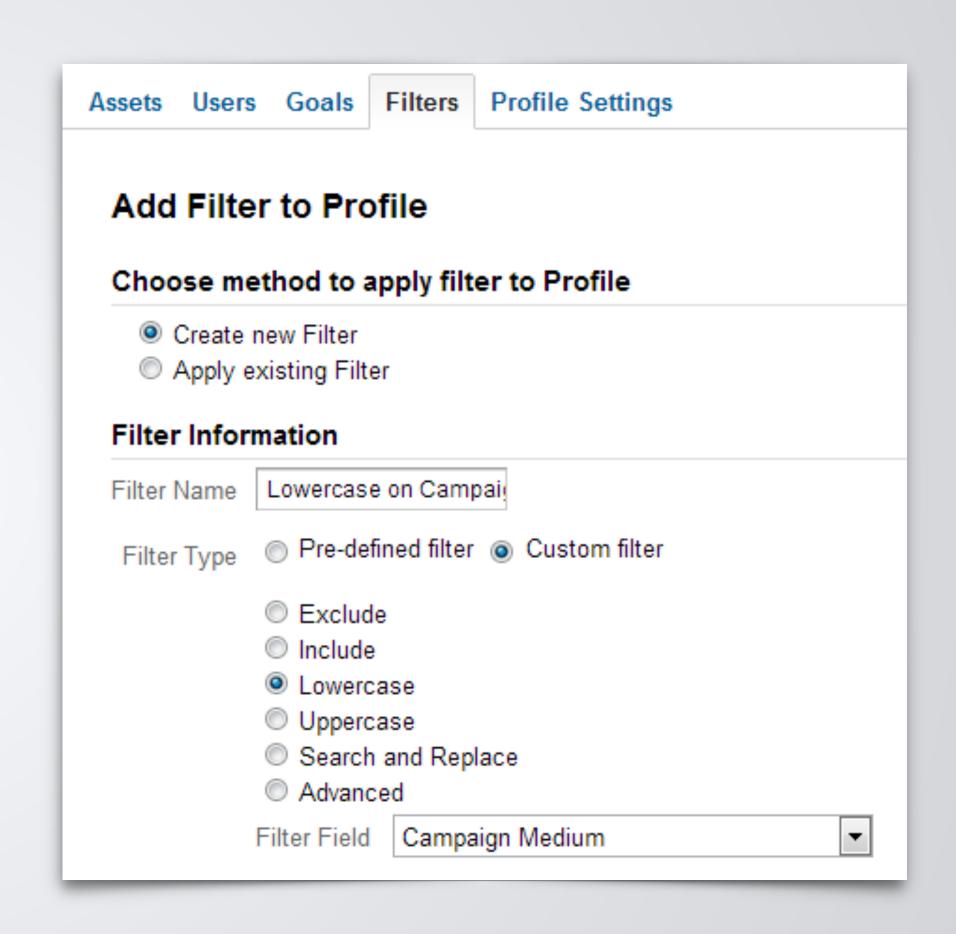
lowercase filters on the UTM

Campaign parameters: Campaign

Medium, Campaign Source,

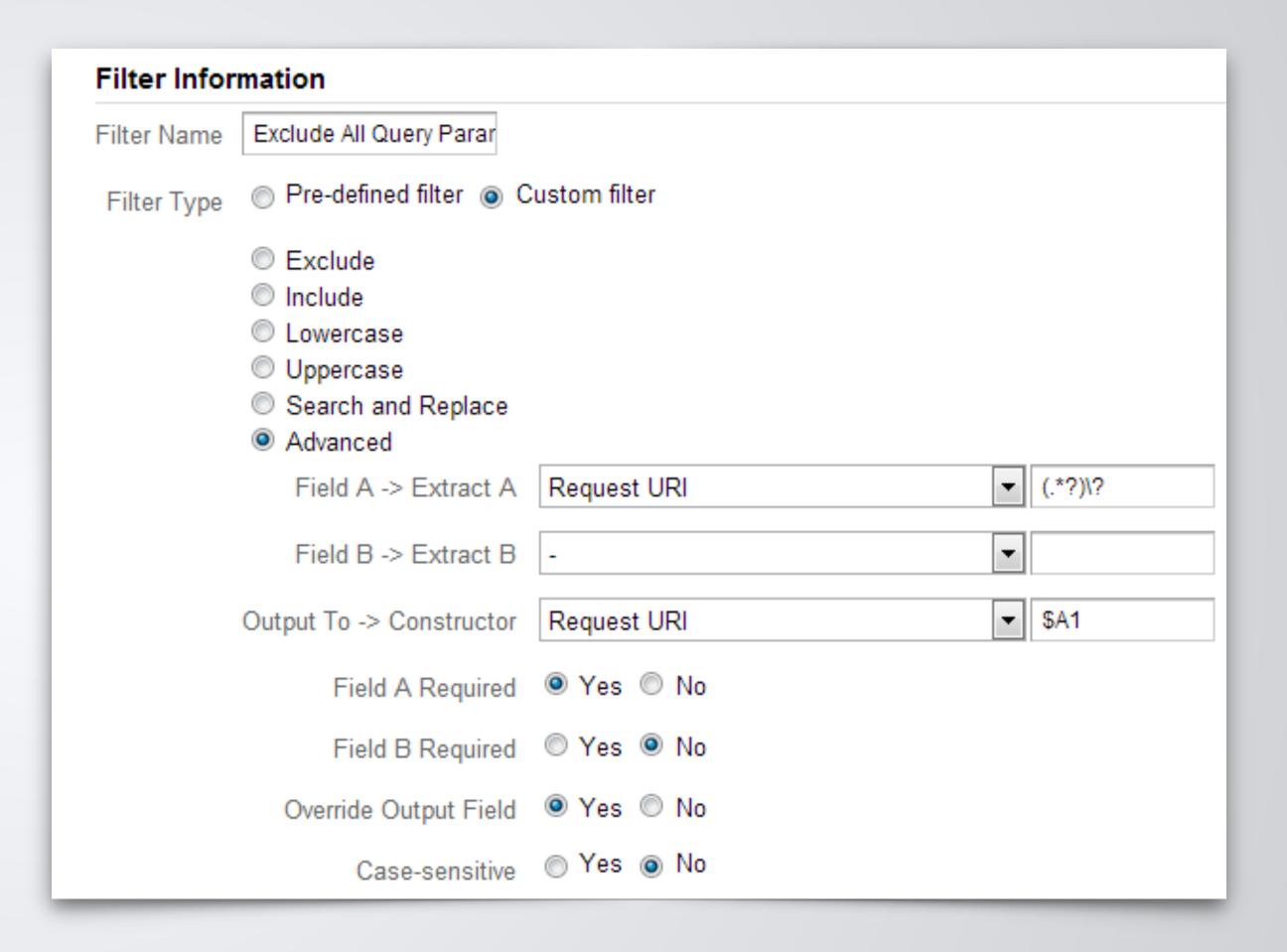
Campaign Content, Campaign Term

and Campaign Name.



Exclude All Query Parameters

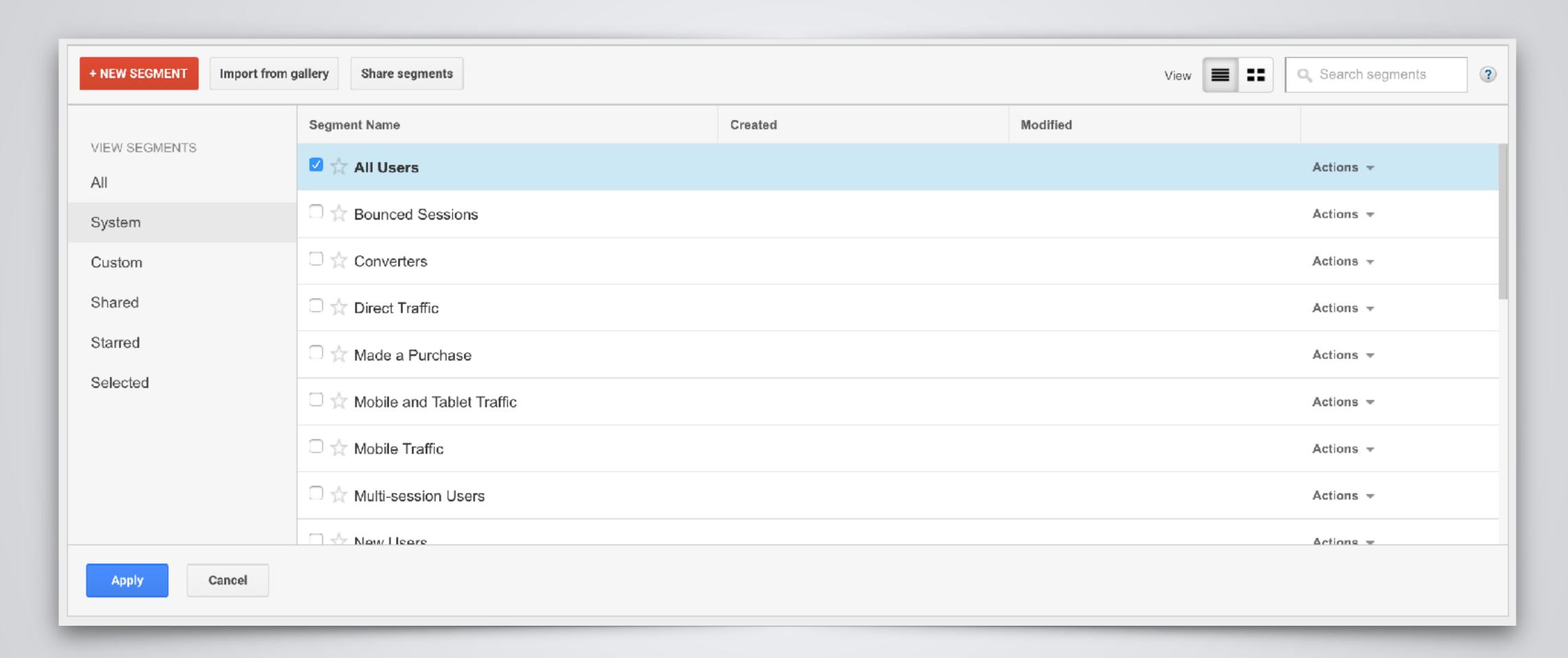
Use filters to make website.com/ order.php?id=1234 and website.com/ order.php?id=4321 show up as just order.php by excluding the query string.



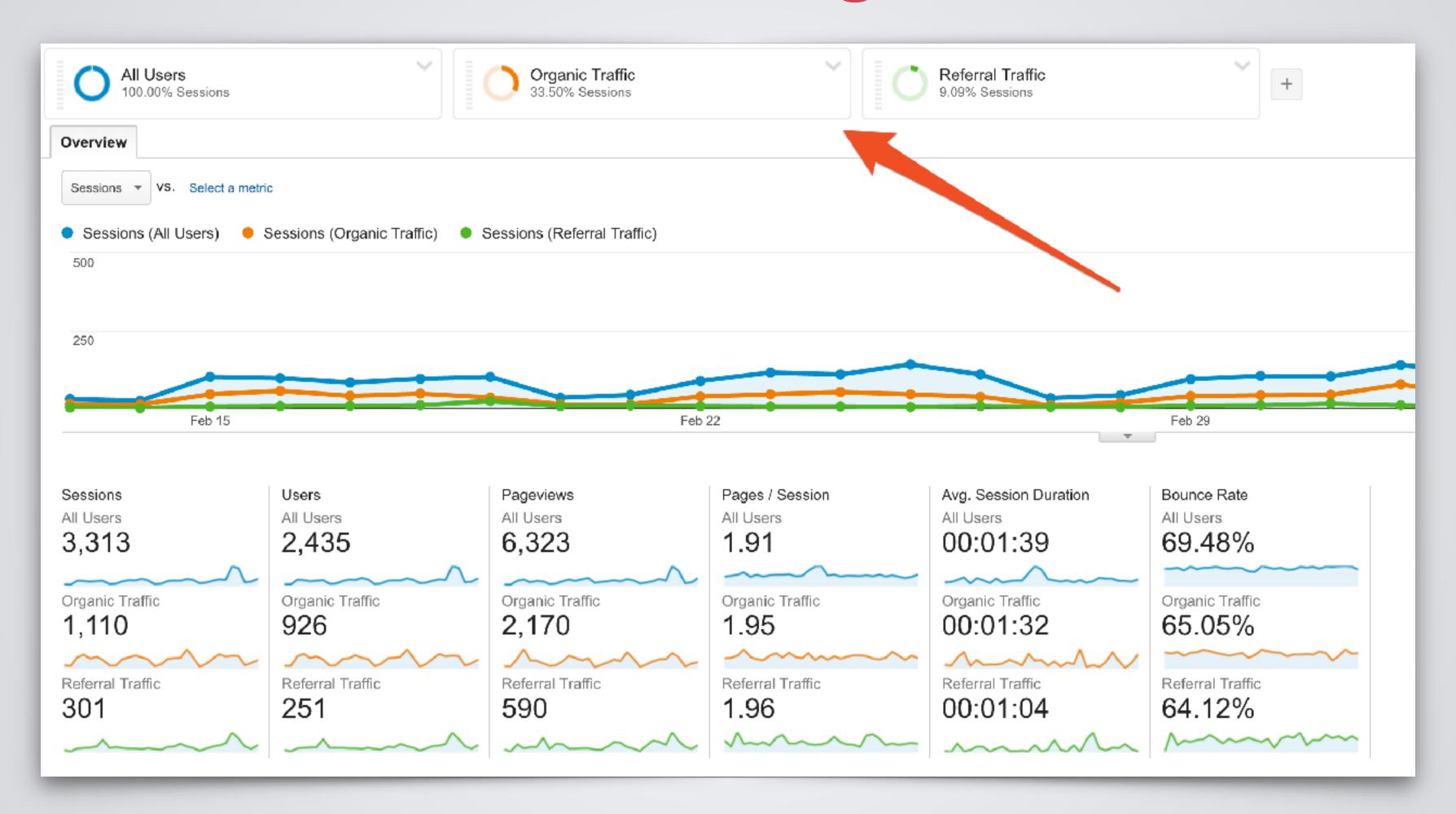
Other Filter Examples

- Include/Exclude Specific Campaign
- Lowercase on Request URI
- Attach Hostname to Request URI
 - To make page.html be domain.com/page.html
- Include Mobile Only
- Include/Exclude Traffic to Specific Subdirectory
 - •i.e. /blog/ or /shop/

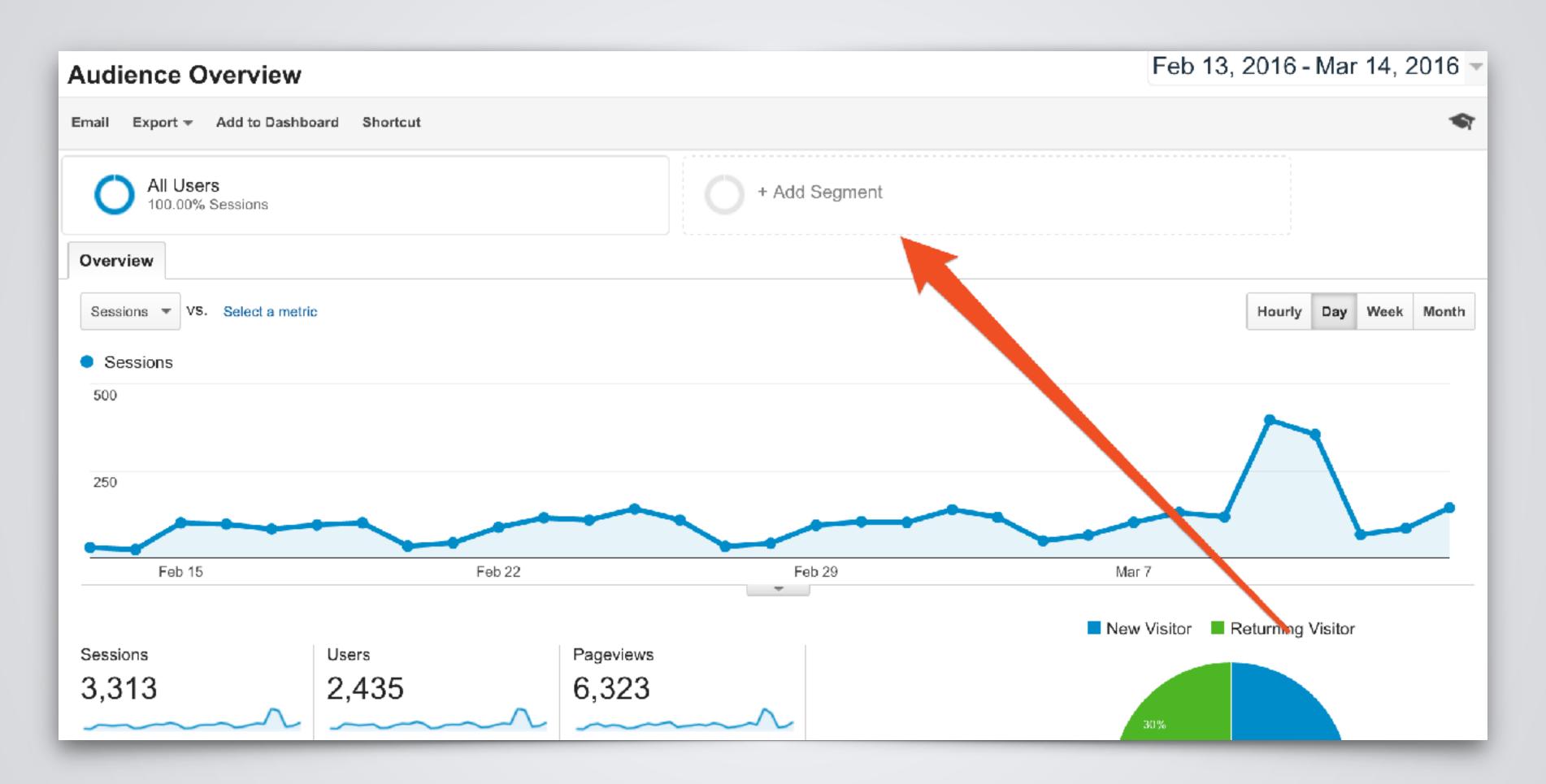
Advanced Segments



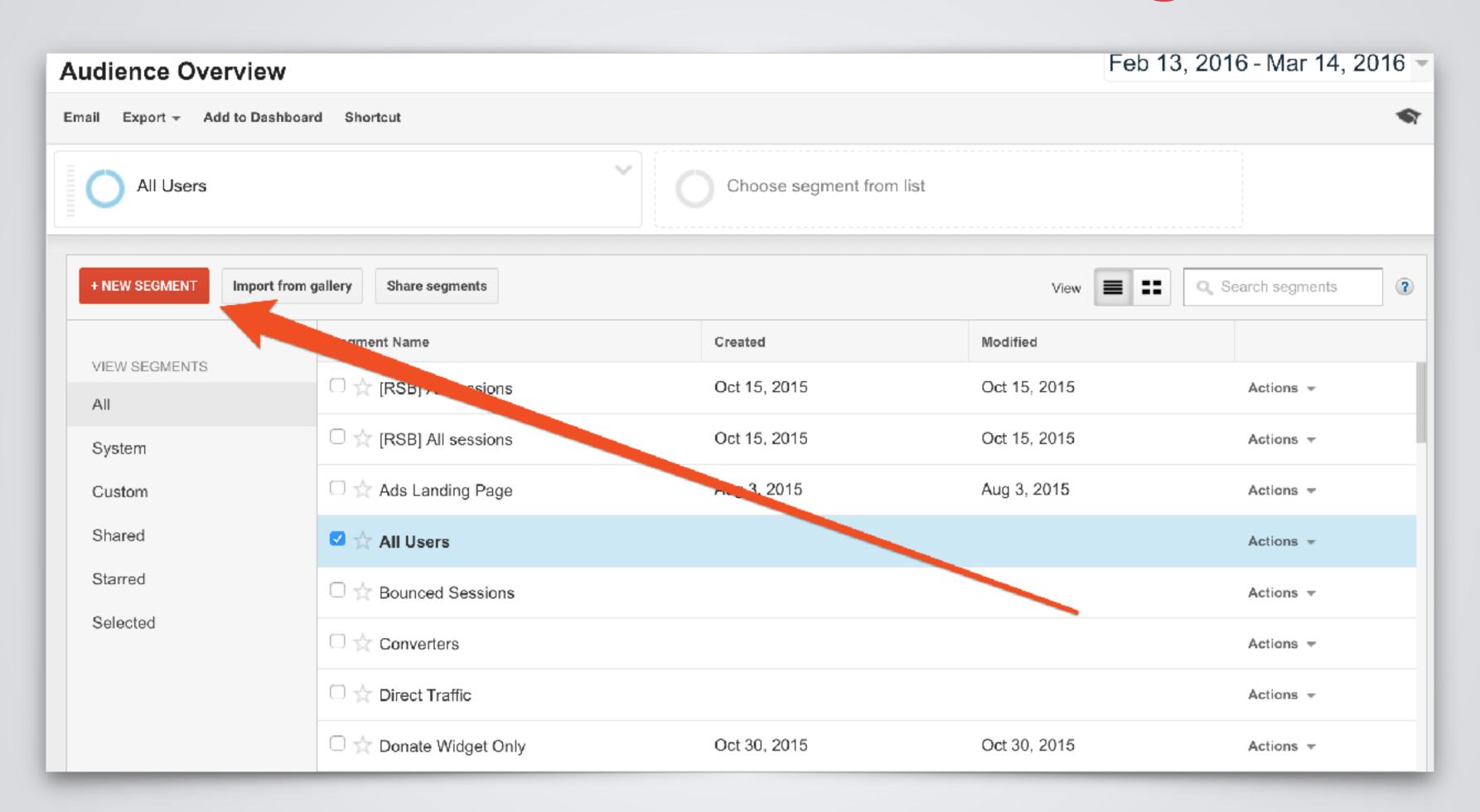
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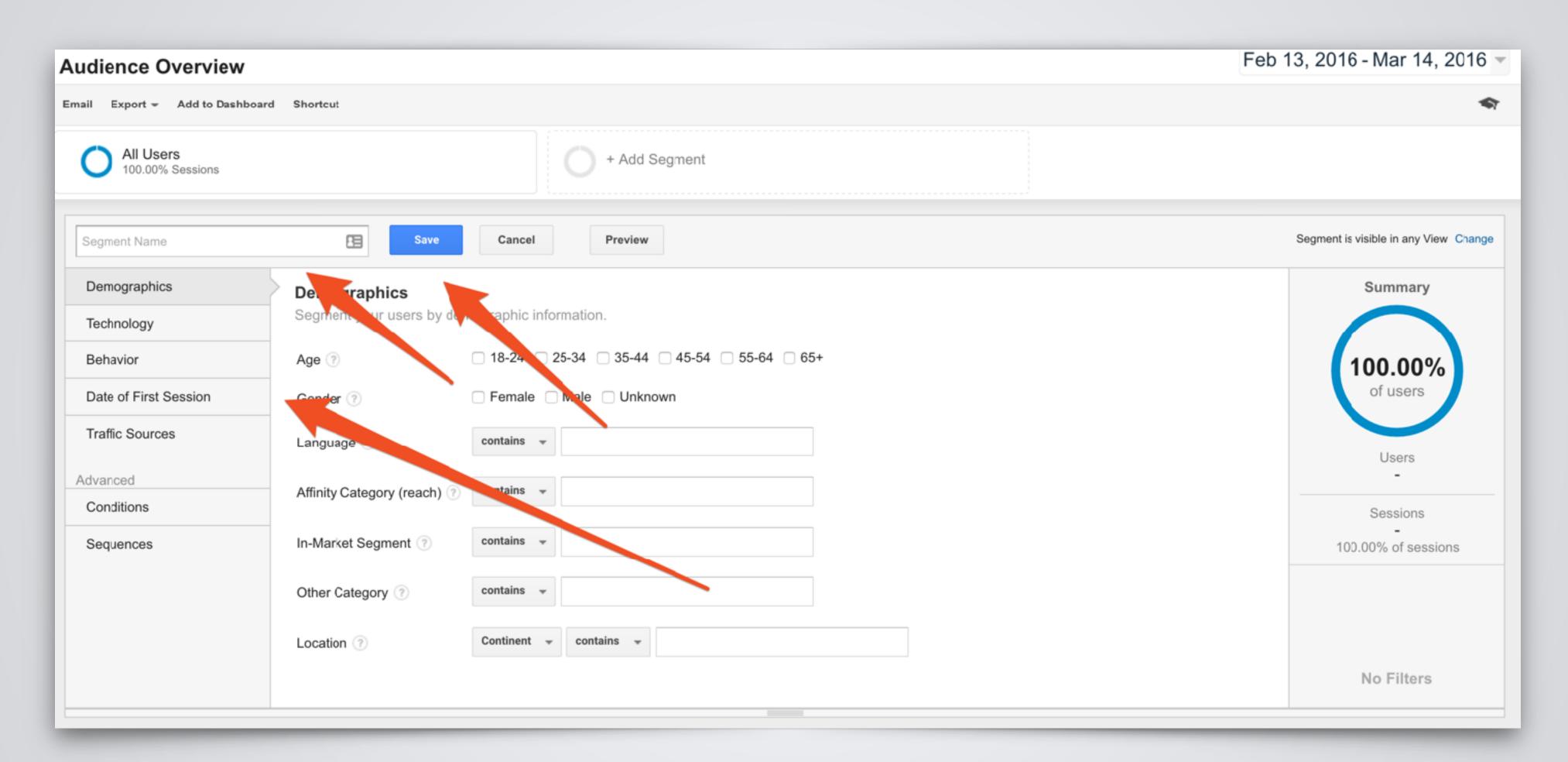
Create Custom Advanced Segments



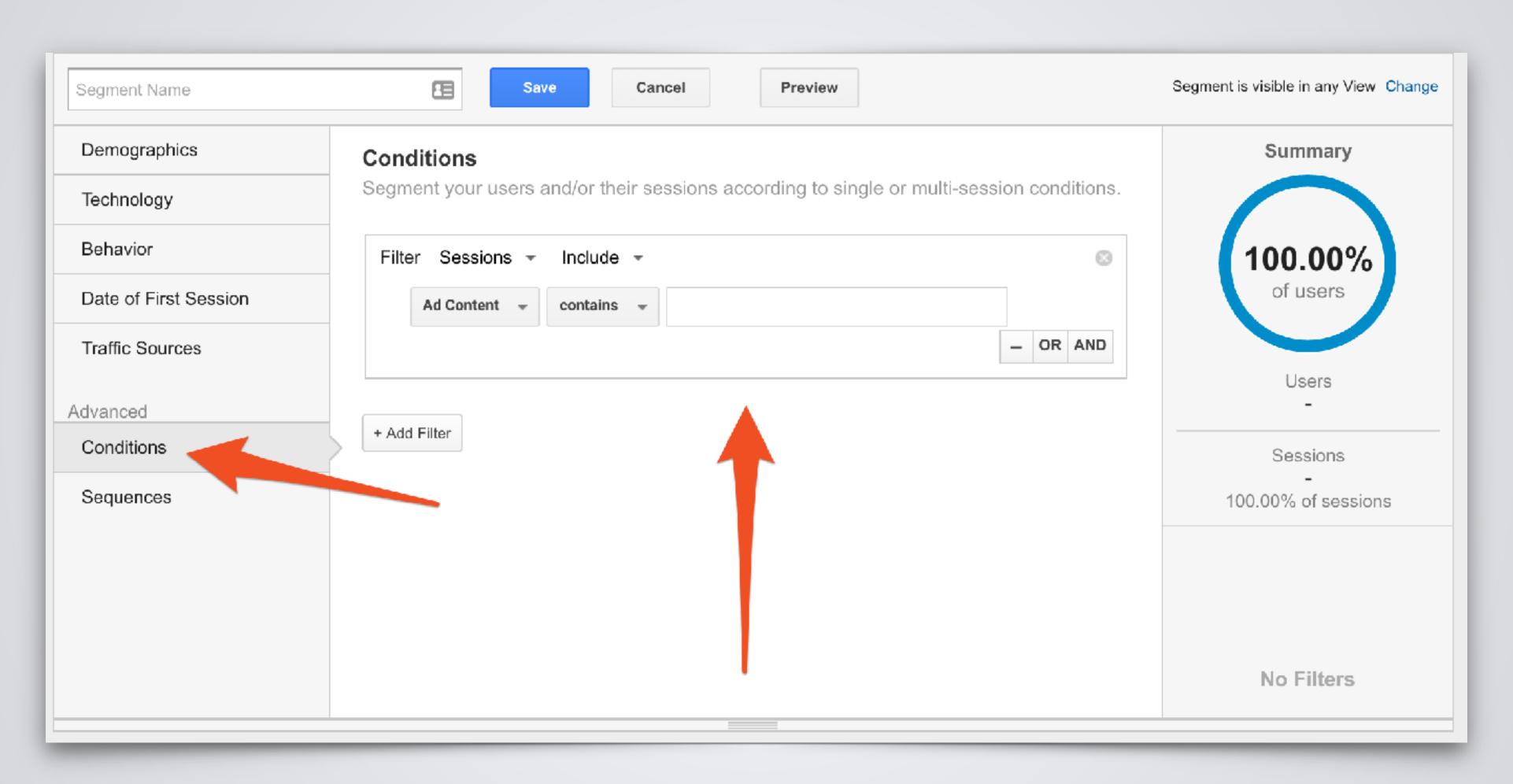
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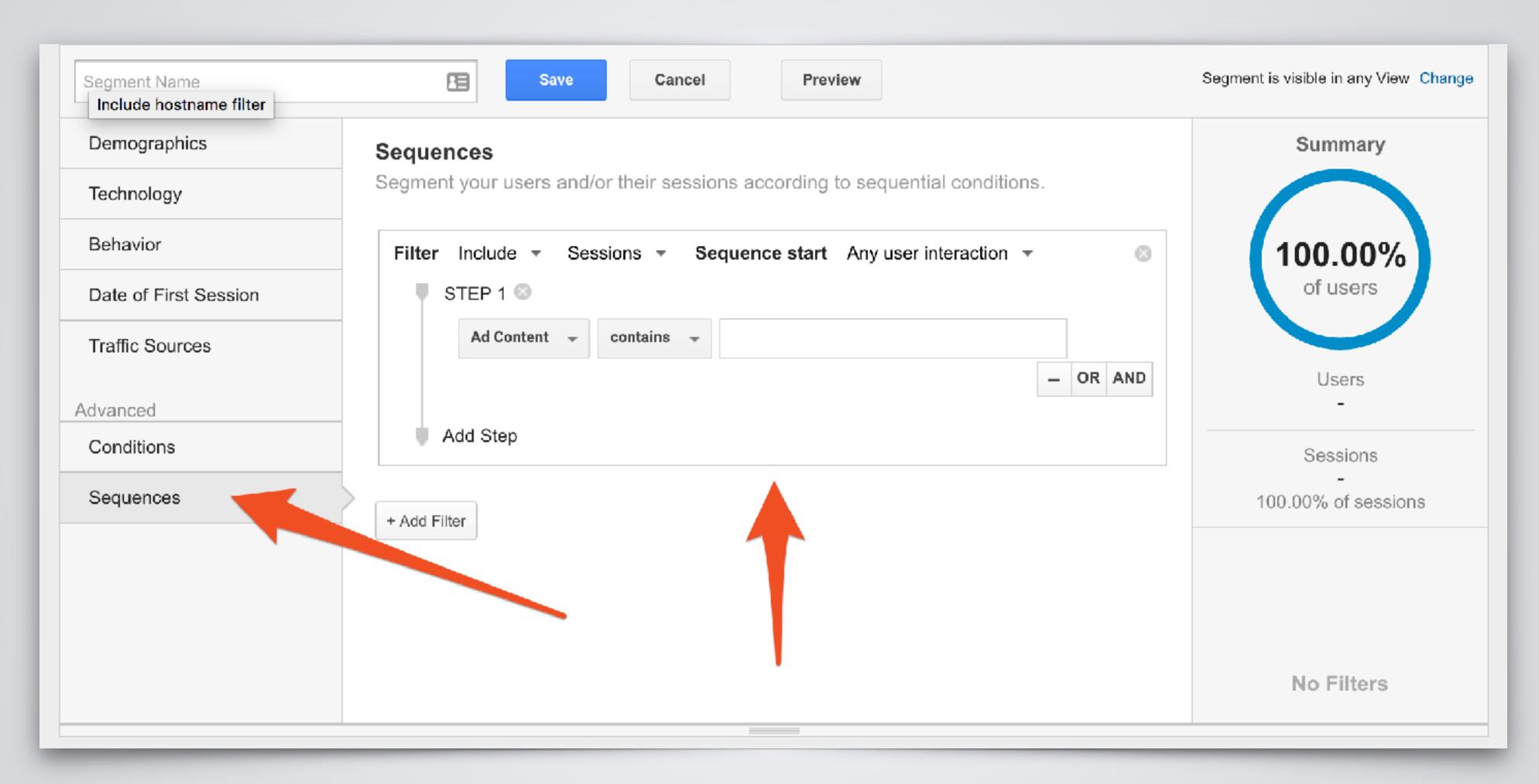
Create Custom Advanced Segments



Other Cool Things With Advanced Segments



Other Cool Things With Advanced Segments



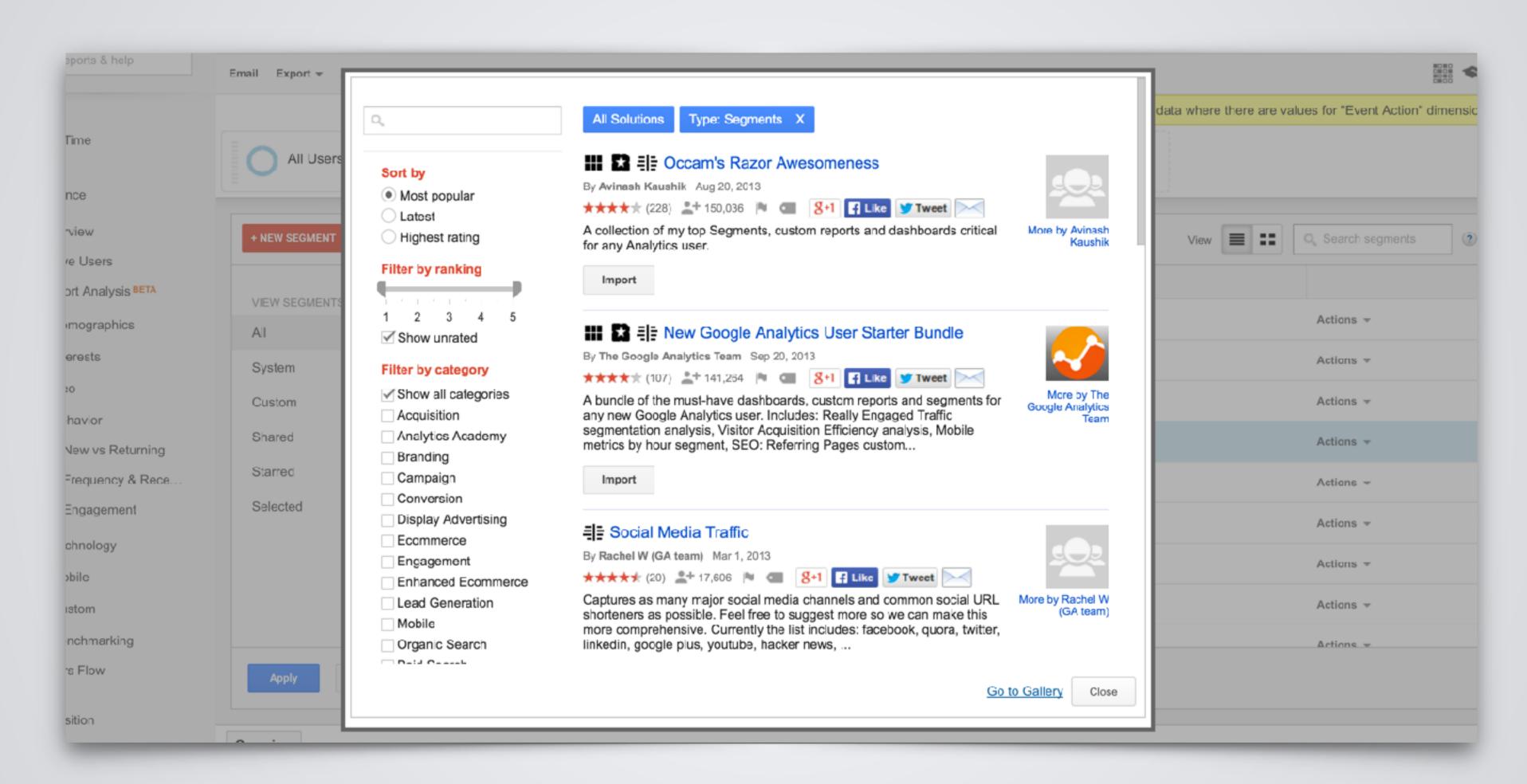
Top Ten Advanced Segment Recommendations

- 1. Segmentation by Referrer / Traffic Source
- 2. Segmentation by Visitor Type
- 3. Segmentation by Location / Geography
- 4. Segmentation by Content Viewed
- 5. Segmentation by Landing Page Type

- 6. Segmentation by Action Taken
- 7. Segmentation by Value
- 8. Segmentation by Demographics
- 9. Segmentation by Engagement
- 10. Segmentation By Technology



Advanced Segments Gallery



EVENTTRACKING



What is Event Tracking?

Events are user interactions with content that can be tracked independently from a web page or a screen load.

Downloads, mobile ad clicks, gadgets, Flash elements, AJAX embedded elements, and video plays are all examples of actions you might want to track as Events.

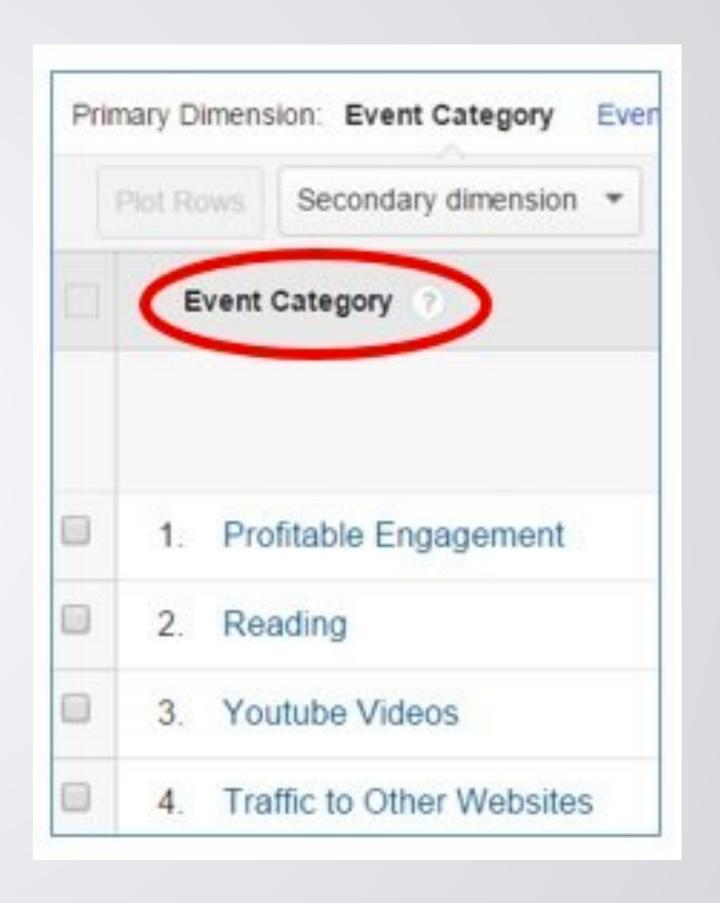
Event Tracking

Top Events		Event Action	Total Events	% Total Events
Event Category		1. copy	5,575	95.19%
Event Action	>	2. addnew	223	3.81%
Event Label		3. save	59	1.01%

Prim	nary Dimension: Event Action Event Label Other				
Plot Rows Secondary dimension ▼ Sort Type: Default ▼			Q advanced ⊞ ⊕ E ₹ IIII		
	Event Action ?	Total Events →	Unique Events ?	Event Value ?	Avg. Value ?
		5,634 % of Total: 96.19% (5,857)	1,741 % of Total: 9.58% (18,166)	0 % of Total: 0.00% (0)	0.00 Avg for View: 0.00 (0.00%)
	1. copy	5,575 (98.95%)	1,724 (98.35%)	O (0.00%)	0.00
0	2. save	59 (1.05%)	29 (1.65%)	O (0.00%)	0.00

Event Tracking - Category

The event category is the name assigned to the group of similar events.



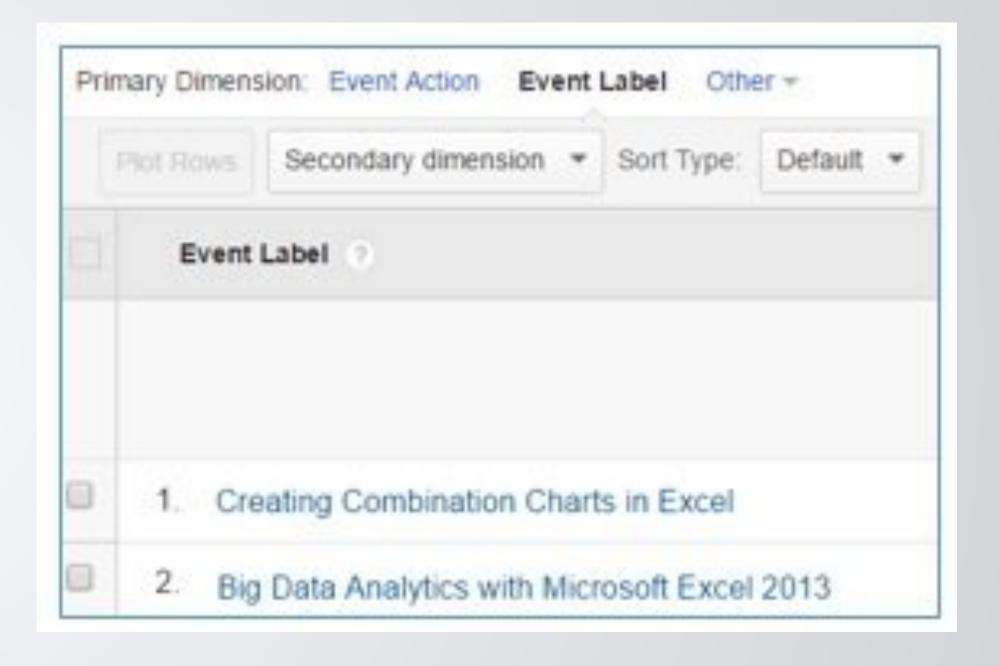
Event Tracking - Action

The event action is the type of event you want to track. This can be "click" or "sign up" or even player state if you were tracking the progress of a video.



Event Tracking - Label

The event label the name of the element you are tracking. This is often confused with category. An example would be the name of the video or the name of the CTA form they filled out.



Event Tracking JavaScript

Implementation

ga('send', 'event', [eventCategory], [eventAction], [eventLabel], [eventValue], [fieldsObject]);

Field Name	Value Type	Required	Description
eventCategory	text	yes	Typically the object that was interacted with (e.g. 'Video')
eventAction	text	yes	The type of interaction (e.g. 'play')
eventLabel	text	no	Useful for categorizing events (e.g. 'Fall Campaign')
eventValue	integer	no	A numeric value associated with the event (e.g. 42)

Example

ga('send', 'event', 'Videos', 'play', 'Fall Campaign');



GOAL TRACKING



What is Goal Tracking?

Goals measure how well your site or app fulfills your target objectives. A Goal represents a completed activity, called a conversion, that contributes to the success of your business.

Examples of Goals include making a purchase (for an ecommerce site), completing a game level (for a mobile gaming app), or submitting a contact information form (for a marketing or lead generation site).



Types of Goal Tracking

URL Destination Goals - Tracks visits to a URL.

Visit Duration Goals - How long people stay on your site.

Pages/Visit Goals - Number of pages visited.

Event Goals - Goals based off the firing of an event using event tracking.

Know Important Metrics!

Leads

Trial signups

Account creations

Newsletter signups

White paper downloads

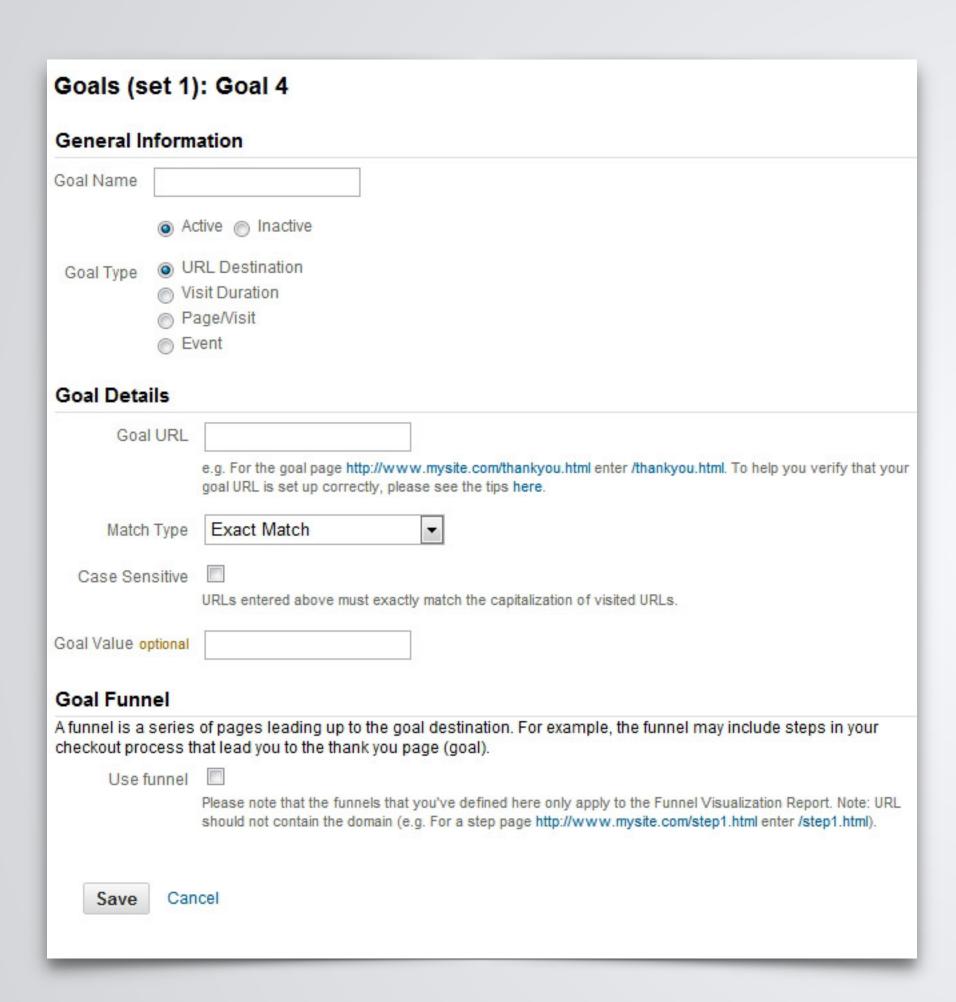
Ebook downloads

Remember: You're

limited to 20 goals total!



Destination Based & Event Based



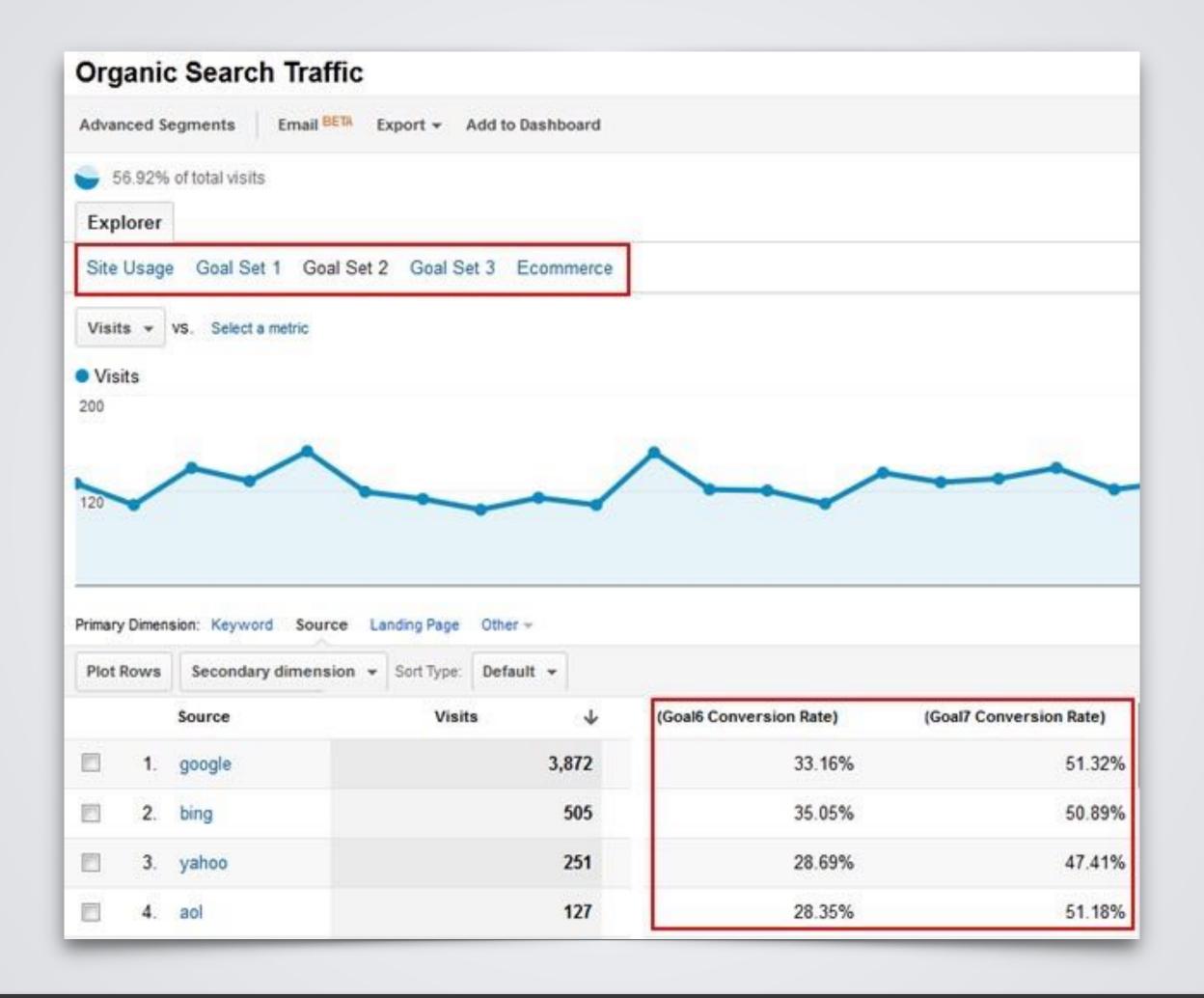
Goal Name		
	Active Inactive	
Goal Type	URL Destination	
	Visit Duration	
	Event	
Goal Deta	ile.	
0.000		
1. Configure	a combination of one or more event conditions from the list below	
Category	- Select - ▼	
Action [- Select -	
Label	- Select -	
Value [- Select -	
2. For an ev	ent that meets the above conditions set the following goal value	
	Use the actual Event Value	
Goal Value	Use a constant value	
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Goal Value

Assign a value for each goal. This should not be your only way of tracking revenue.

Goal values can be useful when looking for the ROI on specific campaigns, referrals, social sources and more.

Conversion Rate

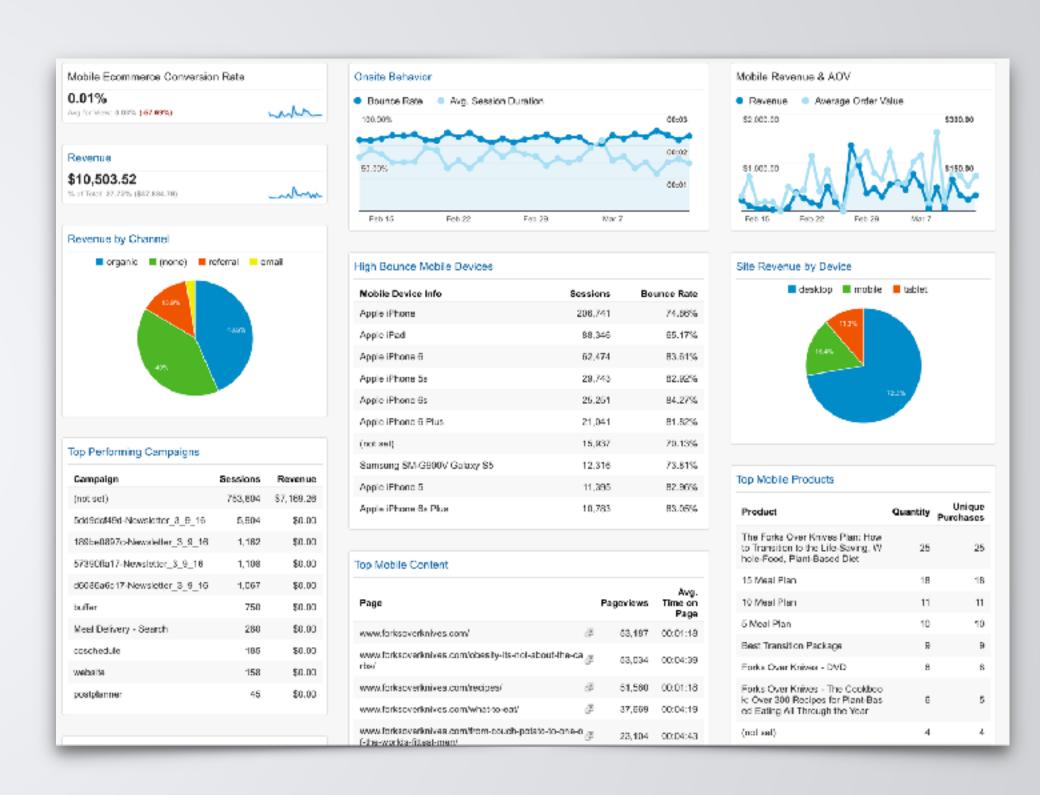


CUSTOM DASHBOARDS



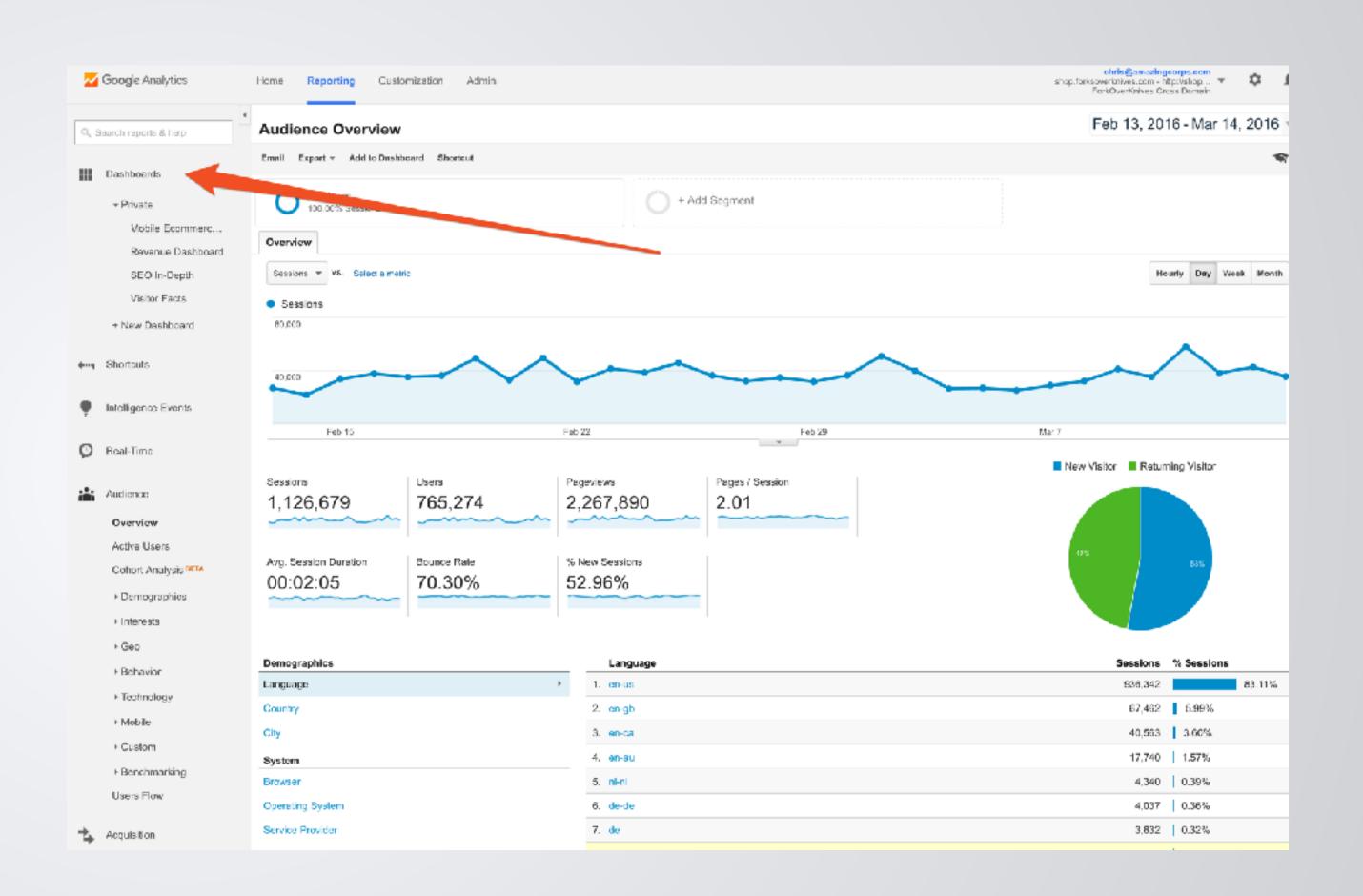
Custom Dashboards

Dashboards are a collection of widgets that give you an overview of the reports and metrics you care about most. Dashboards let you monitor many metrics at once, so you can quickly check the health of your accounts or see correlations between different reports.



Custom Dashboards

To access dashboards, a user needs to navigate to the property view, select the Reporting tab, and then select Dashboards.



Custom Dashboard Examples

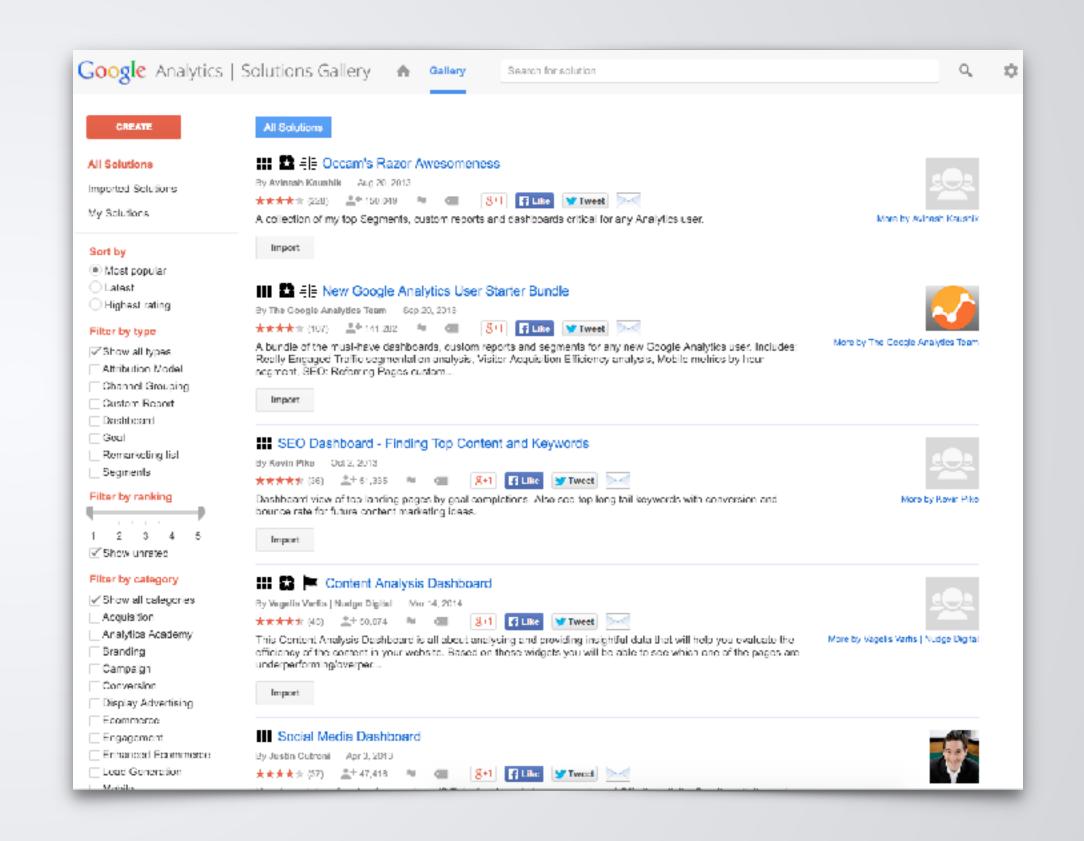
- •Goals & Conversions
- Different SEO Dashboards
- Social Media Dashboard
- Visitor Facts Dashboard
- Ecommerce Dashboard
- Mobile Dashboard

Google Analytics Solutions Gallery

Pre-Built items that can be imported to your Google Analytics account.

- Segments
- Dashboards
- Custom Reports
- •Goals
- And More

Google.com/Analytics/Gallery



TRACKING ROI WITH UTMS



Know What Drove Traffic!

Without UTMs, you can already see the referral source of your traffic, but you do not know which campaign, which tweet, which email actually drove the traffic.

UTMs allow you to know exactly what is working and where to spend more marketing dollars.

DEFINITION

A UTM (Urchin Tracking Module) is a group of tags appended to the end of a URL. When these tags are appended, it allows you track the specifics of your source.

EXAMPLE

http://cesquared.com/?

utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=product&utm_content=mixpanel&utm_term=segmentation



http://cesquared.com/?
utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=product&utm_co
ntent=mixpanel&utm_term=segmentation

LET'S BREAK IT DOWN

Website URL: http://cesquared.com

Campaign Source: google

Campaign Medium: cpc

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Campaign Name

?utm_campaign=product

This acts as the identifier for a specific campaign, product or offering that you're driving traffic to.

EXAMPLES

spring-sale social10152015 product

your promo code (25off)



Campaign Source

?utm_source=google

This is the referrer of the traffic to your page. This is normally the website, platform or tool you posted your link on.

EXAMPLES

Google Mailchimp

Facebook Outbrain

Twitter Reddit



Campaign Medium

?utm_medium=cpc

This is the marketing medium that referred the traffic. Unlike the source, it tracks the type of traffic.

EXAMPLES

cpc post

banner-ad tweet

email article-link



Campaign Content

?utm_content=mixpanel

This is an optional part of a UTM, but allows you to easily differentiate between ads on the same channel. Good for A/B testing ad copy.

EXAMPLES

content-a

content-b



Campaign Term

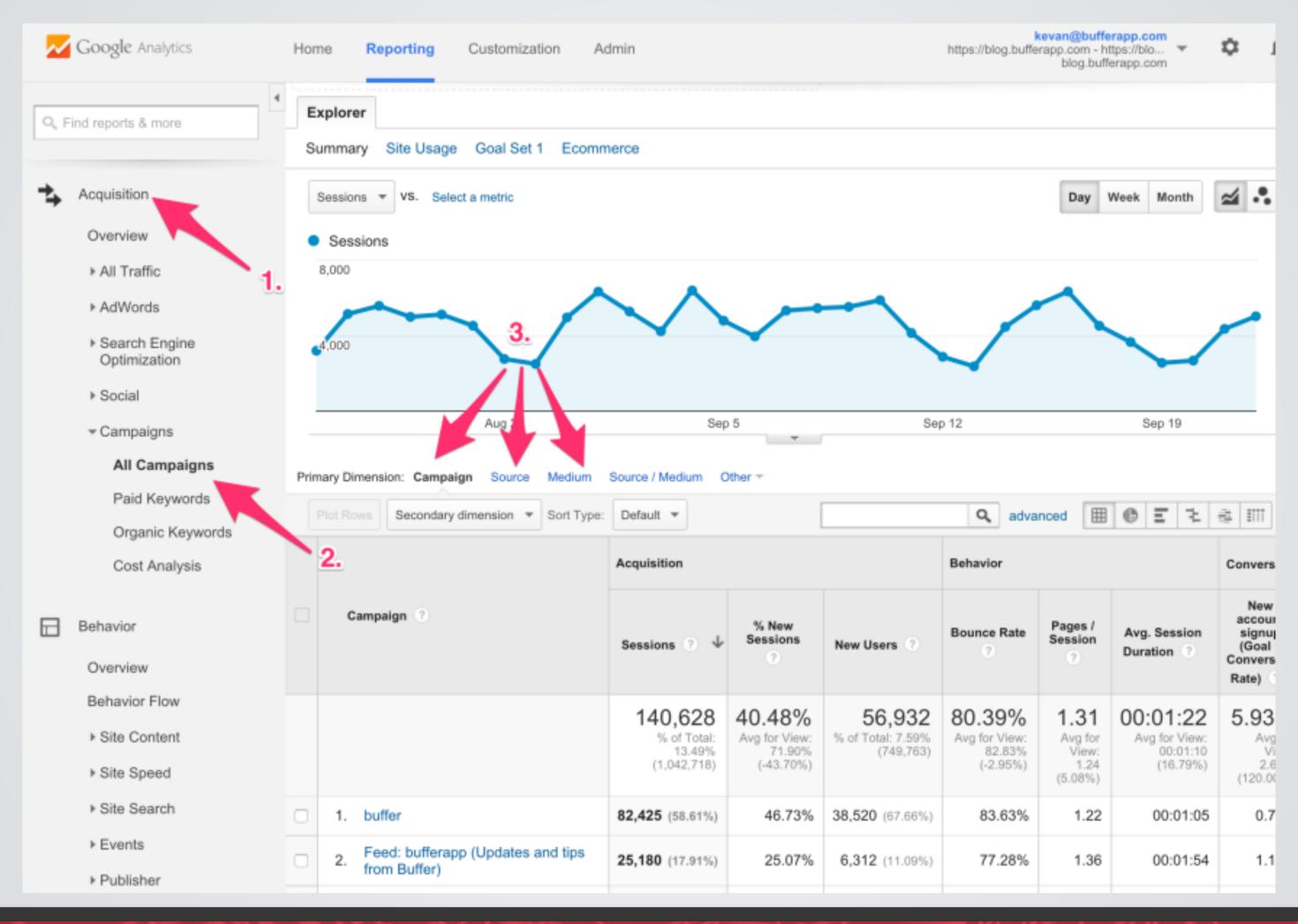
?utm_term=segmentation

This is also an optional part of a UTM, but allows you to easily differentiate between different ad keywords.

EXAMPLES

Your Key Word

See Campaign Info in Google Analytics



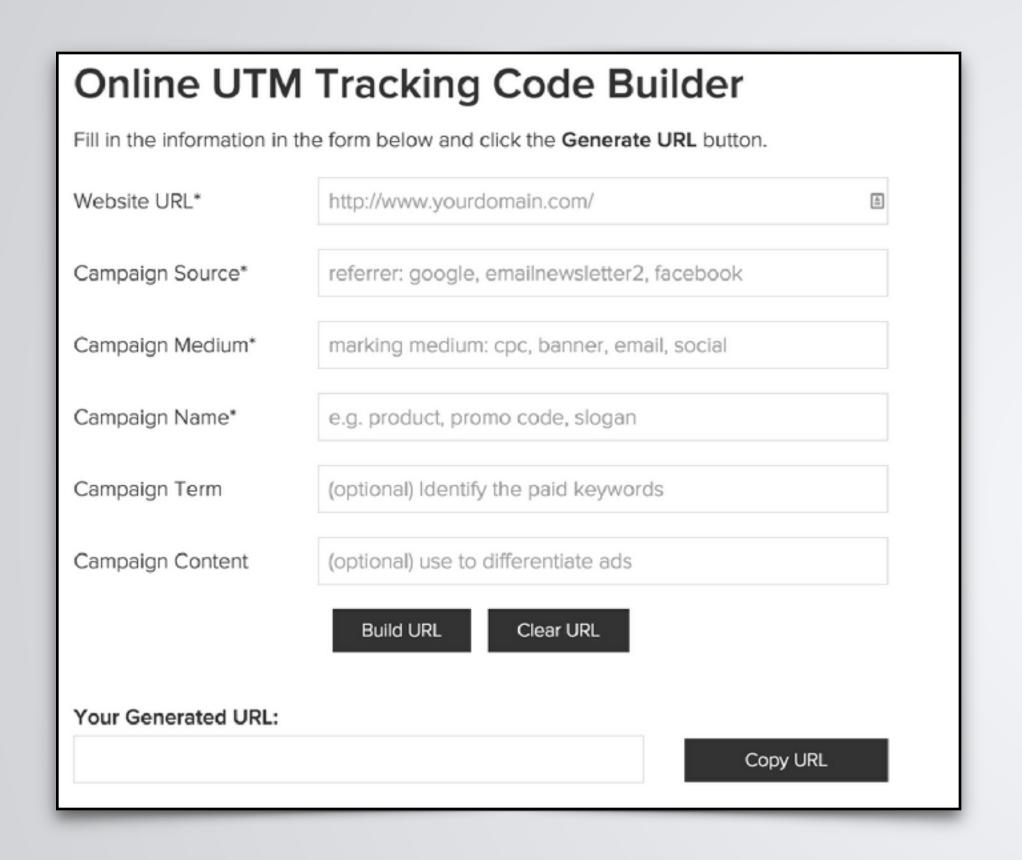
See Campaign Info in Google Analytics

Campaign ?	Acquisition			Behavior			Conversions eCommerce *		
	Sessions ? ↓	% New Sessions	New Users (?)	Bounce Rate	Pages / Session	Avg. Session Duration	Transactions	Revenue ?	Ecommerce Conversion Rate ?
Campaign Names	165,141 % of Total: 35.77% (461,674)	44.96% Site Avg: 58.24% (-22.81%)	74,243 % of Total: 27.61% (268,881)	32.12% Site Avg: 36.31% (-11.52%)	5.52 Site Avg: 5.18 (6.60%)	00:03:42 Site Avg: 00:03:42 (0.06%)	3,262 % of Total: 44.99% (7,251)	\$526,939.92 % of Total: 46.66% (\$1,129,369.17)	1.98% Site Avg: 1.57% (25.77%)
1.	32,298 (19.56%)	56.67%	18,303 (24.65%)	18.12%	7.29	00:04:52	704 (21.58%)	\$119,165.48 (22.61%)	2.18%
2.	22,555 (13.66%)	55.46%	12,509 (16.85%)	22.77%	6.57	00:04:04	470 (14.41%)	\$77,226.23 (14.66%)	2.08%
3.	14,610 (8.85%)	11.10%	1,621 (2.18%)	34.76%	4.56	00:02:39	121 (3.71%)	\$19,063.85 (3.62%)	0.83%
4.	7,955 (4.82%)	46.49%	3,698 (4.98%)	69.20%	2.78	00:01:56	125 (3.83%)	\$18,126.43 (3.44%)	1.57%
5.	6,571 (3.98%)	55.53%	3,649 (4.91%)	29.02%	6.26	00:04:26	168 (5.15%)	\$19,009.15 (3.61%)	2.56%
6.	6,298 (3.81%)	54.68%	3,444 (4.64%)	21.47%	6.00	00:03:52	178 (5.46%)	\$30,652.20 (5.82%)	2.83%



Wow, Amazing! Now, how the heck to I create these "UTMs" for my campaigns?

Online UTM Builder



Just do a Google search for an online UTM builder.

- or -

Just Visit datadrivenlabs.io/utm

GOOGLE UTM BUILDER



Website URL *

DATA DRIVEN

Enter Full Website URL like https://www.domain.com/

Campaign Source *

Enter A Referrer Like Facebook or Newsletter



Campaign Medium

Enter A Marketing Medium Like cpc, banner or email

Campaign Name

Enter A Name To Identify Campaign

How To Use Our UTM Builder

To use this UTM builder, simply enter your destination URL, add your campaign parameters, and copy the resulting URL. Click on the tabs below to learn more about each utm campaign parameter.

- + What Is Campaign Source?
- + What Is Campaign Medium?
- + What Is Campaign Name?

URL Shorteners

UTMs are long and ugly! Utilize URL shorteners to create easier to view URLs and shorter to type URLs.

A popular shortener services:

http://bit.ly



QUESTIONS?

