Read me if you want to drive more leads on LinkedIn

Lead generation activity turns customer demand into business revenue. It's bottom-of-funnel, short-term sales activation that keeps the business going and is of particular interest to many B2B marketers, given that B2B deals are harder to close and sales cycles are often long-drawn affairs. Even in difficult times, when customers are less able to buy, well-executed demand marketing can help shore up existing relationships.

When you drive leads on LinkedIn, you're engaging decision-makers in the mindset to do business. We're here to help you connect with professional audiences at scale and drive meaningful engagements in environments that yield results.



Brands have seen a 33% increase in purchase intent resulting from ad exposure on LinkedIn



Audiences exposed to both brand and acquisition messages on LinkedIn are 6x more likely to convert



Compared to other social channels, 82% of B2B marketers realise their greatest success with LinkedIn



This essential guide has been specifically developed for you, by LinkedIn, to share insider insights about our platform, its features and functionalities. In the guide, we cover the end-to-end fundamentals of effective demand marketing on LinkedIn and how you can leverage the platform to accelerate lead generation. Master these and you'll be on your way to achieving the results you want.



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Step 1

Define your objectives

The ultimate aim of demand marketing is to capitalise on buyer interest to generate and convert qualified leads. Your aim is to move your target audience along the buyer journey from middle-of-funnel consideration and engagement to bottom-of-funnel lead generation.



Defining your objectives is the first, most important step in effective marketing. It provides clarity of purpose and direction, and determines the strategies, tactics, and key performance indicators for your campaign. While this is true for any marketing campaign, it is vital on LinkedIn because our platform is optimised for objective-based advertising.

Pay close attention to your demand marketing objectives on LinkedIn because each campaign objective optimises towards members most likely to take your desired action based on past and predicted platform data.

Budget Investment	Buyer Stage	Objectives	Optimisation	
46% in Brand	Awareness	Brand awareness	Impressions	
		Video views	Video views*	
	Consideration & Engagement	Engagement	Clicks to landing page, LinkedIn Page, social pill, LinkedIn Page followers, social actions	
54% in Demand Since B2B sales is tougher and sales cycles are longer, it's fair to reserve a marginally larger slice of your budget for short-term activation efforts.		Website visitors	Landing page clicks	
	Conversion	Lead generation	Lead gen form submissions	
		Website conversions	Conversions	

^{*} For video views, bidding by impressions optimises for impressions (number of times people have seen your ad) whereas bidding by video views optimises for video views (number of +2 continuous second-views at 50% on screen or a click on CTA, whichever comes first).

Source: Brand and Demand: The Key Principles of Marketing Growth, LinkedIn, 2020





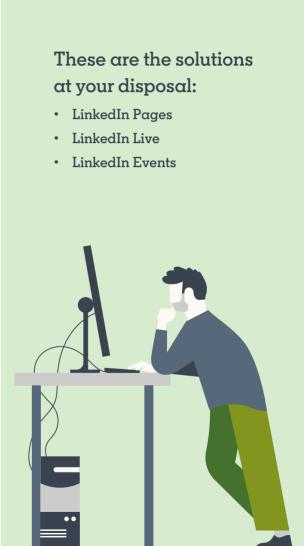
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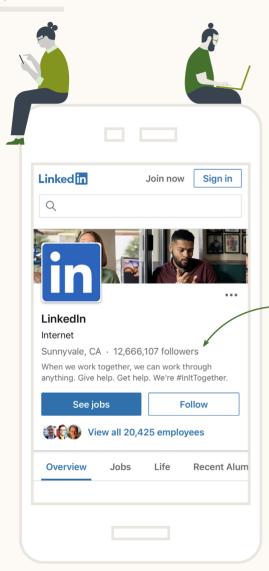
Build a compelling organic presence

The greater your organic reach, the more it can amplify your demand marketing efforts on LinkedIn. Do this by optimising your LinkedIn Page and adopting an always-on approach to sharing great content.









LinkedIn Page

It all starts with your <u>LinkedIn Page</u> — your brand's professional home on LinkedIn. This is where you can:

- Build thought leadership and use storytelling to share inspiring content with your community
- Showcase your corporate culture, strengthen your employer brand and engage your employees as integral members of your online community
- Promote your work by sharing updates that your community can immediately act on

Make it work

- Complete your Page because Pages with complete information get 30% more weekly views and are more likely to be found when members search on LinkedIn
- Tap on the Content Suggestions feature to discover the trending topics and articles that you can reshare or leverage for your own content strategy
- Follow and associate up to 3 hashtags with your Page to expose your brand to a wider audience
- Engage and re-engage your community with ongoing conversations



- Companies with completed and active Pages are more successful at achieving growth objectives, including:
 - o 5x lift in Page views
 - o 7x lift in average impressions per follower
 - o llx lift in clicks per follower
- Companies that post weekly see a 2x lift in engagement with their content.
 - o Images typically get α 2x higher engagement rate
 - o Custom collages of 3-4 images perform especially well for organisations
- Once your Page reaches 150 followers, the opportunity for growth is exponential.
 - o Add the LinkedIn 'Follow' button to your website to drive relevant followers to your Page
 - o Engage your employees to share Page posts to boost your organic reach



Pages Checklist

As a Page administrator, here's how you can set your Page up for success:

Organise internally Manage Showcase Pages Dial up employee advocacy Strategise your content Decide who requires admin ☐ Create Showcase Pages ☐ Encourage employees to Aim to post to your Page access. Is it 1-2 reps from daily to establish a trusted around major product re-share your posts using a your corporate brand, talent voice. categories. Don't make one feature to prompt them to brand, analytics team, for each of your products, like, comment, or re-share Plan a week in advance, but external agency and key services or regions. on your behalf. aim to schedule your posts regions, perhaps? 24-48 hours before launch. Grant access to your Promote your employees' ☐ Train your Page Admins. Central posting platforms Showcase Pages, typically best LinkedIn articles. Create an internal playbook like Hootsuite or Sprinklr can to corporate social teams **Use Content Suggestions** with examples of best-inor product marketing to find and share the best be helpful. class posts. articles authored by your managers. ☐ Use Content Suggestions to employees. ☐ Set up a centralised understand what's trending Create a social media with your target audience. Ask your execs to @mention communication channel. intake form to streamline Slack, Teams and **vour Page** as this offers content requests for all ☐ Share your brand's best SharePoint all work well. critical exposure for your Pages. @mentions. You can find Page. Sync regularly. Align these under the Activity tab. monthly with different Leverage My Company on Leverage your Communities teams (ex. regional teams Pages (previously LinkedIn panel hashtags. Update on localisation) and weekly Elevate) to create an these weekly and interact with your social leads employee-only community with the feeds. on cross-platform social experience where they can Respond to member connect, engage and grow strateav. comments in a timely their internal network via manner using mobile your Page. admin.

LinkedIn Live & LinkedIn Events

With LinkedIn Live, you can stream live video content to build deeper connections and record engagement with your audience. This is your opportunity to engage your wider audience and do so in real time. You're also giving your community a platform to interact while consuming your content live!

Use it on its own or paired with LinkedIn Events to bring your community together in real time. It enables you to host targeted, engagement-focused virtual events where you can stream live directly into your LinkedIn Event.



LinkedIn Live

Audience

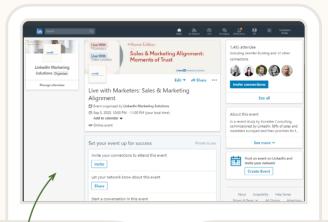
- All Page followers are notified
- · Public to all members

Best for

Reaching a wider member base

Top use cases

- Breaking news
- General discussions and Q&As
- Expert panels



LinkedIn Events

Audience

- · All Event attendees are notified
- Private to event attendees

Best for

Curated/selected smaller member base

Top use cases

- · Account-based marketing
- Industry-specific events
- Product demos
- · Other educational events



LinkedIn Live Videos receive 7x more reactions and 24x more comments compared to native videos.



upGrad

Headquarters: Mumbai, India | No. of Employees: 1,095 | Industry: E-Learning



Challenge

- upGrad is India's largest online higher education company providing programmes to students, working professionals and enterprises.
- They launched a host of additional programs in new areas to attract a broader audience.
- To get good quality enrollments, they needed to build brand awareness while furthering their key proposition of 'lifelong learning'.
- It was important to drive top of mind recall and establish trust amongst relevant audiences.



Solution

- A sophisticated targeting approach with lead gen campaigns towards oriented towards specific job titles, roles, behaviors and interests.
- Regularly shared organic content, closely monitored engagement and then sponsored high-performing posts.
- The LinkedIn team closely tracked their campaign KPIs and constantly optimized messaging, creative and targeting to find the sweet spot.



Results

87% increase in organic following in 60 days

2.3x
lift in brand
mentions
on LinkedIn

20% decrease in cost per lead

2x
improvement
in lead-toenrollment
numbers



"We adopted a two-fold approach on LinkedIn - building the upGrad brand in the market and targeting the right audience in the right mindset. The strategy paid off and we saw a remarkable improvement in the quality of leads, resulting in cost optimisation and better ROI for the business."

Rahul Karthikeyan | Head - Digital Marketing



Step 3

Target with precision

LinkedIn targeting is unique because members are incentivised to keep their profiles accurate and up-to-date for networking, personal branding, and job opportunities. And when they spend time on LinkedIn sharing and consuming content, celebrating moments and posting professional updates, they provide information on their job experiences, skills, interests and more that add behavioural richness to our data set.



Beware the hyper-targeting trap

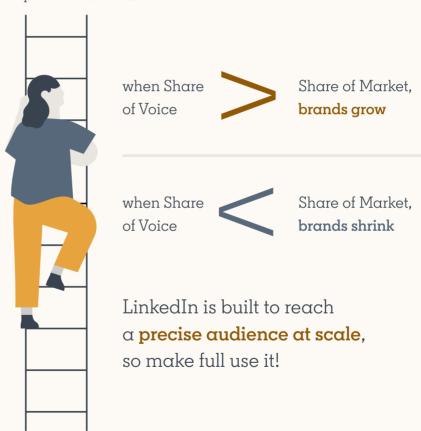
Targeting is all about delivering relevant, resonant content to the right audiences. With 69% of marketers believing that hyper-targeting is more effective than a broad approach, and there being so many targeting filters available on LinkedIn, you may be tempted to use them all. But beware! Hyper-targeting limits your reach. Consider:

The B2B buying decision involves an average





When you target too narrowly, you may not capture the full buying circle and future buyers. To grow the business and maximise advertising effectiveness, you want to reach as many people as possible because:



Profile-based targeting

On LinkedIn, you can reach members using a host of profile-based attributes. We find that, in most cases, using professional targeting options such as interests, member traits, skills, or functions, instead of age or gender, leads to much stronger results. Remember to sidestep the hyper-targeting trap by limiting yourself to two or three most relevant targeting options.



Job experience

Job Function,
Job Seniority,
Job Title,
Member Skills,
Years of Experience



Company

Company Name,
Company Industry,
Company Size,
Company Followers,
Company Growth Rate,
Company Category,
Company Connections



Education

Degree, Field of Study, Member School



Interests

Member Interests, Member Groups, Member Traits



Demographics

Age, Gender





Company Growth targets companies by their rate of growth year over year, determined by factors such as employee growth or inferred data from other similar companies within the same location and industry.



Company Category targets a curated list from well-recognised publications and thought leaders like Forbes, Fortune and LinkedIn News Editors. Using this option, you can effectively identify the world's largest, most innovative or fastest-growing companies. You can also use Company Category in combination with Job Seniority and Job Function to reach your precise buying committee.



Member Traits reach members based on distinguishing characteristics such as frequent traveller, job seeker, open to education or the types of device they may use when spending time on LinkedIn. This typically represents a narrower audience and may not need additional targeting criteria applied.





Your deep-dive resource:

Targeting on LinkedIn

Reach a wider audience

Increase the scale and reach of your campaign quickly and easily with these LinkedIn features.

Before your campaign

Use **Matched Audiences** to create a wider target audience with similar demographics and interests for:

- Website retargeting
- Contact targeting
- Account targeting
- Engagement retargeting

During your campaign

As you identify high-performing segments from your campaign, use **Audience Expansion** to build new, similar audiences in real time.

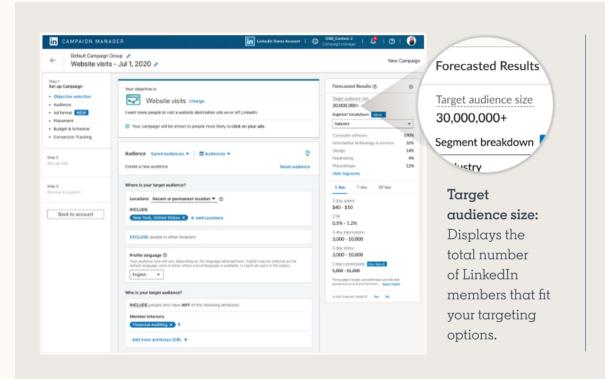
After your campaign

Identify high-performing audience segments and use **Lookalike Audiences** to find professionals with similar attributes.



Forecast your results

As you set up targeting for your campaigns, you can discover more about your audiences using Forecasted Results.





Segment breakdown:

A dropdown list of professional attributes like job function, years of experience, company size, industries and interest based on information that members provide in their profiles.



50,000+ members for

300 members is the minimum target audience size for a campaign. If your audience size is too small, you will be notified with an "Audience Too Narrow" message which prevents you from saving your targeting and moving to the next step. To achieve optimal scale for your campaign, aim for:

Single Image, Carousel, Video and Text Ads

15.000+ members for Message and Conversation Ads



Take a closer look in Campaign Manager

Account-based marketing

An account-based marketing (ABM) strategy allows you to be laser-focused in your efforts by engaging accounts with a high degree of buying intention. A LinkedIn survey found that, globally, 54% of marketers already use ABM and 80% plan to increase their budget investment in this area. To achieve their ABM goals, marketers need to overcome unreliable data, personalise content at scale and show the results of their programme and campaigns. That's where LinkedIn can come into play.

The member-generated, first-party data on LinkedIn is more accurate and highly differentiated in the market noise of audience data. Plus, LinkedIn's innovative products help you navigate the complex B2B buying process, where multiple touchpoints influence every sale.



Source: A B2B Marketing Jumpstart to Account-Based Marketing, LinkedIn

Whether your campaign objective is awareness or conversion, you can use company targeting to focus your ABM campaign on high-value companies and reach decision makers across an organisation. Here's how:

- Use Company Name targeting to precisely define the accounts you want to nurture
 - Upload your list of target companies and use Matched Audiences to expand your reach to similar companies across 8+ million LinkedIn Pages
- 2. Identify the people who make and influence buying decisions at your highest value accounts
- 3. Define and create targeted campaigns for these accounts
- 4. Deliver tailored content and nurture audiences along the buyer journey



You can target up to 200 different organisations using the Company Name option. To target an even larger list, use Matched Audiences to upload a list of up to 300,000 companies.



Jabra

Location: Copenhagen, Denmark | No. of Employees: 1,500+ | Industry: Consumer Electronics



Challenge

- Jabra is a global leader in audioequipment that powers the ways businesses communicate and get work done.
- With remote work on the rise,
 Jabra needed a way to build a B2B
 pipeline of companies searching for
 the equipment to make this shift to
 a digital and distributed workforce.



Solution

- Turning to LinkedIn for lead generation, Jabra leveraged LinkedIn's retargeting and Company Targeting to reach key accounts, while segmenting based on website activity, job functions and member interests.
- Video Ads allowed Jabra to tell a visual story of how it was helping retailers make the shift to a digital workforce powered by its technology.
- It used Single Image Ads with a Lead Gen Form to push that audience further down the funnel.



Results

• By retargeting prospective buyers based on those who opened a Lead Gen Form but didn't submit, Jabra beat its benchmarks for engagement while increasing conversion rates at the bottom of the funnel.



"We tested retargeting by Lead Gen Forms against our normal targeting tactics and found the CTR to be 2-3 times higher. Although still early in the process, we find that leads generated from retargeting have a higher qualification rate from MQL to SQL."

Morten Jensen | Senior Marketing Manager



Buyer Stage	Objectives	Targeting Attributes & Matched Audiences	
	Video views	Job Titles + Member Traits Uploaded Lists Website Retargeting Retargeting by Engagement	
Consideration & Engagement	Engagement		
	Website visitors		
	Lead generation	Uploaded Lists	
Conversion	Website conversions	Website Retargeting Retargeting by Engagement	
	Consideration	Consideration & Engagement Engagement Website visitors Lead generation Conversion	



Step 4

Choose your format mix

You're now ready to develop a format mix. Your choice of LinkedIn advertising formats will depend on the role you want the ads to play. Start by understanding your choices and how they can serve your objectives.



Budget Investment	Objective	Ad Placement			
		Feed	Messaging	Right-Rail	
in Brand 54% in Demand	Awareness	Video Ads* Single Image Ads* Carousel Ads	Conversation Ads	Spotlight Ads	
	Consideration & Engagement	Single Image Ads* Carousel Ads	Conversation Ads	Spotlight Ads, Follower Ads, Text Ads	
	Conversion	Single Image Ads* Carousel Ads	Message Ads	Spotlight Ads, Follower Ads, Text Ads	
		Power up with Lead Gen Forms			

^{*} Reach your target audience off LinkedIn too through premium publishers, like Business Insider, with **LinkedIn Audience Network**. LinkedIn Audience Network is currently only available for Sponsored Content single image and video ads.

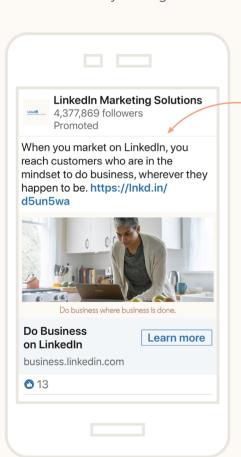








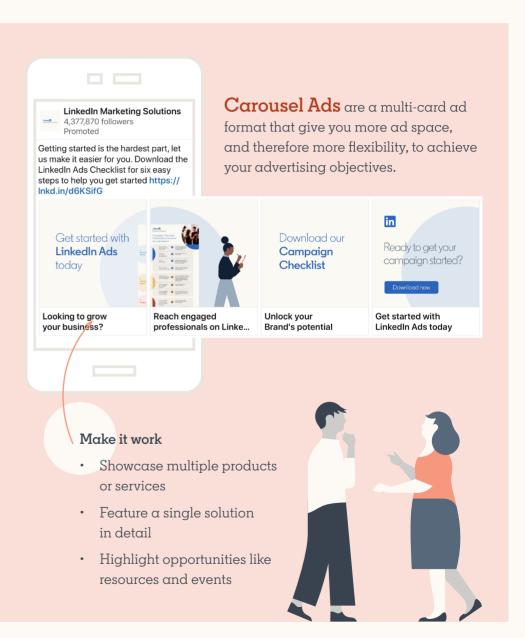
Single Image Ads are a Sponsored Content ad format. These ads feature one image and appear directly in the LinkedIn feed of your target audience.



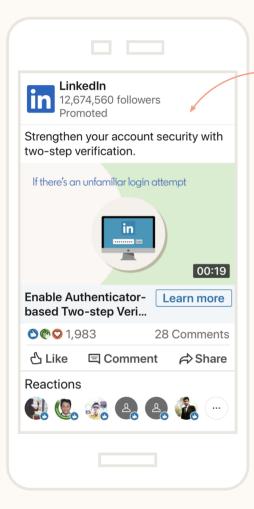


Make it work

- Keep your ad copy concise for greater engagement.
 Aim for under 150 characters for headlines and 70 characters for descriptive copy.
- Use larger images for up to 38% higher clickthrough rates. An image size of 1200x627 pixels is recommended.
- Feature a clear call-toaction so your audience knows how to act on their interest.



Video Ads are a compelling way to engage your audience on LinkedIn, especially since people engage with video ads almost 3x longer than a static ad.



Make it work

- Include captions to attract and engage your audience, particularly those who watch videos on mute
- Treasure the first 10 seconds. Show your audience what you want them to see before viewer attention drops



Short videos (5-15s)



Try looped videos similar to animated gifs or adopt a teaser approach to encourage your audience to learn more

Mid-length videos (30s)



Establish your point in the first 5 seconds, then drive it home with quick product overviews or 'talking head' interviews

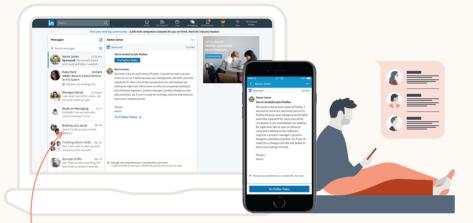
Long videos (lmin+)



Weave a richer story that makes an emotional connection or imparts knowledge



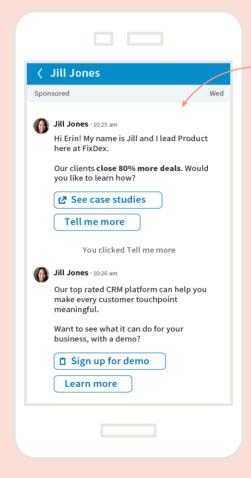
Message Ads allows you to send targeted messages directly to your audience in an uncluttered environment. Messages are delivered in real time, only when your audience is active on LinkedIn, to increase the likelihood of engagement.



Make it work

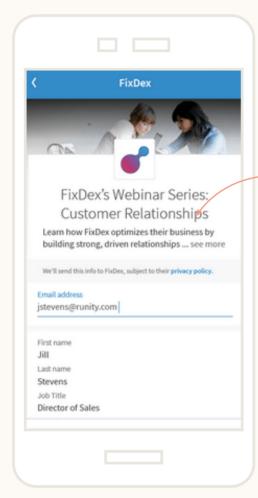
- Write an engaging subject line to entice audiences to read on
- Always introduce yourself and make your purpose clear
- · Limit messages to under 500 characters
- Add hyperlinks to make it easier for the prospect to engage with the ad
- · Focus on one call-to-action
- Add a Lead Gen Form to drive up to 4X more leads

Conversation Ads are the next generation of Message Ads. Use this format to engage your audience in a personalised manner as they control the conversation path with their responses.



Make it work

- Choose an appropriate sender — product demos could come from your Director of Sales, while event invitations could come from your CEO.
- Make your first sentence count. There's no subject line in a Conversation Ad so the first line can determine your open rate.
- Use 2-3 call-to-action opportunities to guide audiences into learning more.
- Drive higher quality leads by asking qualifying questions and including a Lead Gen Form for easy lead collection.



Lead Gen Forms

Lead Gen Forms are designed for seamless conversion. When LinkedIn members click on your ad, their profile data automatically populates a form that they can submit with one click. This tears down the main barrier to online conversion — the time and effort to manually complete forms — while ensuring that you get more accurate and complete information about your leads.

Make it work

- Choose 3-4 fields to use on your Lead Gen
 Form. A maximum of 12 is supported but
 fewer fields tend to improve conversion rates.
- If you have high form opens but low lead volume, consider reducing the number of fields or revising your message.
- When creating an ad with a Lead Gen Form, add a URL to your landing page in your ad copy. On mobile, tapping on the intro text will open the Lead Gen Form; on desktop, clicking on the intro text will redirect to the landing page.





Retargeting by Lead Gen Forms

Encourage conversion by retargeting audiences who opened a Lead Gen Form from your Sponsored Content ad but didn't submit. In such cases, try a more personalised approach with Message Ads.

Right-Rail Ads are displayed on the side rail of the LinkedIn homepage and include:



- **Spotlight Ads** where your ads are visually personalised to your target audience. Capture attention by selecting the option to have their profile photo appear in the ad.
- Follower Ads encourage audiences to follow your
 Page or Showcase Page and feature their photo and your company logo.
- **Text Ads** are simple but versatile ads. Make them stand out by addressing your audience directly in your ad copy or adding an optional image.

Make your

content work too

Content matters in brand marketing. Your content marketing strategy can boost your paid advertising efforts significantly, especially when you use it to build trust in the business.

Adopt a full-funnel content marketing strategy to guide your content creation in a way that anticipates and solves your audience's needs at every stage of the buyer journey.





Your deep-dive resource:

Content marketing in times of uncertainty



Inspired?

Start planning your next campaign

Awareness

Video Ads, Single Image Ads Conversation Ads

Consideration

Single Image Ads, Carousel Ads, Conversation Ads

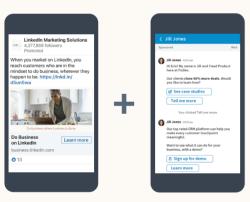
Conversion

Single Image Ads, Carousel Ads, Message Ads, Lead Gen Forms

To drive website visits

Single Image Ads

Conversation Ads



Use this combination to provide audiences with multiple entry points for taking the next action in the buyer journey.

To drive engagement

Video Ads Carousel Ads



Deepen engagement by incorporating more visual components, whether to enable deeper storytelling or show product capabilities. This combination is great to show a video preview of an upcoming event you're driving registrations for, with Carousel Ads displaying a few keynote or featured speakers.

To drive video views



Video Ads of varying lengths

Increase your reach and engagement with a visual story told through video ads of varying lengths. For audiences who watched less than 50% of your video, retarget them with a shorter video on a different topic.

For audiences who watched more than 50% of your video ad, deepen engagement with another video of about the same length that focuses on a middle-funnel topic.

Awareness

Video Ads, Single Image Ads Conversation Ads

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Consideration

Single Image Ads, Carousel Ads, Conversation Ads



Conversion

Single Image Ads, Carousel Ads, Message Ads, Lead Gen Forms

For lead generation

Single Image Ads

Message Ads

Lead Gen Form







Use this combination to drive product demos, free trials or event registrations.

Retarget audiences who previously submitted your Lead Gen Form for middle-funnel conversion like content downloads with a personalised Message Ad and a strong, single CTA.

For website conversions

Single Image Ads

Message Ads





This combination helps drive more high-intent conversion opportunities such as white paper downloads or sales demos.

Retarget website visitors who downloaded your top-funnel content by serving bottom-funnel thought leadership or production information to capitalise on brand familiarity and known engagement.



VMWare

Location: Palo Alto, CA, USA | No. of Employees: 10,001+ | Industry: Computer Software



Challenge

- As a global leader providing cloud computing and virtualisation software and services, VMware wanted to serve the right piece of content to help influencers and decision makers at key companies through the buying process.
- VMware developed a sophisticated omni-channel framework, leveraging multiple channels, data points, targeting segments, and offerings to deliver the right content to the right audience at the right time.
- It created a series of campaigns targeting named accounts, honing in on website activities, seniority, job titles, member interests and geography.



Solution

- To bring its strategy to life on LinkedIn, the company used a mix of Single Image, Carousel, and Video Ads to deliver different offers – from thought leadership to product trials – based on stage of the funnel and previous engagement behaviour.
- VMware retargeted those that watched more than 25% of a Video Ad with the next journey stage content offer.
- The combination of LinkedIn feed formats allowed the company to bring its story to life, capture the highest levels of interest, and drive key accounts to conversion points throughout the funnel.



Results

Many of VMWare's campaigns exceeded industry benchmarks, averaging:

3x higher click-through rates

50% lower cost per lead



"Engaging with VMware customers and prospects across digital channels with relevant and personalized experiences is essential to our omnichannel marketing strategy. Aligning campaign creative and tone to the mindset of the buyer and where they may be in the customer journey have resulted in successful outcomes."

Cindy Phan | Senior Manager, Global Digital Strategy





LucaNet ASEAN

Location: Singapore | No. of Employees: 201-500 | Industry: Computer Software



Challenge

- LucaNetASEAN is the Singapore-headquartered arm of LucaNetAG, dedicated to helping companies in Southeast Asia benefit from the brand's financial performance management solutions.
- With consolidation being a key offering, LucaNetASEAN has to ensure that its sales and marketing efforts are precisely directed at companies that deal with that level of financial complexity.
- Its challenge was to accurately define and engage a precise audience of companies in Southeast Asia with consolidation needs, such as those with overseas subsidiaries



Solution

LucaNet ASEAN used Conversation Ads to start automated conversations with its target audience via LinkedIn Messaging. In one particular campaign, it leveraged Conversation Ads in an innovative way:

- Asked prospects to participate in a pulse survey and share their top-ofmind issues
- Used survey findings to inform the agenda of an upcoming live webinar
- Invited survey respondents to register to attend the webinar



Results

80% open rate: an indication of Conversation Ads' engagement effectiveness

24% click to open rate: an indication that its audience wants to be heard

53% conversion rate: an indication that relevant and resonant content accelerates lead nurturing



"LinkedIn is undeniably our best platform for B2B marketing. Our audience already uses and trusts LinkedIn. This makes the process of targeting, engaging, nurturing and converting them highly efficient and effective."

Nicole Wang | Regional Marketing Manager





Talentedge

Location: Gurgaon, Haryana | No. of Employees: 201-500 | Industry: E-Learning



Challenge

- Establish leadership in executive education and build awareness about their superior educational partnerships with top Indian and international institutes
- Reach specific prospects with 4 to 10 years of work experience
- Generate quality leads while filtering out irrelevant enquiries
- Introduce ROI efficiencies by bringing down costs per lead



Solution

Precisely targeted Sponsored Content on LinkedIn facilitated:

- Intent-based audience segregation, so that Talentedge could offer tailored product messages to job seekers and career-switch aspirants separately
- Content segmentation that allowed Talentedge to reach the right people with messages relevant to them



Results

25% increase in conversion rates

50% reduction in cost per lead

2.5+ million average impressions per campaign



"We too believed in the common misconception that LinkedIn is primarily for B2B success, until we leveraged it for our B2C campaigns. We were delighted with the results. It has helped us generate high quality leads from the audience bracket we are focused on."

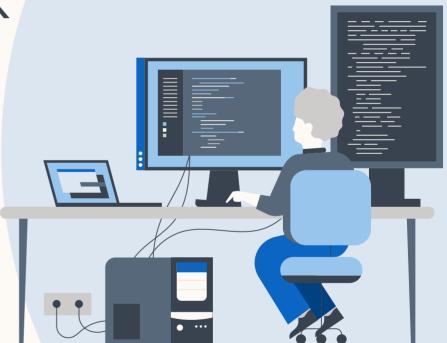
Ashish Singh Somwanshi | GM Marketing



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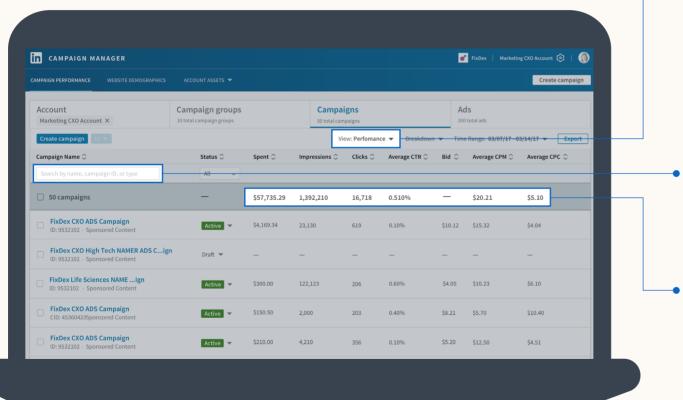
Measure, track and optimise

Once you've got a campaign going, you want to make sure that you're reaching your audience in the most effective way. A commitment to measuring and optimising is an important aspect of advertising better on LinkedIn.



Campaign Manager, the advertising platform on LinkedIn, reports a wide range of metrics for every campaign you run. By tracking and comparing your key metrics based on your objectives, you can learn which campaigns and ad creatives are most effective.

Use these 3 tips to enhance the way Campaign Manager works for you.



Personalise it

Use pre-selected views to tailor your metrics that matter to you

Work faster

Default

Delivery

Video

Performance

Engagement

Budget & Bid

Customize Columns

Conversions & Leads

Sponsored Messaging

The search function lets you pull out relevant campaigns and ads based on entered keywords

Analyse quicker

Do analysis in seconds with 1-click breakdowns, quick totals and hover-overs Measuring your ad performance — and therefore the impact of your advertising investment — is critical. On LinkedIn, you can do this in seven easy steps:

1. Identify your key metrics based on your objectives.

Advertising objectives by stage	Measurement metrics
Awareness	ImpressionsClicksClick-through rate
Consideration	Website visitsClicksClick-through rate
Conversion	Conversion rateCost per conversionCost per lead

- 2. Set up the LinkedIn Insight Tag to leverage Conversion Tracking.
- 3. Put Lead Gen Forms to work.

Lead Gen Forms allow you to measure bottom-of-funnel metrics like Number of Leads and Cost per Lead. You will also get deeper insights into the demographics of leads that you have successfully converted.

- 4. Let your campaigns run for at least 7 days before checking your campaign performance.
 - It takes at least 7 days for the LinkedIn algorithm to learn about your campaign, so give it some time to work before you start optimising towards your campaign objectives.
- 5. Use Campaign Demographics to analyse which audiences respond best to your ads.

Based on these insights, you can create new target audiences or direct your ad spend to better-performing areas.

6. Use Performance Insights for recommendations on improving your bids and budgets.

Campaign Manager offers insights into your total budget, daily budget and bids to help you increase the competitiveness of your ads.

7. Try A/B testing to identify your best-performing creative, copy and targeting options.

By testing two similar campaigns with one small variation in creative, copy or targeting options, you can find out which combination is more effective.



Discover the LinkedIn Insight Tag

The LinkedIn Insight Tag is a snippet of code for your website. It enables you to to see how your ads are driving valuable actions, including content downloads, sign-ups, purchases, and more. With it, you can track website conversions tied to all your LinkedIn ads, then let LinkedIn automatically optimise your campaigns for even more conversions. It also unlocks demographic insights about your website visitors and allows you to re-engage them by retargeting them with LinkedIn ads.

Demonstrate marketing value with LinkedIn

Analytic Partners, an industry-leading measurement and optimisation solution provider, assessed the performance of LinkedIn across three verticals: Technology, Financial Services and Education. Media Mix Modelling (MMM) and Multi-Touch Attribution (MTA) modelling takes into account the full sales cycle and determines drivers of business performance across traditional and digital media. This long-term view of ROI highlighted the value of LinkedIn:



In technology, LinkedIn generated 2-5x higher ROAS (Return on Ad Spend) than other social media platforms 7x

In financial services, LinkedIn generated 7x more incremental customer sign-ups than Display



In education, LinkedIn was 2-4x as effective as other display media*

To achieve true measurement nirvana, however, you need to track your marketing campaigns through the sales funnel.

Use leading metrics

to measure initial impact, such as CTR, website traffic and engagement, for an early read on advertising effectiveness.

Use lagging metrics

as revenue-focused, long-term indicators of success, such as how many opportunities came from advertising.

Landing page conversion

Marketing qualified lead

Opportunities created

Closed won opportunities/# new customers

Closed dollars/revenue

To support you, LinkedIn continues to invest in measurement across brand, performance and business outcomes through partnerships with leading providers, such as:











*Source: Bachmann, Kathy. Menkes, Mike. Future-Proof Your Market Position: Rethinking Marketing Strategy in Turbulent Times. Analytic Partners. Apr 2020. Webinar



In a nutshell, to drive more leads on LinkedIn, you need to:

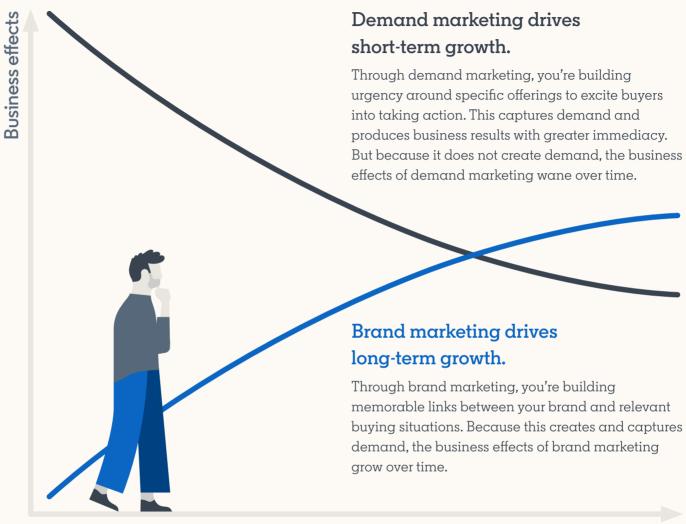
- Step 1. **Define your objectives** for demand marketing
- Step 2. Build a compelling organic presence to amplify your paid efforts
- Step3. **Target with precision** with profile-based targeting, company name targeting, contact targeting or website retargeting
- Step 4. Choose your format mix using powerful combinations to achieve your objectives
- Step 5. **Measure, track and optimise** using Linkedln's wide range of metrics as well as demographic and performance insights

Budget Investment	Stage	Objectives	Optimisation	Targeting	Recommended Ad Format Mix	Measurement
46%	Awareness	Brand Awareness	Impressions	Job Function + Seniority Skills or Job Titles Interest Targeting Lookalike Audiences	Series of Video Ads Single Image Ad + Video Ad Conversation Ad	Impressions Clicks Click-through rate
in Brand	Consideration & Engagement	Video Views	Video views	Job Titles + Member Traits Uploaded Lists Website Retargeting Retargeting by Engagement	Video Ads of varying lenghts	
54% in Demand		Engagement	Clicks to landing page, LinkedIn Page, social pill, LinkedIn Page followers, social actions		Video Ad + Carousel Ad	Website visits Clicks Click-through rate
		Website Visitors	Landing page clicks		Single Image Ad + Conversation Ad	
	Lead Generation Conversion Website Conversions	Lead gen form submissions	Uploaded Lists Website Retargeting	Single Image Ad + Message Ad + Lead Gen Form	Conversion rate Cost per	
			Conversions	Retargeting by Engagement	Single Image Ad + Message Ad	conversion Cost per lead

^{*} Reach your target audience off LinkedIn too through premium publishers like Business Insider with **LinkedIn Audience Network**. LinkedIn Audience Network is currently only available for Sponsored Content single image and video ads.

Before you go....

Remember to save some love for brand marketing too! Every business needs a balance of brand and demand marketing to achieve robust, sustainable business growth.







Start driving more leads on LinkedIn now

Put your learnings into action and get the results you want:

Create an ad

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