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"Steve Chen" <steve@youtube.com>
From:
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Received Date:
                         2006-10-08 06:58:25 GMT
Subject:
                         Re: diligence questions
I have sent this already?
-s
On Oct 7, 2006, at 3:29 PM, Salar Kamangar wrote:
> Any lluck on this one? Thx, salar
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> ----Original Message-----
> From: Steve Chen
> To: Salar Kamangar
> Sent: Fri Oct 06 15:03:02 2006
> Subject: Re: diligence questions
> Will do in about 20. Just getting back to the office now. Thanks.
> ----Original Message----
> From: "Salar Kamangar"
> Date: Fri, 6 Oct 2006 14:57:25
> To: "Steve Chen" <steve@youtube.com>
> Subject: Re: diligence questions
> if you could send us a couple hundred random playbacks so we can get
> going with categorizing the playbacks, that'd be great.
> thx,
> --salar
> On 10/5/06, Salar Kamangar
                                                   wrote:
>>> * What do you mean with upload sources? Because, with MySpace
>>> videos, they're still uploaded directly to YouTube and then the
>>> embed
>>> code is pulled from our site and pasted onto MySpace.
>> sorry, i was confused. i meant embeds from myspace.
>>> * You should be able to tell what the # of embeds and total # of
>>> video views from the stats that I'm attaching.
>> so only about 12% of playbacks are embedded? roughly what % of those
>> come from myspace? and can you breakdown the remaining 88% into
>> anything more specific, like the % that are discovered from the
>> youtube site, vs emailed, vs linked from web pages?
>>> * There is no filtration going on for the top browse lists. Let me
>>> know if you'd still like the breakdown of the 10,000 video views.
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"Salar Kamangar" |

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>> if it's not difficult, it would be nice to see ~10k video views
>> broken
>> down into your 50 categories. the more important data would be
>> categorizing a small random # of video views into the categories
>> specified below (actually, only private vs public, and % of views
>> where there may be a copyright issue; the language types we can guess
>> at based on your country data, and category would be covered by the
>> above 10K video request)
>>> As for the growth rate dropping off, if you look at the history of
>>> views in the past 12 months, we have hit certain artificial
>>> bottlenecks that are lifted when we add more database machines,
>>> servers, web servers, and video servers. In this case, we have had
>>> an interrupted supply of servers from our vendors and we're running
>>> at 0% capacity on image servers and web servers for the last 2
>>> weeks.
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>> just quickly eyeballing the data (i didn't compute growth rates), it
>> looks like the slowdown started about 4 weeks ago, not 2 weeks ago...
>> is there are a different explanation, or did the slowdown actually
>> start 2 weeks ago?
>>> On the ops side, did you want me to wait until the conversation with
>>> your folks to do the deep dive there? I could also do it through
>>> email. I wanted to know what you meant with the "what securities
>>> in place"? Is that pertaining to the physical security of our data
>>> centers? Of our machines? Or of the software securities such as
>>> firewalls and IP-address blocking?
>> it'll be easier to get a couple of folks on the phone with you. i'll
>> have names tomorrow. they'll probably want to ask those questions
>> above and more...
>>> Thanks. Don't hesitate to call if there are any follow-up
>>> questions.
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>> thanks!
>> --salar
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>>> On Oct 5, 2006, at 2:10 PM, Salar Kamangar wrote:
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>>>> Hi Steve.
>>>> Nice talking with you, and I look forward to spending a lot more
>>>> time
>>>> in person. I'm very excited about joining forces with Youtube.
>>>> Amit's email address is amitp@google.com. Kourosh's is
>>>> kourosh@google.com. They both have a heads-up that you'll be
>>>> setting
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>>>> up a phone call with them to talk about logging.
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>>>> And below are the questions I referenced. If anything isn't
>>>> clear, or
>>> you can get to the same question I'm asking in a way that involves
>>>> less work, please let me know.
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>>>> Best,
>>>> --Salar
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>>>> Prod:
>>> - definition of playbacks;
>>> - ave length of video, and ave length that a "playback" is seen
>>> - upload sources, including % of uploads from myspace
>>> - please categorize playback sources: embedded in pages (at least
>>>> broken out for myspace) vs emailed vs discovered on youtube
>>>> (search or
>>>> browsed)
>>> - can you provide a random sample of playbacks (say 500), and
>>>> roughly
>>>> categorize them by categories including private, potentially
>>>> copyright
>>>> issues, language spoken, and type of video (music video, news,
>>> user-generated, etc); if easier you can give us the URL's and we'll
>>>> categorize
>>> - can you categorize a larger random sample of playbacks (say
>>>> 10,000)
>>>> into your 50 topic categories? if you need to do this manually, a
>>>> smaller set is fine
>>> - are the most frequently seen videos.. "Browse Video Today, This
>>>> Week, This Month, All Time"... really the most frequent, or is
>>>> there
>>>> some filtering? if it's correct, it gvies us a sense of the most
>>>> commonly played back videos, so we don't need to ask for any
>>>> additional info on what videos are played most frequently
>>> - roughly in which countries are videos getting played
>>> - why has your growth rate dropped off this month relative to last
>>> - what metrics do you track? (Uploads, registered users, active
>>>> users, revenue, advertisers, int'l breakouts, etc). please provide
>>>> those.
>>>> - what do you make of this comscore data and report:
>>>> http://www.marketwatch.com/News/Story/Story.aspx?
>>> dist=newsfinder&siteid=google&guid=%7B1425D570-12BE-4157-
>>>> A598-5A7BBF5D2FBB%7D&keyword=
>>>> Eng [please set-up phone call with Amit Patel and Kourosh to figure
>>>> out what's needed]:
>>> - IP and other log data as needed, so that we can look at how you
>>>> measure playbacks, and how you identify spam
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>>>> Ops [we need to give you names of folks to set-up a meeting and
>>>> figure
>>>> out what's needed]:
>>> - Understand video delivery infrastructure
>>>> - Roughly what's your cost to store and serve each video, broken
>>>> down
>>>> into subparts
>>> - What securities are in place?
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