

Cookie Policy

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1. Introduction

Vox Media, Inc. ("our," "we," or "us") maintains voxmedia.com, curbed.com, eater.com, racked.com, polygon.com, SB Nation and Network of Editorial Sports websites, theverge.com, vox.com, recode.net, and related mobile websites, mobile applications ("mobile apps"), services, tools, and other applications (collectively, the "Site"). We, along with our advertising partners and vendors use a variety of technologies to learn more about how people use our Site. You can find out more about these technologies and how to control them in the information below. This policy forms part of the Vox Media Privacy Policy available [here](#).

2. Cookies And Other Tracking Technologies, And How We Use Them

Like many companies, we use Cookies and other Tracking Technologies on our Site (collectively "Cookies", unless otherwise stated) including [HTTP cookies](#), [HTML5](#) and [Flash local storage](#), [web beacons/GIFs](#), [embedded scripts](#) and [e-tags/cache browsers](#) as defined below.

We use Cookies for a variety of purposes and to enhance your online experience, for example, by remembering your log-in status and viewing preferences from a previous use of an online service, for when you later return to that online service.

In particular, our Site uses the following categories of Cookies, in our legitimate interest, as described in Section 2 of our [Privacy Policy](#):

Cookies and Local Storage

Type of cookie	Purpose
Analytics and	These cookies are used to collect information about traffic to our Services and how users use our Services. The information gathered does not identify any individual visitor. The information is aggregated and therefore

Type of cookie	Purpose
Performance Cookies	anonymous. It includes the number of visitors to our Services, the websites that referred them to our Services, the pages that they visited on our Services, what time of day they visited our Services, whether they have visited our Services before, and other similar information. We use this information to help operate our Services more efficiently, to gather broad demographic information and to monitor the level of activity on our Services. We use Google Analytics for this purpose. Google Analytics uses its own cookies. It is only used to improve how our Services works. You can find out more information about Google Analytics cookies here: https://developers.google.com/analytics/resources/concepts/gaConceptsCookies . You can find out more about how Google protects your data here: www.google.com/analytics/learn/privacy.html . You can prevent the use of Google Analytics relating to your use of our Services by downloading and installing the browser plugin available via this link: http://tools.google.com/dlpage/gaoptout?hl=en-GB
Essential Cookies	These cookies are essential to provide you with services available through our Services and to enable you to use its features. For example, they allow you to log in to secure areas of our Services and help the content of the pages you request load quickly. Without these cookies, the services that you have asked for cannot be provided, and we only use these cookies to provide you with those services.
Functionality Cookies	These cookies allow our Services to remember choices you make when you use our Services, such as remembering your language preferences, remembering your login details, remembering which polls you have voted in and in some cases, to show you poll results, and remembering the changes you make to other parts of our Services which you can customize. The purpose of these cookies is to provide you with a more personal experience and to avoid you having to re-enter your preferences every time you visit our Services.
Social Media Cookies	These cookies are used when you share information using a social media sharing button or “like” button on our Services or you link your account or engage with our content on or through a social networking website such as Facebook, Twitter or Google+. The social network will record that you have done this.
Targeted and advertising cookies	These cookies track your browsing habits to enable us to show advertising which is more likely to be of interest to you. These cookies use information about your browsing history to group you with other users who have similar interests. Based on that information, and with our permission, third-party advertisers can place cookies to enable them to show adverts which we think will be relevant to your interests while you are on third-party websites. These cookies also store your location, including your latitude, longitude, and GeoIP region ID, which helps us show you locale-specific news and allows our Services to operate more efficiently. You can disable cookies which remember your browsing habits and target advertising at you by visiting http://www.youronlinechoices.com/uk/your-ad-choices . If you choose to remove targeted or advertising cookies, you will still see adverts but they may not be relevant to you. Even if you do choose to remove cookies by the companies listed at the above link, not all companies that serve online behavioral advertising are included in this list, and so you may still receive cookies and tailored adverts from companies that are not listed.

Your use of our Site indicates your consent to such use of Cookies. For further information about our use of Cookies and your opt-out choices, see [Your Cookie Choices And How To Opt-Out](#). See [here](#) for examples of each type of cookie used on our Site.

3. Use Of Cookies And Tracking Technologies By Our Advertising Partners

The advertising networks and/or content providers that deliver ads on our Site use cookies to uniquely distinguish your web browser and keep track of information relating to serving ads on your web browser, such as the type of ads shown and the web pages on which the ads appeared.

Many of these companies combine information they collect from our Site with other information they have independently collected relating to your web browser's activities across their network of websites. These companies collect and use this information under their own privacy policies.

These companies, their privacy policies and the opt-outs they offer can be found in the [table below](#).

You can also opt-out of additional third-party advertising networks by going to the Network Advertising Initiative's Website at http://www.networkadvertising.org/managing/opt_out.asp and following the directions there.

We are not responsible for the effectiveness of any such opt-out options. California residents are be entitled to know the effects of opt-out options under California Business & Professions Code Section 22575(b)(7). The effect of an opt-out, if successful, will be to stop targeted advertising, but it will still allow the collection of usage data for certain purposes (e.g., research, analytics and internal Site operation purposes).

4. **Your Cookie Choices And How To Opt-Out**

You have the choice whether to accept the use of Cookies and we have explained how you can exercise your rights below.

Most browsers are initially set up to accept HTTP cookies. The "help" feature of the menu bar on most browsers will tell you how to stop accepting new cookies, how to receive notification of new cookies, and how to disable existing cookies. For more information about HTTP cookies and how to disable them, you can consult the information at [Your Ad Choices](#).

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Controlling the HTML5 local storage on your browser depends on which browser you use. For more information regarding your specific browser, please consult the browser’s website (often in the "Help" section).

Please note, however, that without HTTP cookies and HTML5 and Flash local storage, you may not be able to take full advantage of all our Site features and parts of the Site will not function properly.

Please note that rejecting Cookies does not mean that you will no longer see ads when you visit our Site.

5. **Cookies And Tracking Technologies Used On Vox Media’s Site**

The following table sets out details of the individual cookies we use and the purposes for which we use them.

We provide the table below as a courtesy, but we are not obligated to maintain or update it. We are not responsible for third-party sites and their privacy practices as it relates to opt-outs from tracking activities. The following third-parties that collect information from you on our Site have given us notice that you can obtain information on their policies and practices, and in some instances opt-out of certain of their activities, as follows:

Cookies and Tracking Technologies

Party	Service	For More Information	Use of Tracking Technologies	Privacy Choices
Adap.tv	Customer interaction	https://www.onebyaol.com	Yes	https://adinfo.aol.com/about-our-ads/
AddThis	Customer interaction	https://www.addthis.com	Yes	www.addthis.com/privacy/opt-out
Admeta	Advertising	www.admeta.com	Yes	www.youronlinechoices.com
Advertising.com	Advertising	https://www.onebyaol.com	Yes	https://adinfo.aol.com/about-our-ads/

Party	Service	For More Information	Use of Tracking Technologies	Privacy Choices
Aggregate Knowledge	Customer interaction	www.aggregateknowledge.com	Yes	www.aggregateknowledge.com/privacy/ak-optout
Amazon Associates	Advertising	https://affiliate-program.amazon.com/welcome	Yes	https://www.amazon.com/adprefs
AppNexus	Advertising	https://www.appnexus.com/en	Yes	https://www.appnexus.com/en/company/cookie-policy
Atlas	Advertising	https://www.facebook.com/businessmeasurement	Yes	https://www.facebook.com/privacy/explanation
BidSwitch	Advertising platform	www.bidswitch.com	Yes	https://www.iponweb.com/pribacky-policy/
BlueKai	Advertising exchange	https://www.bluekai.com	Yes	https://www.oracle.com/legal/privacy/privacy-choices.html
Brightcove	Video hosting platform	go.brightcove.com	Yes	https://www.brightcove.com/en/legal/privacy
Chartbeat	Customer interaction	https://chartbeat.com/privacy	Yes but anonymised	n/a
Datalogix	Advertising	www.datalogix.com	Yes	https://www.oracle.com/legal/privacy/privacy-choices.html
DoubleClick	Advertising exchange	http://www.google.com/intl/en/about.html	Yes	http://www.google.com/intl/en/policies/privacy/
Facebook Connect	Social networking	https://www.facebook.com/privacy/explanation	Yes	https://www.facebook.com/privacy/explanation
Facebook Custom Audience	Social networking	https://www.facebook.com/privacy/explanation	Yes	https://www.facebook.com/privacy/explanation
FreeWheel	Video platform	Freewheel2018.tv	Yes	Freewheel.tv/optout-html
GA Audiences	Advertising	https://support.google.com/analytics/answer/2611268?hl=en	Yes	http://www.google.com/intl/en/policies/privacy/
Google Adsense	Advertising	https://www.google.com/adsense/start/#/?modal_active=none	Yes	http://www.google.com/intl/en/policies/privacy/
Google Adwords Conversion	Advertising	https://support.google.com/adwords/answer/1722022?hl=en	Yes	http://www.google.com/intl/en/policies/privacy/
Google AJAX Search API	Applications	https://support.google.com/code/answer/56496?hl=en	Yes	http://www.google.com/intl/en/policies/privacy/
Google Analytics	Google Analytics for Display Advertisers, Ads Preferences	http://support.google.com/analytics/bin/answer.py?hl=en&topic=2611283&answer=2700409 http://www.google.com/settings/ads/onweb/?hl=en&sig=ACi0TCg8VN3Fad5_pDOsAS8a4...	Yes	http://www.google.com/intl/en/policies/privacy/

Party	Service	For More Information	Use of Tracking Technologies	Privacy Choices
	Manager, and Google Analytics Opt-out Browser Add-on	https://tools.google.com/dlpage/gaoptout/		
Google Dynamix Remarketing	Advertising	https://support.google.com/adwords/answer/3124536?hl=en	Yes	http://www.google.com/intl/en/policies/privacy/
Google Publisher Tags	Advertising	http://www.google.com/intl/en/about.html	Yes	http://www.google.com/policies/privacy/
Google Safeframe	Advertising	https://support.google.com/richmedia/answer/117857?hl=en	Yes	http://www.google.com/intl/en/policies/privacy/
Google Tag Manager	Tag definition and management	http://www.google.com/tagmanager/ http://www.google.com/intl/en/about.html	Yes	http://www.google.com/policies/privacy/
Index Exchange	Advertising exchange	www.indexexchange.com	Yes	www.indexexchange.com/privacy
InsightExpress	Site analytics	https://www.millwardbrown.digital.com	Yes	www.insightexpress.com/x/privacystatement
Integral Ad Science	Site analytics and optimization	https://integralads.com	Yes	null
Intent IQ	Analytics	https://www.intentiq.com	Yes	https://www.intentiq.com/opt-out
MOAT	Analytics	https://www.moat.com	Yes	https://www.moat.com/privacy
MyFonts Counter	Font seller	www.myfonts.com	Yes	null
NetRatings SiteCensus	Site analytics	www.nielsen-online.com	Yes	www.nielsen-online.com/corp.jsp
New Relic	Site analytics	https://newrelic.com/about	Yes	https://newrelic.com/privacy
Omniure (Adobe Analytics)	Customer interaction	https://www.adobe.com/marketing-cloud.html	Yes	www.omniure.com/sv/privacy/2o7
OpenX	Advertising exchange	https://www.openx.com	Yes	https://www.openx.com/legal/privacy-policy/
Outbrain	Advertising	www.outbrain.com/Amplify	Yes	www.outbrain.com/legal/#advertising_behavioral-targeting
PubMatic	Adstack platform	https://pubmatic.com	Yes	https://pubmatic.com/legal/opt-out/

Party	Service	For More Information	Use of Tracking Technologies	Privacy Choices
RhythmOne Beacon	Advertising	https://www.rhythmone.com/	Yes	https://www.rhythmone.com/opt-out#vQe861GwXrglR1gA.97
Rocket Fuel	Advertising	https://rocketfuel.com	Yes	https://rocketfuel.com/privacy
Rubicon	Advertising exchange	https://rubiconproject.com	Yes	https://rubiconproject.com/privacy/consumer-online-profile-and-opt-out/
Salesforce DMP (f/k/a Krux Digital)	Customer interaction	http://www.salesforce.com/krux/DMP	Yes	http://www.salesforce.com/marketing-cloud/sfmc/salesforce-dmp-consumer-choice/
Scorecard Research Beacon	Site analytics	https://scorecardresearch.com	Yes	https://scorecardresearch.com/preferences.aspx
SMART AdServer	Advertising platform	smartadserver.com	Yes	https://smartadserver.com/company/privacy-policy/
Souvrn (f/k/a Lijit Networks)	Customer interaction	https://sovrn.com	Yes	https://sovrn.com/privacy-policy/
SpotXchange	Advertising platform	https://www.spotx.tv	Yes	https://www.spotx.tv/privacy-policy
StickyAds	Mobile advertising	https://wpadvancedads.com/sticky-ads/demo/	Yes	null
Taboola	Customer interaction	https://www.taboola.com	Yes	https://www.taboola.com/privacy-policy#optout
TradeDesk	Advertising platform	https://www.thetradedesk.com	Yes	www.adsrvr.org
Tremor Media	Customer interaction	www.tremor.com	Yes	null
TripleLift	Advertising	https://www.triplelift.com	Yes	https://www.triplelift.com/consumer-opt-out
TRUSTe Notice	Privacy platform	https://www.trustarc.com	Yes	https://www.trustarc.com/privacy-policy
Turn Inc.	Marketing platform	https://www.amobee.com	Yes	https://www.triplelift.com/trust/consumer-opt-out
Twitter Advertising	Advertising	ads.twitter.com	Yes	https://help.twitter.com/en/safety-and-security/privacy-controls-for-tailored-ads
Twitter Analytics	Site analytics	analytics.twitter.com	Yes	https://help.twitter.com/en/safety-and-security/privacy-controls-for-tailored-ads
Twitter Conversion Tracking	Tag manager	https://business.twitter.com/en/help/campaign-measurement-and-analytics/conversion-tracking-for-websites.html	Yes	https://help.twitter.com/en/safety-and-security/privacy-controls-for-tailored-ads

6. Consent

If you do not opt out, as provided in the [Your Cookie Choices And How To Opt-Out](#) section above, you expressly consent to the collection, use, and sharing of your personal data by us and the third parties listed above, subject to their privacy policies, preferences, and opt-outs available through the links set forth above. Not in limitation of the foregoing, you expressly consent to the use of Cookies or other local storage and the collection, use, and sharing of your personal data by us and each Google entity identified in the [Cookies and Tracking Technologies Used On Vox Media's Site](#) section above. You can revoke your consent at any time by following the procedures set forth in the "[Your Cookie Choices And How To Opt-Out](#)" section above.

7. Definitions

Cookies

A cookie (sometimes referred to as local storage object or LSO) is a data file placed on a device. Cookies can be created through a variety of web-related protocols and technologies, such as HTTP (sometimes referred to as "browser cookies"), HTML5, or Adobe Flash. For more information on third-party cookies that we use for analytics, please review the table of cookies and tracking technologies within this Cookies and Tracking Technologies Policy.

Web Beacons

Small graphic images or other web programming code called web beacons (also known as "1x1 GIFs" or "clear GIFs") can be included in our online service's pages and messages. Web beacons are invisible to you, but any electronic image or other web programming code inserted into a page or e-mail can act as a web beacon.

Clear gifs are tiny graphics with a unique identifier, similar in function to cookies. In contrast to HTTP cookies, which are stored on a user's computer hard drive, clear gifs are embedded invisibly on web pages and are about the size of the period at the end of this sentence.

Deterministic Finger-printing Technologies

If a user can be positively identified across multiple devices, for instance, because the user has logged into a platform such as Google, Facebook, Yahoo or Twitter, it can be "determined" who the user is for purposes of improving customer service.

Probabilistic Finger-printing

Probabilistic tracking depends upon collecting non-personal data regarding device attributes like operating system, device make and model, IP addresses, ad requests and location data, and making statistical inferences to link multiple devices to a single user. Note that this is accomplished through proprietary algorithms owned by the companies performing probabilistic finger-printing. Note also that in the EU IP Addresses are personal information.

Device Graph

Device graphs can be created by combining non-personal data regarding use of smartphones and other devices with personal log-in information to track interactions with content across multiple devices.

Unique Identifier Header (UIDH)

"Unique Identifier Header (UIDH) is the address information that accompanies Internet (http) requests transmitted over an ISP's wireless network. For example, when a customer types on his or her phone the web address of a retailer that request travels over the network and is delivered to the retailer's website. The information included in that request includes things like the device type and screen size so that the retailer site knows how to best display the site on the phone. The UIDH is included in this information, and can be used as an anonymous way for advertisers to be able to determine that the user is part of a group that a third-party advertiser is attempting to reach.

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It is important to note that the UIDH is a temporary, anonymous identifier included with unencrypted web traffic. We change the UIDH on a regular basis to protect the privacy of our customers. We do not use the UIDH to collect web browsing information and it does not broadcast individuals' web browsing activity out to advertisers or others.

Embedded Script

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An embedded script is a programming code that is designed to collect information about your use of our online service, such as the links you click on. The code is temporarily downloaded onto your device from our web server or a third-party service provider, is active only while you are connected to the online service, and is deactivated or deleted thereafter.

ETag, or Entity Tag

A feature of the cache in browsers, an ETag is an opaque identifier assigned by a web server to a specific version of a resource found at a URL. If the resource content at that URL ever changes, a new and different ETag is assigned. Used in this manner ETags are a form of device identifier. ETag tracking generates unique tracking values even where the consumer blocks HTTP, Flash, and/or HTML5 cookies.

Unique Device Tokens

For each user that accepts push notifications in mobile apps, the app developer is provided with a unique device token (think of it as an address) from the app platform (e.g., Apple and Google).

Unique Device ID

The unique series of numbers and letters assigned to your device