



BATTER UP

**RIISING TO THE OCCASION OF
MOBILE/WEB OPTIMIZATION**

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THE FIRST INNING



Did you know?

- According to Forbes, the average Major League Baseball team is worth \$1.78 billion¹
- The average Major League Baseball ticket costs \$32.99 as of July, 2019²
- In 2018, total attendance for Major League Baseball regular season games was 69.65 million people³
- 65% of GenZ and Young Millennials are consuming sports content on a mobile device⁴

Why does this matter?



**HOW CAN MLB BRING A BELOVED IN-STADIUM
EXPERIENCE, AND CREATE THE SAME EXCITEMENT
AND PERSONALIZED TOUCH ONLINE?**

American Airlines



KEY METRICS FOR MLB

- 01** Visits - used for finding traffic on site
- 02** Unique Visitors - how many different users visit the site
- 03** Page Views - how many times was a particular page viewed?
- 04** Revenue - what was the revenue and what drove it?
- 05** Conversion Rate (Orders/Visits) –
how many orders are placed per visit?
- 06** Revenue per Visit, RPV - what is the revenue earned per visit?
- 07** Revenue per Visitors –
what is the revenue earned per unique visitor?
- 08** Revenue per Order - what was the average order value? (AOV)

HOW ARE FANS COMING TO THE SITE AND APPS?

Referrer Type			Visits
Page: 1 / 1 Rows: 50 1-5 of 5			↓ 1,261,434,322
1. Typed/Bookmarked			783,040,013 62.1%
Page			Visits
Page: 1 / 1 Rows: 5 Retrieving data...			
2. Search Engines			323,167,146 25.6%
Search Engine			Visits
Page: 1 / 54 Rows: 5 1-5 of 266			323,167,146
1. Google			278,971,331 86.3%
2. Microsoft Bing			12,313,502 3.8%
3. Yahoo!			7,470,234 2.3%
4. Google Search App			5,449,955 1.7%
5. Google - Canada			5,374,940 1.7%

Figure 1: Illustrates how users are getting to the MLB website.

Search Keyword			Visits
Page: 1 / 31,376 Rows: 50 1-50 of 1,568,796			↓ 1,261,434,322
1. Unspecified			959,852,482 76.1%
2. Keyword Unavailable			307,422,656 24.4%
3. mlb			1,789,673 0.1%
4. mlb.com			553,088 0.0%
5. mlb scores			269,066 0.0%
6. 류현진			205,205 0.0%
7. mlb standings			179,276 0.0%
8. la다저스			171,238 0.0%
9. atlanta braves			169,201 0.0%
10. chicago cubs			148,871 0.0%

Figure 2: Popular keywords searched to reach the MLB website.

WHAT DO VISITORS DO WHEN ON THE SITE?

Freeform Table

	Visits	Page Views	Unique Visitors	Revenue	Revenue / Visits	Revenue / Order	Orders / Visits	Revenue / Visitor
Site Section Page: 1 / 13 > Rows	1,261,434,322	5,902,388,796	319,396,740	\$701,171,292	\$0.56	\$119.46	0.00	\$2.20
1. Homepage	452,008,022	1,096,892,563	93,180,127	\$0	0.0%	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00
2. Game Wr...	232,588,259	385,460,966	45,839,391	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	0.0%	\$0.00
3. News	201,487,649	310,265,301	60,428,573	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	0.0%	\$0.00
4. Gameday	156,419,286	489,530,328	30,054,268	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	0.0%	\$0.00
5. Tickets	142,064,479	397,746,958	79,944,157	\$678,112,890	\$4.77 858.7%	\$123.35 103.3%	0.04 831.7%	\$8.48 386.4%
6. Preview/...	126,475,581	351,058,073	29,056,086	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	0.0%	\$0.00
7. Scoreboard	102,200,534	1,560,567,542	20,159,789	\$0	0.0%	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00

	Visits	Page Views	Unique Visitors	Revenue	Revenue / Visits	Revenue / Order	Revenue / Visitor
Page Page: 1 / 2,722 > Rows: 50 1-50 of 136,090	1,261,434,322	5,902,388,796	319,396,740	\$701,171,292	\$0.56	\$119.46	\$2.20
1. Major League Baseball: Game Wrap...	232,588,27	385,460,99	45,839,392	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	\$0.00
2. Major League Baseball: Homepage	231,005,25	549,632,61	47,496,484	\$0	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00
3. Major League Baseball: Gameday: G...	156,371,58	486,941,98	30,042,05	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	\$0.00
4. Major League Baseball: News: Article	129,183,73	187,701,59	41,909,234	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	\$0.00
5. Major League Baseball: Preview/Wra...	76,425,305	155,804,40	17,206,519	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	\$0.00
6. Major League Baseball: Scoreboard: ...	73,659,215	132,465,02	13,953,323	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	\$0.00
7. Major League Baseball: Scoreboard ...	57,558,419	1,258,202,1	9,115,840	\$0	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00
8. Major League Baseball: Preview/Wra...	55,206,34	66,324,68	15,603,980	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	\$0.00
9. Major League Baseball: Standings: R...	47,406,83	56,576,122	14,444,64	\$0	0.0%	Invalid	\$0.00

Figures 3 & 4: Demonstrates the pages people are visiting on the site.

HOW DO VISITORS REACH THE PURCHASE PAGES?

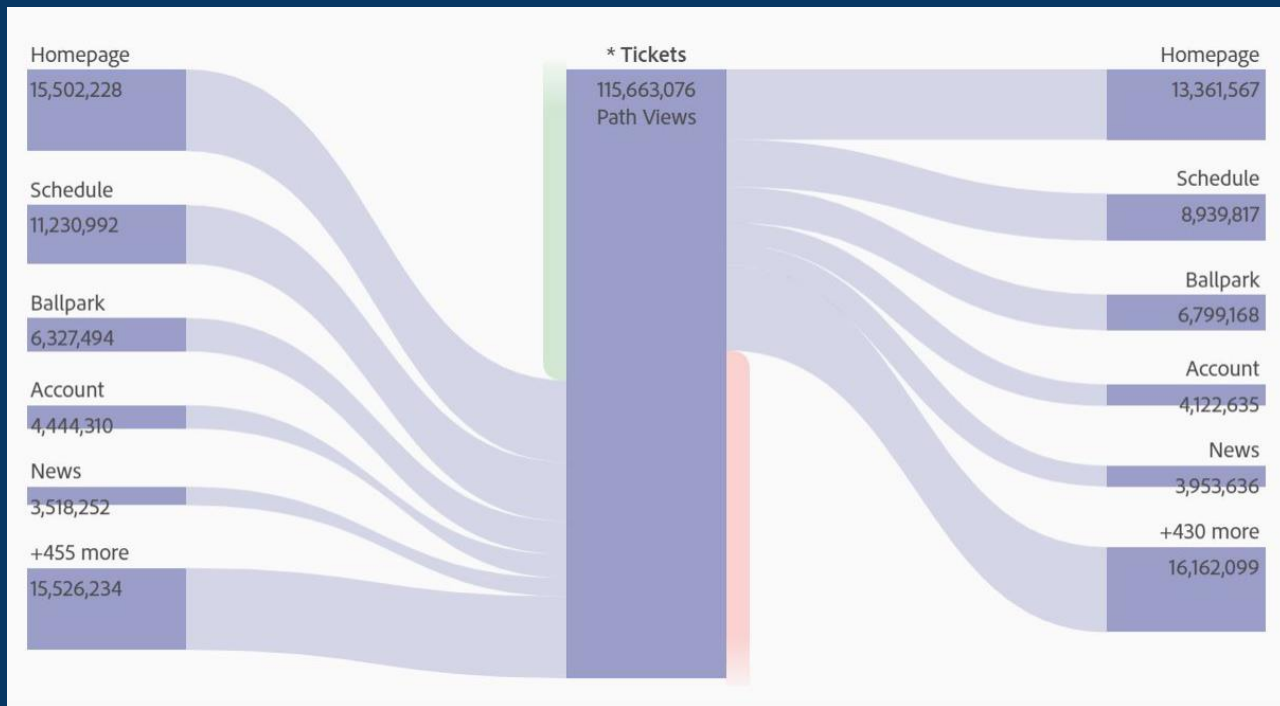


Figure 5: How customers are reaching the ticket section on the MLB site.

PURCHASE FALLOUT

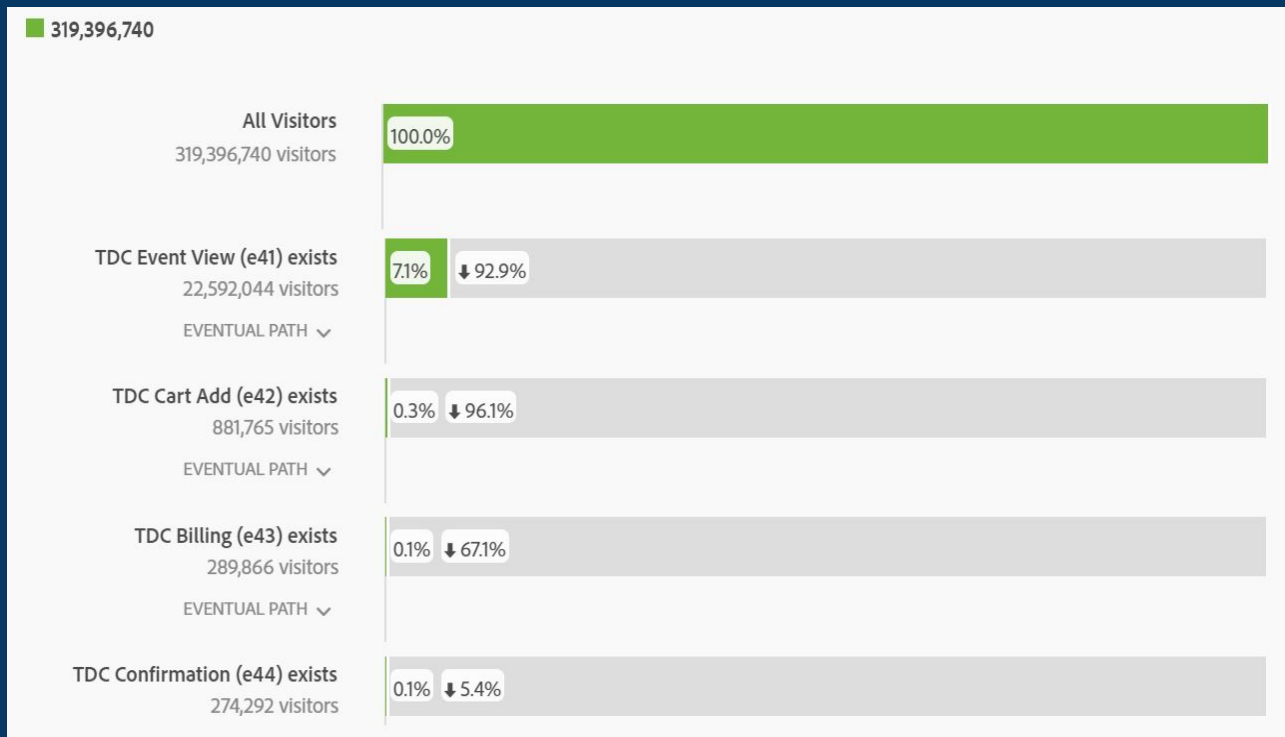
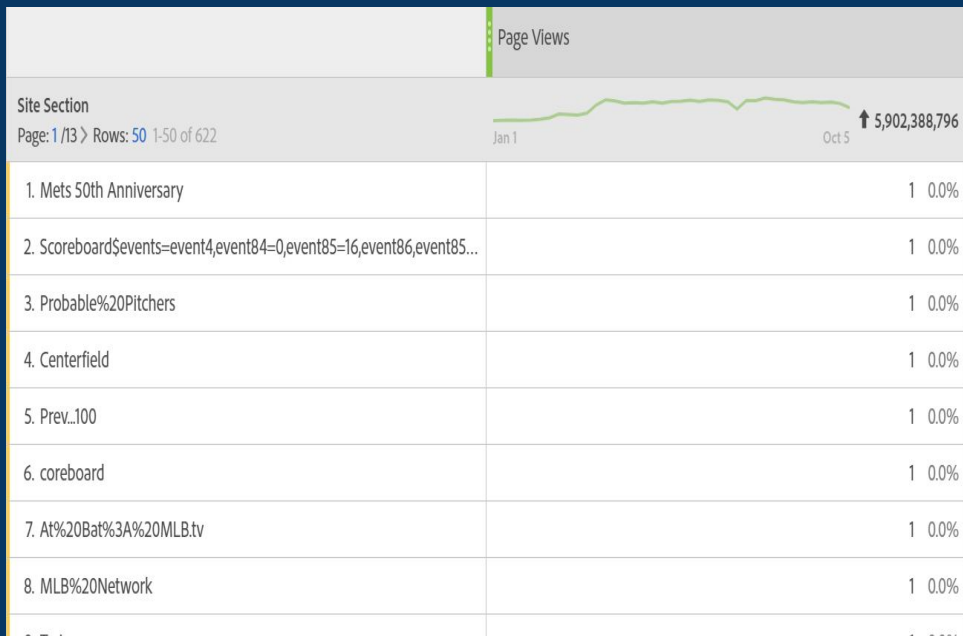


Figure 6: Where is MLB losing customers during the purchase process?

WHICH WEBSITE/APP SECTIONS ARE HARD FOR USERS TO FIND?



39.	glossary	3,682,083	0.1%
40.	All-star	3,395,584	0.1%
41.	Transactions	3,253,768	0.1%
42.	History	3,122,317	0.1%
43.	Trivia	2,744,794	0.0%
44.	AMP Stories	2,731,442	0.0%
45.	Global	2,653,065	0.0%
46.	Player-search	2,514,590	0.0%
47.	shop	2,493,559	0.0%
48.	Postseason	2,130,184	0.0%
49.	network-tv	1,984,566	0.0%



Figures 7 & 8: Illustrates site sections with a low number of page views.

DIFFERENCES IN USER COHORTS

	Visits from Campaign	Visits with a Referrer	iOS	Android	USA	Canada	article	non article
Metrics Page: 1 / 1 Rows: 50 1-8 of 8	↓							
1. Page Views	23,592,529	136,774,504	40,175,037	30,658,549	108,212,988	6,745,498	40,518,920	147,923,534
2. Visits	6,323,268	33,274,835	17,035,290	8,127,707	29,508,874	1,277,030	8,615,321	35,637,880
3. Revenue	\$3,925,307	\$11,741,067	\$4,065,196	\$1,154,646	\$15,702,786	\$166,691	\$1,203,290	\$16,080,129
4. Orders	18,783	72,293	33,299	11,849	95,345	1,483	6,976	99,946
5. Revenue / Order	\$208.98	\$162.41	\$122.08	\$97.45	\$164.69	\$112.40	\$172.49	\$160.89
6. Revenue / Visitor	\$1.51	\$0.76	\$0.49	\$0.35	\$1.14	\$0.34	\$0.60	\$1.00
7. Revenue / Visits	\$0.62	\$0.35	\$0.24	\$0.14	\$0.53	\$0.13	\$0.14	\$0.45
8. Orders per Visit	0.0030	0.0022	0.0020	0.0015	0.0032	0.0012	0.0008	0.0028






Figure 9: Important KPI differences amongst cohorts.



DIFFERENCES IN USER COHORTS

iOS

	Visits	Page Views	Page Events	Unique Visitors
Segments	 1,247,621,805	 8,574,533,937	 14,465,805,391	7,300,643
Page: 1 / 1 Rows: 50 1-2 of 2	Jan 1	Jan 1	Jan 1	
1. non MLB.TV subscribers	1,186,263,301 95.1%	8,123,992,759 94.7%	13,762,844,502 95.1%	7,070,573 96.8%
2. MLB.TV subscribers	61,358,504 4.9%	450,541,178 5.3%	702,960,889 4.9%	230,070 3.2%

Android

	Visits	Page Views	Page Events	Unique Visitors
Segments	 885,075,175	 2,159,495,889	 4,406,267,197	 3,522,885
Page: 1 / 1 Rows: 50 1-2 of 2	Jan 1 Oct 5	Jan 1	Jan 1	Jan 1 Oct 5
1. non MLB.TV subscribers	884,351,091 99.9%	2,157,540,644 99.9%	4,403,103,368 99.9%	3,521,755 100.0%
2. MLB.TV subscribers	724,084 0.1%	1,955,245 0.1%	3,163,829 0.1%	1,130 0.0%



Figures 10 & 11: Important KPI differences amongst cohorts.

HOW ARE CUSTOMERS BEING UNDERSERVED?



It is difficult to reach the tickets page while navigating through the MLB site and can be seen from the fallout for purchases which can be attributed to the fact that MLB groups a lot of other events as well with the tickets page.



After going through the **Internal Search Terms** for MLB in Adobe Analytics, it was observed that only players names were found in it which can be attributed to the fact that **MLB does not have a General Search on its website.**



According to the page views, the network tv received less views which could mean that customers are having a hard time reaching it.



BOTTOM OF THE 9TH

Majority of MLB site users are reaching the Tickets page from the homepage, with Schedule coming in second place

Most fans are coming to the MLB site via site bookmarks - keep up this customer and team loyalty



For mobile, it would be wise to do one of two things (or both):

- (1) Aim your primary focus to Apple users, as iOS returns significantly more revenue
- (2) Increase marketing for Android users, in order to hopefully increase revenue.

Make the network tv page more accessible to customers.

Put a general search bar on the homepage so that it is easier for customers to find what they are looking for.

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A St. Louis Cardinals player, wearing jersey number 50, is the central figure, celebrating with his arms raised in a 'V' shape. He is wearing a white Cardinals jersey with red sleeves and a red cap. In the background, a umpire in a black uniform is visible. In the foreground, several teammates are seen from behind, wearing white jerseys with red numbers and names. The scene is set on a baseball field with green grass and brown dirt.

THANK YOU

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BENNETT
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SPIEZIO
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RODRIGUEZ
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DUNCAN
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VIZCAINO
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MONTANA
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