

Directory SEO

COMPREHENSIVE AUDIT REPORT

Website: <https://www.yelp.com>
Directory: Restaurants, Dentists, Bars, Beauty Salons, Doctors
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TOTAL SCORE
Directory SEO: 106/200 | AI Visibility: 14/100
120/300

Section	Score	Max	Status
Structure & Architecture	26	50	Needs Work
On-Page SEO	30	50	Good
Content Quality	25	40	Good
Technical SEO	14	30	Needs Work
Authority & Trust	11	30	Critical
AI Visibility	14	100	Critical
TOTAL	120	300	F

Your directory requires urgent attention. Implementing the recommendations in this report could dramatically improve your search visibility and user experience.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Metric	Value
Listing Pages Analyzed	1
Category Pages Analyzed	2
Location Pages Found	0
Sitemap URLs	0
Schema Objects Found	10

PRIORITY FIXES

Categories scoring below 50% that need immediate attention:

- [!] Location Structure (2/10): Create city/state landing pages (e.g., /restaurants/new-york/)
- [!] URL Structure (4/10): Use clean, readable URLs without query parameters
- [!] Editorial Content (4/10): Start a blog with weekly industry content
- [!] Content Freshness (3/10): Display last updated dates on listings and categories
- [!] Page Speed (4/10): Add async/defer to JavaScript files
- [!] Crawlability (2/10): Add Sitemap: directive to robots.txt
- [!] Social Proof (0/10): Add links to active social media profiles
- [!] AI Crawler Access (0/10): Remove GPTBot block from robots.txt

QUICK WINS

High-impact improvements you can make quickly:

- * Listing Completeness: Add missing fields to listings: address, categories, name
- * Meta Descriptions: Add unique meta descriptions to all pages
- * Pagination & Canonicals: Block filter/sort URLs in robots.txt to prevent duplicate content
- * User-Generated Content: Allow users to upload photos for listings
- * Mobile Usability: Make phone numbers clickable with tel: links

STRUCTURE & ARCHITECTURE (26/50)

How well your directory is organized - listings, categories, locations, and internal linking.

[7/10] Listing Completeness

[!] Good listing completeness (62% average)

Analyzed 1 listing pages

Recommendations:

> Add missing fields to listings: address, categories, name

[5/10] Category Taxonomy

[OK] 2 category pages detected

[!] Flat category structure

[OK] BreadcrumbList schema implemented

Recommendations:

> Implement hierarchical categories (e.g., /restaurants/italian/pizza/)

[2/10] Location Structure

[X] No location-specific pages detected

[OK] Location data in schema markup

Recommendations:

> Create city/state landing pages (e.g., /restaurants/new-york/)

> Use location-based URL structure (/category/city/)

[8/10] Internal Linking

[OK] Strong internal linking (82 internal links on homepage)

[OK] Related/similar listings sections found

[OK] Category hub/browse sections present

[4/10] URL Structure

[X] Many URLs have query parameters (33% clean)

[OK] URLs use readable slugs (no numeric IDs)

[OK] URLs are lowercase with hyphens

Recommendations:

> Use clean, readable URLs without query parameters

> Use hierarchical URLs: /category/subcategory/listing-name/

ON-PAGE SEO (30/50)

Title tags, meta descriptions, headings, schema markup, and canonicals.

[6/10] Title Tag Optimization

[OK] All 3 titles are unique

[!] 1 titles are too long (>60 chars)

[!] 1 titles are too short (<30 chars)

Recommendations:

- > Shorten title tags to 50-60 characters
- > Expand short titles with relevant keywords
- > Add search-intent keywords to titles (best, top, find, near me)

[7/10] Meta Descriptions

[X] 1 pages missing meta descriptions

[OK] All meta descriptions are unique

[OK] Meta descriptions include calls-to-action

Recommendations:

- > Add unique meta descriptions to all pages

[5/10] Heading Structure

[X] 1 page(s) missing H1

[!] Limited H2 tag usage

[OK] H3 tags used for subsections

[OK] H1 tags have appropriate length

Recommendations:

- > Add a single H1 tag to every page
- > Use H2 tags to break content into logical sections

[5/10] Schema Markup

Found schema types: Unknown, ItemList, FAQPage, WebPage, CollectionPage

[OK] ItemList schema implemented

[OK] CollectionPage schema implemented

[OK] FAQPage schema implemented

[OK] WebSite schema implemented

Recommendations:

- > Add LocalBusiness schema markup
- > Add BreadcrumbList schema markup
- > Add AggregateRating schema markup

[7/10] Pagination & Canonicals

[OK] Canonical tag present

[i] No pagination detected (may be single-page categories)

Recommendations:

> Block filter/sort URLs in robots.txt to prevent duplicate content

CONTENT QUALITY (25/40)

Listing descriptions, user-generated content, editorial content, and freshness.

[10/10] Listing Descriptions

[OK] Substantive descriptions (avg 714 words)

[OK] All descriptions appear unique

[OK] Descriptions are not templated

[8/10] User-Generated Content

[OK] Review system detected

[OK] Rating system (stars) present

[OK] Comments or Q&A; feature detected

Recommendations:

> Allow users to upload photos for listings

> Add AggregateRating schema for rich snippets

[4/10] Editorial Content

[!] Limited editorial content (1 section)

Found: best_of

[OK] 'Best of' or comparison content present

Recommendations:

> Start a blog with weekly industry content

> Create how-to guides for your audience

[3/10] Content Freshness

[!] No recent dates visible

[OK] Date metadata in schema markup

Recommendations:

> Display last updated dates on listings and categories

> Add 'Recently Added' or 'New Listings' section

TECHNICAL SEO (14/30)

Page speed, mobile usability, and crawlability.

[4/10] Page Speed

- [!] 4 render-blocking scripts in head
- [!] Limited lazy loading (0/10 images)
- [X] Heavy HTML (463KB)
- [OK] CDN detected
- [OK] Resource hints present (preload/preconnect)

Recommendations:

- > Add async/defer to JavaScript files
- > Implement lazy loading for below-fold images
- > Convert images to WebP format

[8/10] Mobile Usability

- [OK] Mobile viewport configured correctly
- [OK] Strong responsive design indicators
- [OK] Touch-friendly buttons present

Recommendations:

- > Make phone numbers clickable with tel: links

[2/10] Crawlability

- [OK] robots.txt exists
- [X] No sitemap found

Recommendations:

- > Add Sitemap: directive to robots.txt
- > Consider blocking filter/sort URLs: Disallow: /*?sort
- > Create XML sitemap with all listing and category pages

AUTHORITY & TRUST (11/30)

Backlink profile, social proof, and E-E-A-T signals.

[6/10] Backlink Profile

- [i] DataForSEO not configured - using on-site indicators
- [OK] Press/media mentions present

Recommendations:

- > Use Ahrefs, Moz, or DataForSEO for detailed backlink analysis
- > Build links through digital PR and industry outreach

[0/10] Social Proof

- [X] Limited social media links
- [X] No trust badges or signals

Recommendations:

- > Add links to active social media profiles
- > Display review counts prominently (e.g., '500+ reviews')
- > Add trust badges (BBB, industry certifications)

[5/10] E-E-A-T Signals

- [OK] About page linked
- [X] Limited contact information
- [OK] Privacy Policy and Terms present
- [OK] HTTPS enabled

Recommendations:

- > Add clear contact page with phone, email, and address
- > Add 'How We Rate' or 'Our Methodology' page
- > Add team bios with credentials

AI VISIBILITY (14/100)

How well the site is optimized for AI crawlers, LLMs, and AI-powered search engines.

[0/10] AI Crawler Access

- [X] ChatGPT/OpenAI (GPTBot) is BLOCKED
- [X] Claude/Anthropic (ClaudeBot) is BLOCKED
- [X] Claude Web (Claude-Web) is BLOCKED
- [X] Anthropic AI (anthropic-ai) is BLOCKED
- [X] Perplexity (PerplexityBot) is BLOCKED

Recommendations:

- > Remove GPTBot block from robots.txt
- > Remove ClaudeBot block from robots.txt
- > Remove Claude-Web block from robots.txt

[2/10] Structured Data Quality

- Found 1 schema object(s): Unknown
- [X] No LocalBusiness/LegalService schema
- [X] No FAQPage schema
- [OK] Review/rating schema found

Recommendations:

- > Add LocalBusiness schema with full NAP and hours
- > Add FAQPage schema for rich results and AI visibility
- > Add Organization schema with logo, social profiles

[3/10] Content Structure

[OK] Single H1: "Top 100 Places to Eat in 2026..."

[!] Only 2 H2 tags

[X] Thin content (42 words)

[i] Reading level: College graduate (very difficult)

Recommendations:

- > Expand content to 1,500+ words for competitive rankings
- > Add bullet/numbered lists for better AI comprehension

[0/10] E-E-A-T Signals

[X] No expertise credentials found

Recommendations:

- > Add specific experience metrics (years, case count)
- > Highlight attorney credentials, awards, and certifications
- > Add media mentions, awards, and professional memberships

[2/10] Brand Presence

[X] Limited social media presence

[OK] Review platform mentions: yelp

[i] Full brand mention analysis requires external API

Recommendations:

- > Add links to active social media profiles
- > Add video content to increase engagement and AI visibility
- > Build Reddit presence in legal subreddits

[0/10] Content Freshness

[X] No datePublished in schema

[!] No recent dates visible in content

[X] No blog section found

Recommendations:

- > Add datePublished and dateModified to schema markup
- > Display publication/update dates on content
- > Start a blog with weekly content updates

[0/10] Question-Based Content

[X] No FAQPage schema

[X] Only 0 questions in content

Recommendations:

- > Add an FAQ section answering common client questions
- > Add FAQPage schema for rich snippets in search
- > Add more question-format headings that mirror user queries

[2/10] Citations & Sources

[X] No authoritative (.gov, .edu) sources cited

[OK] Strong internal linking (10 links)

Recommendations:

- > Cite government and educational sources for credibility
- > Add statistics with source attribution

[3/10] Technical Performance

[OK] HTTPS enabled

[OK] Good security headers (50%)

[OK] Mobile viewport configured

[X] Heavy HTML (463KB)

Recommendations:

- > Reduce page size for faster loading
- > Implement lazy loading for images

[2/10] AI Platform Presence

[i] To verify AI visibility:

→ Ask ChatGPT: 'What law firms handle [your practice] in [your city]?'

→ Ask Perplexity the same question

→ Check if you appear in AI Overview results

Recommendations:

- > Create YouTube content and embed on site
- > Test AI visibility by querying ChatGPT/Claude about your practice area
- > Enable YouTube transcripts for AI training

30-DAY DIRECTORY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Week 1: Foundation & Structure

- ☐ Audit and fix URL structure for consistency
- ☐ Implement or fix BreadcrumbList schema
- ☐ Ensure all listings have canonical tags
- ☐ Block filter/sort URLs in robots.txt
- ☐ Submit updated sitemap with all listing pages

Week 2: Schema & On-Page

- ☐ Implement LocalBusiness schema on all listing pages
- ☐ Add ItemList schema to category pages
- ☐ Ensure unique title tags (50-60 chars) per page
- ☐ Write unique meta descriptions (150-160 chars)
- ☐ Fix heading hierarchy (single H1, structured H2/H3)

Week 3: Content Quality

- ☐ Expand thin listing descriptions to 300+ words
- ☐ Add/improve review and rating system
- ☐ Create 'Related Listings' sections
- ☐ Start blog with 'Best [Category] in [Location]' posts
- ☐ Add visible dates (last updated) to listings

Week 4: Authority & Growth

- ☐ Add About, Contact, Privacy, and Terms pages
- ☐ Implement social sharing and links
- ☐ Create 'How We Rate' methodology page
- ☐ Begin outreach for backlinks and partnerships
- ☐ Set up Google Search Console monitoring

DIRECTORY-SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Listing Page Template:** Ensure every listing has: name, description (300+ words), address, phone, hours, images, categories, reviews, and external website link.
- **Category Hub Strategy:** Create pillar category pages with unique intro content, filtering options, and internal links to subcategories and top listings.
- **Location Pages:** If geo-relevant, create city/state landing pages targeting '[category] in [city]' searches.

- **User-Generated Content:** Encourage and display reviews - this creates unique content and builds trust with users and search engines.
- **Schema for Rich Results:** LocalBusiness, AggregateRating, ItemList, and FAQPage schemas can earn rich snippets in search results.
- **Programmatic SEO:** Use templates + unique data points to generate valuable pages at scale without thin content issues.

COMPLETE CATEGORY BREAKDOWN

#	Category	Score	Max	%
1	Listing Completeness	7	10	70%
2	Category Taxonomy	5	10	50%
3	Location Structure	2	10	20%
4	Internal Linking	8	10	80%
5	URL Structure	4	10	40%
6	Title Tag Optimization	6	10	60%
7	Meta Descriptions	7	10	70%
8	Heading Structure	5	10	50%
9	Schema Markup	5	10	50%
10	Pagination & Canonicals	7	10	70%
11	Listing Descriptions	10	10	100%
12	User-Generated Content	8	10	80%
13	Editorial Content	4	10	40%
14	Content Freshness	3	10	30%
15	Page Speed	4	10	40%
16	Mobile Usability	8	10	80%
17	Crawlability	2	10	20%
18	Backlink Profile	6	10	60%
19	Social Proof	0	10	0%
20	E-E-A-T Signals	5	10	50%

Need help implementing these recommendations?
Schedule a free strategy call to discuss your directory SEO roadmap.

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