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About BuzzFeed Inc.
BuzzFeed, Inc. is a premier digital media company for the most diverse, most online, and most socially engaged generations the world has ever seen.
History of growth and innovation.

2006
Jonah Peretti launches BuzzFeed

2012
Launches BuzzFeed News

2014
Launches Tasty

2014
Surpasses $100M in revenue

2015 & 2016
Launches

2016
Launches Tasty kitchenware line debuts at Walmart

2017
Launches Buzzfeed Exchange, a unified programmatic offering

2018
Creates BuzzFeed

2018
<Tasty>

2020
Partnership w/ Lionsgate to produce feature films

2020
Acquires Complex Networks

2020
BuzzFeed, Inc. goes public through SPAC merger with 890 Capital

2021
BuzzFeed, Inc. goes public through SPAC merger with 890 Capital

Lab Experimentation to Grow Audience

Topline Growth

Revenue Model Diversification

Profitable Revenue Growth

(1) Deal signed in March 2021 and closed in December 2021.
(2) Deal signed in November 2020 and closed in February 2021.
Long-term value creation.

- Leading “Media 2.0” platform for the next generation of Internet
- Globally recognized digital brands with massive, engaged audience
- Designed to rapidly scale and monetize digital content
- Demonstrated platform for both growth and industry consolidation
- Reached inflection point with accelerating and profitable growth
- Innovative management team that has been at the forefront of driving digital trends
Our Business Model
Portfolio of premium digital content brands that **define culture.**

**Entertainment & Culture**
- #1 in time spent among Gen Z and Millennials
- Leader in time spent among males Ages 18-24

**Food**
- Over 180 million Facebook followers

**News**
- Pulitzer Prize-winning news organizations

**Emerging Brands**
- Beauty
- Travel
- Health
- Home

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(1) Source: Comscore Media Metrix, Multi-Platform, Key Measures, March 2022 (A18-A34). As compared to competitors including: New York Times Digital, Meredith Corporation, Hearst, Discovery Inc. Conde Nast, Washington Post, Vox Media, Dotdash, Group Nine Media, Vice Media Group, Bustle Digital Group. We define Time Spent as the estimated total number of hours spent by users on (i) our owned & operated US properties, (ii) our content on Apple News, and (iii) on our content on YouTube in the US, as reported by Comscore, and (iv) the estimated total number of hours spent on our content on Facebook, as reported by Facebook. Please refer to Slide 28 in the Appendix for a full definition.

Massive, highly-engaged audience.

Total Annual Time Spent (in hours)

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Scaled model has **powered network effects** creating competitive barriers and driving growth.

**Leading audience & brands**

Nearly 800 million **hours** of content consumed in 2021(1)

**#1 in Time Spent**

among Gen Z and Millennials(2)

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**Data-driven tech platform**

1. Content
2. Audience
3. Data
4. Invest

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**Scaled cross-platform distribution**

- Owned & Operated
- BuzzFeed
- BuzzFeed News
- HuffPost
- Tasty
- Complex Networks

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**Diversified revenue model**

- Social Platforms
- Commerce
- Advertising

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= **profitable growth**

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(1) Please refer to the appendix for the methodology of how time spent is computed

Aligned with massive **secular trends**.

**Video & Social**
Video advertising contributes to traffic growth, increases average session time, **attracts potential customers and increases sales**\(^{(1)}\)

86% of users would like to see more **video content from brands**\(^{(1)}\)

**High Quality Content**
Big Tech platforms in need of trusted, brand-safe supply of digital content at scale

Demand for voices that call for **racial and social justice** and more inclusive, transparent and just business practices

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**eCommerce**

**Shift to eCommerce accelerated** by COVID-19, expanding **markets** as the modern consumer discovers and buys new things\(^{(2)}\)

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Source: (1) Wyzowl Video Marketing Statistics 2020 report; (2) Bank of America E-Commerce Research Oct 2020
Diversified revenue model.

**Advertising**
Ads distributed against our editorial and news content, including display, pre-roll and mid-roll advertising.

**Content**
Custom advertising assets for clients, including both long-form and short-form content.
- Affiliate commission earned on sales transactions initiated from sponsored content.
- BuzzFeed Studios and Complex Networks original studio content.

**Commerce**
Affiliate commission earned on sales transactions initiated from editorial content.
- Royalties on licensing of IP.
- Live events.
Diversified **revenue model** operating at scale.

![Revenue Chart](image)

**Revenue**

- **2020A**
  - Advertising: $321M
  - Content: $120M
  - Commerce: $52M
  - Total: $503M

- **2021A**
  - Advertising: $398M
  - Content: $130M
  - Commerce: $62M
  - Total: $630M

**% Growth**

- Advertising: +37%
- Content: +9%
- Commerce: +24%

**Note:** Dollars in millions. Revenues presented on an as-reported basis (2021A includes HuffPost and Complex from the date of each acquisition).
Delivering **profitability** at scale.

### Adjusted EBITDA$^{(1)}$

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(1) Please refer to Appendix for Adjusted EBITDA reconciliation.
Powered by Rich Audience Insights
Proprietary tech stack creating growth flywheel.

Creating content requires data, technology and scale. All are key competitive moats and differentiators of BuzzFeed, Inc.’s relationship with audiences.

**Proprietary Quiz Maker Built into CMS**

25M unique quiz takers

Enables a dozen varieties of addictive quizzes, with new formats developed regularly

**Headline Optimization**

Post-publication, BuzzFeed’s technology automatically finds the best headline from several options

**Proprietary Machine Learning Algorithms**

Generate both recommendations and automation of what and when to publish on social platforms

**Custom Tools for Content Creators**

Support the efficient creation of the best content from what readers love and engage in, including flipped posts from comments and subbuzz remixer for market

Source: BuzzFeed Client Event Tracking Data, August 2021.
Powering **organic growth** of brands.

In five years, BuzzFeed has built Tasty into a scaled, cross-platform brand with multiple revenue streams.

(1) Source: Tubular Intelligence, March 2022
**Differentiated approach** to cross-platform **content creation** and **distribution**.

Data-driven approach is repeatable & scalable

Reaching our audiences wherever they are

Data-driven business model enables massive audience reach and establishes BuzzFeed, Inc. as a one-stop shop for advertisers
Emerging **businesses.**

Extending our core business model with a continued focus on revenue diversification.

**Commerce**

- A social-first approach to developing **trusted shopping content** created by our editorial team and informed by our strong audience signal.
- Leading customers down the path from discovery to inspiration to real world transactions with a single click.
- Drove ~$600 million in **attributable transactions** in 2021, **up almost ten-fold** since business was launched in 2016.

**BuzzFeed Studios**

- We are capitalizing on **unprecedented demand for premium content** by offering a diverse slate of programming from BuzzFeed Studios.
- Our approach leverages our **proprietary first party data** and **vast library of IP** to develop film and TV concepts that resonate with Gen Z and Millennials.
- Our broader creative leadership position and brand portfolio serves as a platform for **innovative marketing campaigns**.
Our Track Record as an Industry-Leading Consolidation Platform
Completed acquisition of **HuffPost**.

### Acquisition Rationale
- Universally known brand with cross-platform appeal & influence
- Extends leadership position and enhances scale
- Expanding reach into attractive, complementary audiences
- Near term opportunities to lift monetization
- Clear opportunity to drive profitability

### Highlights
- **A Leading News Outlet for Gen Z and Millennials**\(^{(1)}\)
- Pulitzer Prize-Winning Newsroom
- Complementary audience demographic

### Immediate Value Creation
- Rapidly integrated into cross-platform distribution network
- Successfully extended diversified revenue model
- Achieved Profitability Post-Acquisition

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\(^{(1)}\) Comscore Media Metrix, Multi-Platform, Key Measures, March 2022 (18-34). As compared to competitors including: NYTimes.com, Bustle.com, LA Times, The Hill, Politico, and Mashable.com
Completed acquisition of Complex Networks.

Acquisition Rationale

- Expands further into new audiences and verticals with clear category leadership
- Deepens engagement with existing demographic
- Cements opportunity as defining youth media platform
- Clear two-way synergies and monetization opportunities

Highlights

- Leader in Time Spent among males 18-24 (1)
- 1.9x more diverse reader demographic compared to total digital population (2)

Iconic Brands and IP


Long-term **value creation.**

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Appendix
### BuzzFeed, Inc. net income to adjusted EBITDA reconciliation.

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1. Excludes minority interest adjustment relating to non-controlling interests.
2. For the year ended December 31, 2021, reflects costs associated with involuntary terminations of employees across various roles and levels as part of the integration of the HuffPost Acquisition. For the year ended December 31, 2019, reflects costs associated with involuntary terminations of employees across various roles and levels in an effort to better position us to execute on our strategy.
3. Reflects one-time legal, consulting and incremental compensation expenses associated with the acquisition of Complex Networks and the transaction with 890 Fifth Avenue Partners, Inc.
4. Reflects public company readiness costs associated with the establishment of our public company structure and processes.
We define “Time Spent” as the time audiences spend engaging with our content across our owned and operated US sites, as well as YouTube and Apple News in the US, as measured by Comscore and on Facebook, as reported by Facebook.

(Excludes platforms for which we do not have advertising capabilities that materially contribute to our revenues, including TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat and Twitter.)