Broaden your reach

Get more people to see your ads.
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Sources
The Reach objective is all about maximizing the number of people who see your ad.

Use this objective when you want to show your ad to as many people as possible and also build brand awareness or change brand perception. Consider Reach when you’re launching a new product or brand message, or trying to build relevance around a certain occasion, topic, or event.

Reach campaigns maximize (you guessed it) the unique reach of your Tweets. Not only are you able to drive awareness from lots of people, but you can do it cost effectively. Plus, Reach is flexible, so you can set campaigns to focus on unique reach or reach-plus- engagements (likes, clicks, replies, and Retweets).

Looking to maximize video views or engagement instead?

We got you! Check out the Video Views and Engagement Objectives.

Benefits

Drive Efficient Reach
A cost-effective way to raise awareness of your brand’s message.

Optimized Results
Campaigns auto-optimize for maximum reach or reach-with-engagements. Just select your preference, set up your campaign and we’ll take care of the rest.

Spend What You Want
Enable predictable pricing by setting a cap on the CPM you’re comfortable paying.

Flexible
The Reach objective is compatible with all of Twitter’s targeting & ad formats.
Twitter’s cost-per-action pricing means you only pay for the results you’re looking to drive.

Pro Tip #1
Higher bids receive more unique reach.

Pro Tip #2
Lower bids have less unique reach and a higher frequency rate (average number of times a person sees your ad).

For the Reach objective this means you’ll only be charged for impressions.

Promoting a video? Keep in mind that Reach is the best objective for achieving reach and impressions. Not necessarily video views. This means videos will receive lower view rates than if you ran on the Video Views objective, but will be served to more people.

In a Reach campaign, you’re only charged for every 1,000 Tweet impressions.

What you pay per 1,000 impressions depends on your budget, bid, and the targeting you select. As part of this offering, you’ll get real-time bid guidance based on your targeting goals. We’ll get into more details on these in the coming pages.
How to get started

Things to consider

Before you start, make a plan. Here's a checklist of considerations that'll help you refine your objectives and achieve the best results.

What is your end goal? (Max reach, affordable CPMs, moving specific brand metrics?)

Who are you targeting? Core Audience, Existing Connections, or Lookalike audience?

What type of reach are you looking for? Mass reach (takeover products) or target reached (various ad formats)?

What creative assets do you have? Do you have images, videos or a GIF? Are your assets optimized for the feed?
Where your ads appear

Home timelines
Your campaign may be visible within a person’s timeline if you have a Promoted Tweet relevant to them (based on your audience targeting).

Profiles + Tweet detail pages
(Optional) When someone you’ve targeted visits a Twitter profile or Tweet detail page, they may be eligible to see your ad.

Top of search results
(Optional) Campaigns appear at the top of select search result pages on Twitter.com and partner products like Hootsuite. You can always customize where and if you want your Tweets to appear in search.
Twitter offers a wide selection of Image, GIF and Video ad formats that can help your creative and campaigns stand out. Each format comes with its own unique features that can be used for different purposes.

Some for example, can help drive longer video views, others give you the ability to add question and answer polls to your image or video ads, while others can take customers directly to your website. Whatever your goal is, we have an ad format that can help. Best of all they can be used together to amplify your message and maximize the value of your creative.

In fact, using the same single ad creative (let’s say a teaser video for your new product launch) with three or more ad formats can help your message stand out in feed, driving greater awareness and down funnel impact.

On the next page you will find a list of the top performing ad formats we recommend for the Reach objective. We suggest you test them out when building your campaigns to see which helps drive the best performance for the goals you care about.
Promoted Video

Promoted Video lets you promote a video from a brand's Twitter account. The video autoplays when shown in a person's timeline. Promoted Video is our most proven video ad solution, and drives brand metrics and sales. Stick to this tried-and-true ad format, or take it a step further and use additional features to achieve specific goals.

Promoted Image

Reach a wider group of people or spark engagement from existing followers.

Promoted Images are Tweets that are paid for by our advertisers to reach a wider group of users or to spark engagement from their existing followers. These appear in your Home timeline, at the top of search results on Twitter and elsewhere on the platform, and are clearly marked as "Promoted", but act just like regular Tweets and can be Retweeted, replied to, liked, and more.
Video Website Card

Capture attention with your best video or image content and drive people to your site or to take an action in the moment.

The Video Website Card enables marketers to promote their website with video creative, creating a rich experience for the user, a continuation of the conversation started in the video, and more qualified site visits. Upon clicking on the video unit, the destination URL loads and the video shifts to the top of the screen and continues to play. The video then scrolls with the page.

Promoted Moments

Promoted Moments are a collection of Tweets you can place together in a storytelling canvas that's immersive and engaging. The format allows brands to tell a story beyond 280 characters.

Image Website Cards leverage Twitter's unique data signals and cross-device identity to reach key audiences and deliver cost-efficient clicks to your website and onsite conversions, across platforms.
Let’s say your brand’s about to have a big moment: launching a new product, brand message, or looking to reach a massive audience on a specific day (like a holiday or event). Time to tell e-v-e-r-y-o-n-e.

When you want to reach a lot of people in a short amount of time, we recommend our takeover products. This is the best way to achieve quality reach at scale.

**Friendly Reminder:** These must be purchased through your Twitter Account Manager and are not part of the the Reach Objective.

Here are the takeover products we offer.

- First View
- Promoted Trend
- Promoted Trend Spotlight

**First View**
Maximize reach on Twitter for 24 hours with exclusive ownership of Twitter’s most premium video impressions served at the top of the timeline and throughout the app.
Promoted Trend 
Place your brand at the center of conversation, by featuring your brand’s desired hashtag in the top Trending list within the Explore tab — where people go to see what’s trending for the day.

This high impact placement drives mass-reach, enables user discovery and scales your campaign across Twitter.

It can also be paired with a First View to maximize awareness and reach across Twitter’s most popular surface areas.

Promoted Trend Spotlight
Want to make an even bigger splash? Upgrade your Promoted Trend to a Promoted Trend Spotlight in order to feature your brand video at the top of the Explore tab.

There your video ad will be featured in the top position for people’s first two visits of the day before returning to the Promoted Trend position within the Trends for You list.
Ad creative & copy

The Reach objective can work with most of Twitter’s creative formats including images, GIFs, and videos.

So what’s the secret to a good Tweet Ad? It’s quite simple... People respond best to compelling Tweets. As you build your campaign, we recommend you brainstorm creative ways to develop interesting Tweet content and engage your audience. We’ve included three good questions to ask yourself.

A simple formula

1. What do you want consumers to think?

2. What do you want them to do?

3. How do you want them to feel?

[Your Brand]
@YourBrandHandle

[——— Active Statement ———]

Call to Action, link.com or #Hashtag

Video or Image
Creative best practices

Ad creative is the #1 factor in driving sales. In fact, according to Nielsen, 47% of sales can be attributed to creative alone. After reviewing thousands of campaigns, we’ve put together a list of ways you can drive the best return for ads.

Keep in mind, people also read text on Twitter (more so than other platforms) so it’s important to think through your copy and CTAs as well.

- **Keep it short**
  Aim to keep videos at 15 seconds or less to maximize branding impact. 15 second video ads tend to see 3x higher completion rates over 30 second ads.

- **Grab attention quickly**
  Use movement and show talent in the first few seconds of your video. Keep in mind that the video can be skipped after 6 seconds.

- **Persistent branding**
  Video ads with clear logo placement drive 36% higher brand recall. Clear branding should be included within the first 3 seconds of the ad, but preferably stay on-screen the whole time.

- **Strong visuals**
  97% of people focus on visuals on Twitter, so make sure it’s eye-catching and features your product or key message.

- **Captions + sound off**
  Include captions or text-overlay so that your message comes through without sound. Closed captions and text overlays create 28% longer view times on Twitter and Average ROI is 1.8x higher for videos that don’t require sound to be understood.

- **Short Copy**
  90% of people read copy on Twitter. The sweet spot are Tweets with 50-100 characters.

Source: Nielsen Catalina Solutions, 5 Keys to Advertising Effectiveness, Oct 2017
You have two options when it comes to bid types: automatic cost or target cost. We recommend automatic cost bidding because it’s more flexible, cost effective, and updates based on real-time auction conditions.

When entering your bid, consider the value of 1,000 impressions and let that dictate what you’d like to pay. We provide a recommended bid (informed by past successful campaigns) which indicates the amount that will best help you reach your goal. Just note that if your bid is not competitive relative to other advertisers, your campaign may not serve.

Once your bid is set, you will never be charged more, and often times will be charged less. In addition to controlling the amount you pay per action, you can also control the daily budget you’re willing to spend on each campaign. Once your daily budget has been reached, the campaign will temporarily stop serving until the following day (or until the daily budget is increased). You can also set a total budget for the campaign.

You’re encouraged to test your objective with a CPM bid in the suggested range. This range varies based on your optimization preferences. It may also be higher during heavy traffic events (like the Holidays).

A higher bid means you are more likely to win the auction, which will then lead to more reach.

But don’t forget, the more detailed your targeting is the narrower your reach will likely be.
Getting views is great. Getting views from people your ad will resonate with is even better.

We’re all about finding the right audiences for your campaign.

People come to Twitter to discover what’s happening in the world, to share information instantly, and to connect with people and businesses around the globe. Twitter is where hundreds of millions of people post more than 500 million Tweets every day. This gives us a window into people’s lives, interests, wants, and what they’re doing right now.

With the Reach objective, you get access to Twitter’s industry-leading targeting features. Configure accordingly and you’re all set to go.

Here are 3 targeting strategies we offer:

- **Core audience**
  People targeted based on factors like demographics, location, interests, and keywords.

- **Existing connections**
  Reach people who are already familiar with and have expressed interest in your brand on or off Twitter.

- **Look-aikes**
  Discover brand new people with habits, interests, and backgrounds similar to your existing followers or customers.
# Core audience targeting

Looking to reach the right people at scale? Start here. Core Audience targeting allows you to set parameters to find your ideal audience.

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<td>Set preferences on age, gender, language, device, and more.</td>
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<td>Target or exclude people who searched for, tweeted, or engaged with Tweets containing keywords.</td>
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<td>Find people talking about your brand (or relevant topics) in real time to drive conversation across Twitter.</td>
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<td>Connect with people based on the types of handles they follow and interact with.</td>
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<td>Choose based on what they’re into: hobbies, sports, movies, and more.</td>
<td>Target people who Tweet about or engage with movies and shows in a specific market.</td>
<td>See who’s interested in select festivals, concerts, holidays, etc.</td>
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**Pro Tip #1**

While it's always smart to target by location and device, we advise using only one type of audience targeting with each campaign. In other words, choose whether to target by keyword, interest, followers, behavior, and so on. This makes it much easier to track what works and optimize accordingly.

All of our Demographic Audience Targeting tactics including Age, Gender, Location, Device, Language, and Carrier will apply to every person targeted in your campaign. For our Interest and Action based targeting tactics, including Keywords, Interests, Follower Look-alikes, and Conversations, a person can only be targeted by your campaign based on a single parameter, not multiple.
Existing connections targeting

Yes, Core Audience Targeting is a big help in finding a large and relevant audience. But maybe you’re looking for a more specific group of people? Here’s where you find people who have already shown interest in your brand.

**People who’ve visited your website**
Target individuals who have already visited your website. All you have to do is install Twitter’s pixel.

For detailed instructions on how to do this, visit our [Custom Audiences for Web page](#) that has step-by-step instructions.

**People who’ve seen or engaged with past Tweets**
Now you can retarget anyone who’s watched your video, liked a Tweet, or engaged with your organic/promoted content within a certain timeframe.

**People or customers you already know**
These are the people you already know are interested. Identify them based on emails, Twitter IDs, or mobile advertising IDs. You can also work through an Audience Partner to import existing customer audiences directly into your Ads account. Reconnect with them or exclude them to focus on new acquisition.

Look-alikes targeting

Expand the audience you’ve created using Core Audiences and Existing Connections using Look-alikes. These are brand new people that like, act, and engage the way your existing customers do. This is the best way to scale your campaigns.

Pro Tip #2

Have more questions about targeting? Visit our detailed Q&As on: Device targeting | Geo, gender, and language targeting | Interest and follower targeting | Keyword targeting | Custom Audiences
Other targeting tips to optimize your campaign

Target with focus
Creating campaigns with focused, relevant targeting means you have a higher chance to serve to audiences who are interested and likely to engage with your ad. Too large an audience will decrease the chances of the ad being relevant to users. That being said, targeting too small an audience will limit the users who are eligible to see your ad. Use the campaign forecaster tool within the campaign setup form to see if your targeting parameters are focused but not limited.

Increase your reach
Target people who are similar to your followers, who are Tweeting with specific keywords, and who have visited your website.

Vary targeting between campaigns
If you have more than one campaign targeting very similar audiences, your performance can suffer since your campaigns are essentially competing between each other for serve.

Align Tweet copy with targeting
For example, if you have one Tweet copy targeting males, and one targeting females, make sure the copy you use aligns with the different targeting parameters.

Break out mobile vs. desktop targeting
Mobile is a fundamentally different medium than desktop, characterized by frequent quick sessions and spur-of-the-moment spikes in purchase intent. Because of this, we recommend running separate campaigns each targeting mobile and desktop separately. This lets you test and learn the nuanced behaviors for each.

Play around!
One of the most important things you can do to drive continued campaign performance is to test what works for you and your campaigns. While it makes sense to run always-on campaigns, you’ll want to continually refresh and optimize your campaigns, given Twitter’s ever-changing, real-time nature. Remove low performing keywords, interests, and handles, and replace them with ones that are similar to the high performing ones.
The best way to know if your campaign’s working? Try things out. Start a few campaigns, one for each marketing initiative, so you can get a sense of what works best. Test, iterate, win.

Below are some insider tips for maximizing your campaign’s performance.

**Start with auto bidding**
Start with auto-bid to see how ads perform in the auction.

**Test various creative**
Follow creative best practices and, when possible, vary creative (3-5 pieces), copy and CTAs to see what works best.

**Experiment with targeting**
Expand your audience targeting using: Look-alikes, Keywords, Interests, Conversation Topics, and Retargeting.

**Focus on the winners**
Replace under-performing Tweets and targeting with fresh alternatives.

**Monitor Your bidding**
Update bids for campaigns that are doing well & merit a higher spend, or that are close to but not quite meeting your goals.

**Out with the old**
Pause or delete campaigns that continue to under-perform after you’ve tried optimizing.

**Don’t over optimize**
Resist temptation to over-optimize. After edits, wait 2-3 days to allow learnings to progress.

**We’ve got your back.**
Our technology automatically serves your best performing ads to the people you want to see them. Resist temptation to over-optimize. After edits, wait 2-3 days to allow learnings to progress.
Launching a Reach Campaign

O1
Log into your Twitter ads account.

O2
Click "Create campaign" in the top right corner of your Ads Manager.
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Select the “Reach” objective when creating a new campaign.

04

Create a campaign name. This won’t be public. We recommend you use a descriptive name for ease in reporting, i.e.: audience targeted, creative, etc.

05

Choose the proper Funding Source and input your Daily and Total campaign budgets.

Set start date and (optional) end date.

- We recommend longer flights to achieve greater CPM efficiencies.

Set parameters for your ad group(s).

- Ensure to only select “Accelerated Pacing” if you have a very short flight with more flexible cost ranges.
Set a total ad group budget (optional).

Select CPM bid type and bid amount. Target Bit or Automatic Bid.

Select your optimization preference. Max Reach or Reach with Engagement.*

*Note: Campaigns optimizing for Reach with Engagements can be slightly more expensive than max reach since you are optimizing toward a dual objective.

Set up measurement tracking if applicable. (Check with your local Twitter sales rep to see what measurement tracking is available in your area)
Once your campaign is live, you will be able to track results from your Ads Manager dashboard. There you can explore metrics like total spend, impressions, cost per impression, audience reach and average frequency. Keep in mind an impression is any time your ad is shown on Twitter.

The default view will show results at a campaign level. Click on a campaign to see results by ad group, ad, or audience. Here are some things to look for at each level.

**Get Your Results in Real Time**

- **Campaign level:**
  - Number of results
  - Results rate
  - Cost per result

- **Ad group level:**
  - Is there an ad group performing better than others? Why is that?

- **Ad level:**
  - What Tweets are performing best? Are there any common themes around creative and/or copy? If so, consider creating more Tweets like these to add to the campaign.
  - What Tweets are underperforming? Consider turning these off.

- **Audience level:**
  - What audiences are your Tweets resonating with most?
Bids Types


Nielsen Brand Effect Data, 2017-2018. Figures represent percentage point lifts from Engaged group versus control group, and are from a minimum of five studies per brand metric.

IPG Media Lab.


