

Training Day 16

Report:

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Key Takeways

- **Google web master (Google Search Console)**

Google Search Console (GSC) is a powerful tool provided by Google to help website owners understand and improve their site's performance in Google Search.

1. Performance Tracking

Search Analytics: Monitor clicks, impressions, click-through rates (CTR), and Average position in Google Search.

Queries: See which queries bring users to your site and how often your site appears in search results.

2. Index Coverage

Index Status: Check which pages of your site are indexed by Google.

Errors and Exclusions: Identify and fix indexing issues that prevent pages from appearing in search results.

3. URL Inspection Tool:

Live URL Test: Check the current index status of a specific page and see any issues affecting its indexing and visibility.

Request Indexing: Submit URLs to Google for re-crawling and re-indexing after making changes.

4. Enhancements and Reports:

Core Web Vitals: Assess page performance metrics like loading speed, interactivity, and visual stability.

Mobile Usability: Ensure your site is mobile-friendly and identify mobile usability issues.

Security Issues: Detect and resolve security problems such as malware, hacked content, and other vulnerabilities.

5. Sitemap Submission:

Sitemap Management: Submit XML sitemaps to help Google better understand your site's structure and find all your pages.

6. Manual Actions and Security Issues:

Manual Penalties: Receive notifications of any manual actions taken against your site for violating Google's webmaster guidelines.

Security Alerts: Get alerts for security issues and advice on how to resolve them.

7. Link Reports:

Internal Links: See how your internal linking structure supports site navigation and hierarchy.

External Links: Identify which external sites are linking to your content.

8. Enhancements for Specific Content:

Rich Results: Monitor and optimize structured data to enhance your site's appearance in search results with rich snippets and features.

AMP (Accelerated Mobile Pages): Check the status and performance of AMP pages on your site.

9. User Experience (UX) Insights:

Page Experience Report: Understand how your pages perform in terms of user experience, considering factors like mobile-friendliness, HTTPS security, and ad experience.

10. Tools and Settings:

URL Removal Tool: Temporarily block URLs from appearing in Google Search.

Change of Address Tool: Inform Google of a domain change to ensure a smooth transition.

Settings: Manage site properties and user permissions.