

# How to assess the impact of Google algorithm updates



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#### Date the changes

Make a note of when you start seeing an impact and any other

significant activity. This will help

you compare and benchmark

data as you carry out your audits.

Comparing your site to other players in your industry can help identify if ranking changes are specific to you or part of a wider

## Compare the impact on your competitors



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trend.



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## Isolate affected queries

Use Google Search Console to

identify trends and understand

which queries were impacted

because not all keywords offer

the same value.





### **Assess the SERP**

Look for changes on the search

#### engine results pages that can

cause sudden shifts in traffic.

New content formats like Rich

Results can impact rankings.



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# Keep calm and keep optimizing

Don't panic. Take a moment to assess the impact, consider how

you can address any changes in

business-critical traffic, and then

move forward.