

## Top 5 Reasons You Should Market Online

With Internet technology on the rise, almost every business has a website that offers information and/or the company's services or products to customers. In order to further promote their site and services, businesses have begun utilizing Internet marketing strategies to drive more traffic to their site, increase their sales and bring their website and business to a whole new level.

Though many are jumping on the online marketing bandwagon, some companies, particularly smaller or home-based businesses, are weary of the new technology and have yet to take the plunge. Here are the top five reasons why every company, small or large, should market their services online:

### 1) More Customers –

Marketing online will dramatically increase your pool of potential customers. With billions of people using the Internet each day, you're bound to get more recognition with online marketing than through traditional forms of advertisements. By adding a contact email to your website, you're enabling people to contact you and provide their information, proving that you're reachable and interested in their feedback.

### 2) Networking –

Internet marketing allows you to network with people that you would have never met otherwise. Along with potential customers, millions of other business owners and companies market online and use the Internet to network with others. Joining newsgroups and networking communities allows the opportunity for business deals and sales that would have never been possible.

### 3) Freedom Of The Web –

A great thing about marketing on the Internet is that you don't have to see your customers in person. You're free to sit at home or in your office wearing pajamas speaking to potential customers through the web. It is your website, not you, that the customers are seeing so you don't need to worry about your own professional appearance. It is, however, important to make sure that your site represents everything your company is about and does it in a professional, tasteful manner.

### 4) Several Options –

There are so many different ways to market online, that it's almost inexcusable to not take advantage of the technology. With so many different online marketing techniques available, you're sure to find one that fits your needs and targets the type of customers you're looking for. From article marketing to blogging, ezines to press releases, there are several ways to get your name out there and attract consumers to your site.

### 5) Less Time Consuming –

Because most online marketing methods are automated, it requires very little of your time and effort. After setting up an initial marketing campaign, you have the freedom to sit back, relax, and watch it all unfold. You can purchase software to automate your advertisements or outsource to a marketing company to take care of the work for you. You can set up automatic emails, website updates, podcasts and videos as well as auto-reminders to let customers know that new information is available and ready for their review.

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