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INVESTOR PRESENTATION

FOURTH QUARTER 2023

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WHAT WE DO

WE PROVIDE A PLATFORM FOR AD BUYERS.

MOST BUYERS ARE AD AGENCIES, BRANDS, OR OTHER TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES.

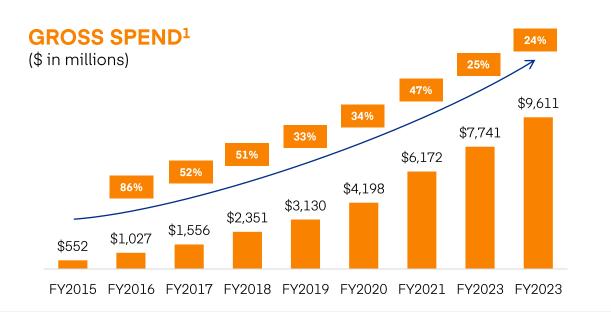


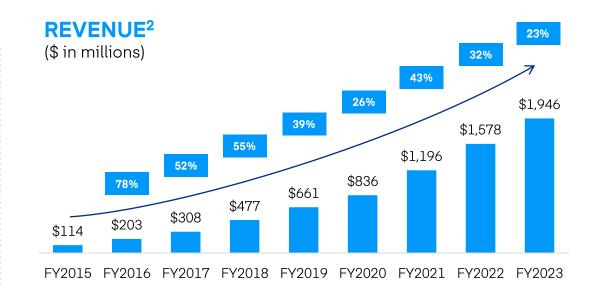
Numbers represent total spend on platform, unless otherwise stated.

Adjusted net income and EBITDA typically excludes items such as depreciation and amortization expense, interest expense, income taxes, stock-based compensation, preferred stock warrant liabilities, and follow-on offering costs. Reconciliation for adjusted net income and adjusted EBITDA can be found in the Company's SEC filings at wwtw.investors.thetradedesk.com/financials/sec-filings.



The Trade Desk by the numbers



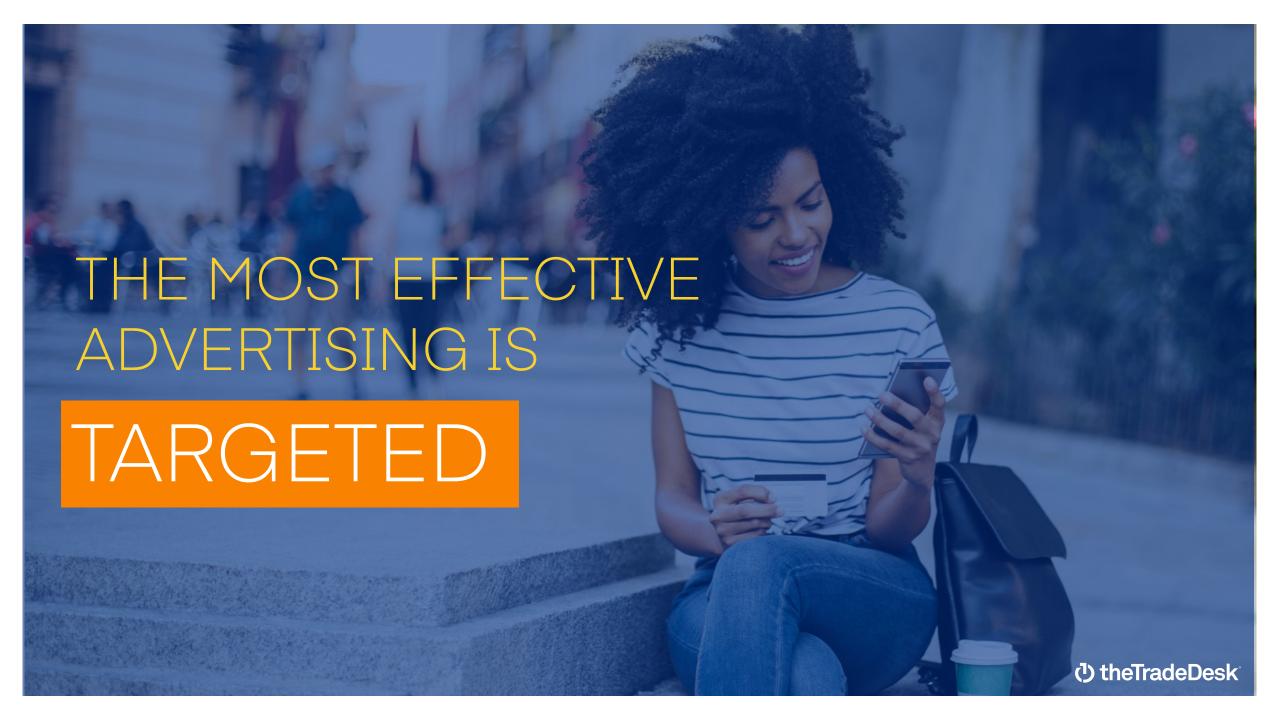




¹⁾ Gross spend, revenue, adjusted net income, and adjusted EBITDA from The Trade Desk's Form 10-K and press release issued on February 15, 2024. Reconciliations of GAAP to non-GAAP amounts for the periods presented herein are provided in schedules accompanying this presentation.



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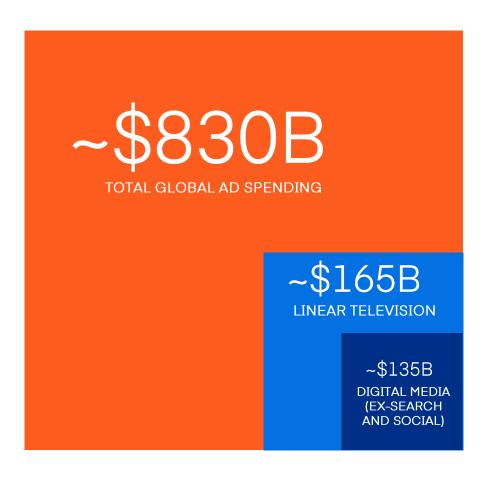


AND IT'S BIGGER THAN JUST A MOVE TO DIGITAL

THE MARKET



We are targeting a massive TAM

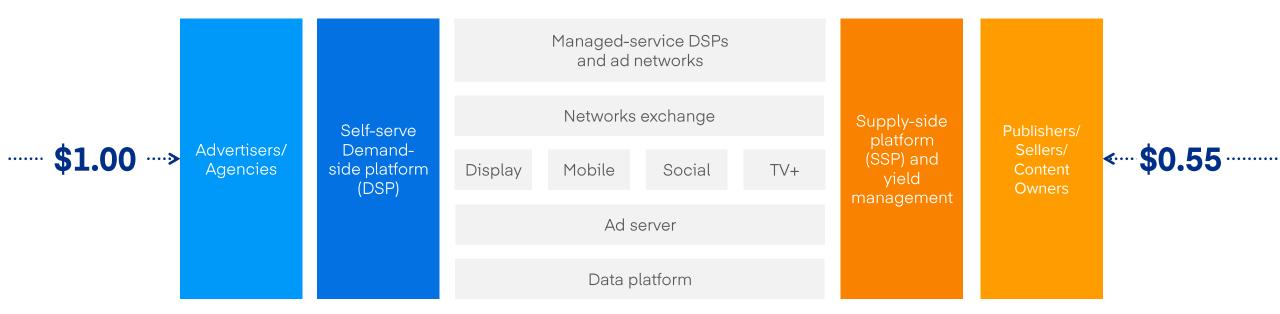


We believe advertising will be transacted digitally. The future of all media is digital and programmatic...

Eventually all media will be digital, and it will be transacted by machines.

- CEO OF A GLOBAL MEDIA
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT GROUP

The pie is getting bigger while waste is being pushed out





WE PROVIDE AGENCIES A

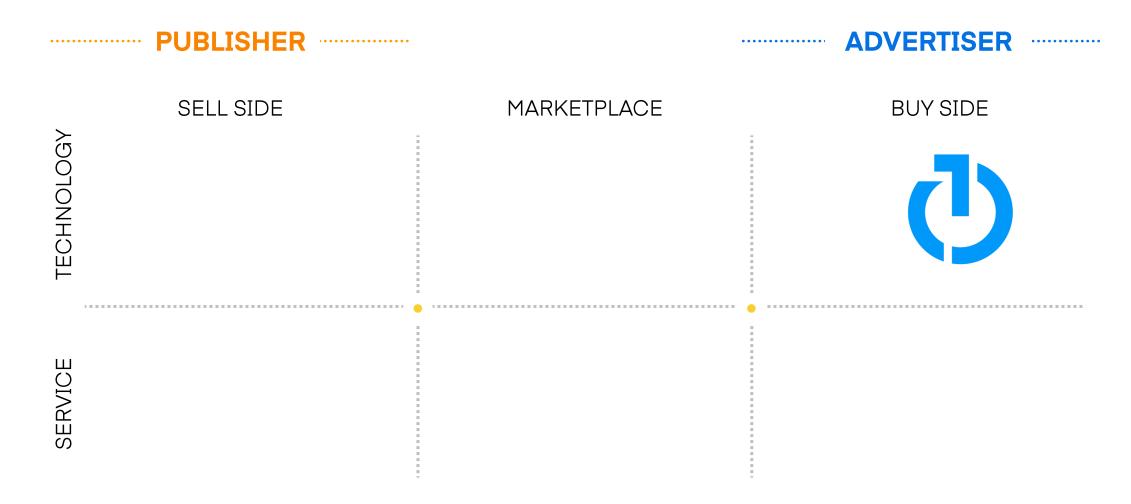
SOFTWARE PLATFORM

We create room for their proprietary advantage.

WE ARE AN ENABLER

NOT A DISRUPTOR

We align agencies and their brands





With hundreds of different players

ADVERTISER













AGENCY













Plus hundreds of independent agencies

DATA MANAGEMENT **PLATFORM**









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AD EXCHANGE



Google Ad Manager

















SSP























PUBLISHER









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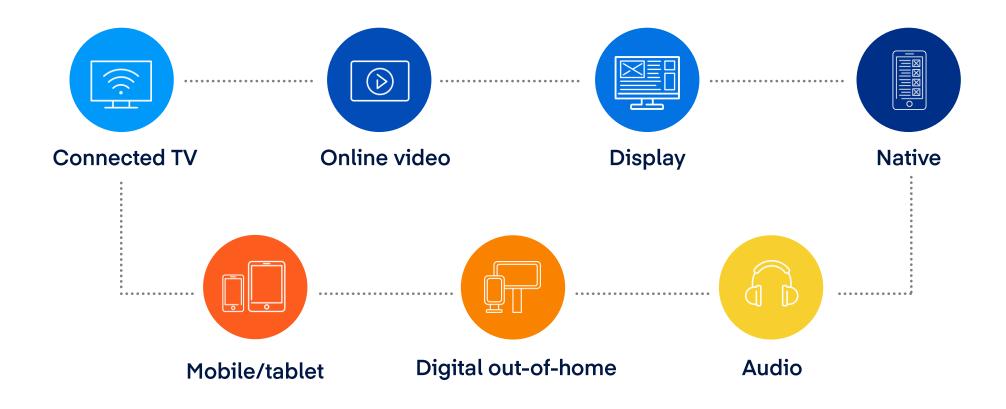
yelp

TRAVEL+ LEISURE





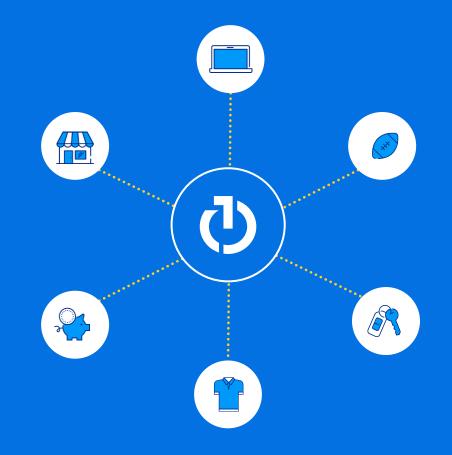
Omnichannel platform with global reach





WE BUY ADVERTISING AND DATA

We power some of the largest brands in the world...



...through their agencies and digital solutions companies.

Diversified across all major verticals

2022 SPEND BY INDUSTRY

Food & Drink	16%
Medical Health	12%
Automotive	11%
Technology & Computing	9%
Shopping	8%
Home & Garden	7%
Personal Finance	6%
Business and Finance	6%
Style & Fashion	4%
Travel	4%
Other	18%

2023 SPEND BY INDUSTRY

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Home & Garden	8%
Shopping	7%
Personal Finance	6%
Travel	6%
Style & Fashion	5%
Business and Finance	5%
Other	16%



A strong global presence

Our global footprint provides our clients with localized marketplace expertise



United States:

Boulder, CO
Chicago, IL
Denver, CO
Detroit, MI
Los Angeles/Irvine, CA
New York, NY
San Francisco/San Jose, CA
Seattle/Bellevue, WA
Ventura, CA

Canada:

Toronto

EMEA

Hamburg, Germany London, U.K. Madrid, Spain Milan, Italy Paris, France Stockholm, Sweden

APAC

North Asia:

Hong Kong Seoul, South Korea Shanghai, China Taiwan Tokyo, Japan

South Asia:

India Jakarta Singapore

Australia:

Melbourne Sydney



Founded in **2009**Went public in **2016**



Global experience and relationships



Over 3,000 employees 29 offices



Regionalized engineering resource



WE BUY THE WHOLE INTERNET

Even media that isn't digital will be transacted digitally, using the internet.























































AGENCIES
(AND THEIR
BRANDS) NEED A
TECHNOLOGY

PARTNER TO TRUST
WITH THEIR DATA.

WE NEED TO ACCESS
THEIR DATA TO HELP THEM.

WE ARE THE ALTERNATIVE
TO THE CONFLICTED
PLATFORM PROVIDERS.

WE BUY DATA TO MAKE BETTER DECISIONS

We focus on being the best partner for our data providers.

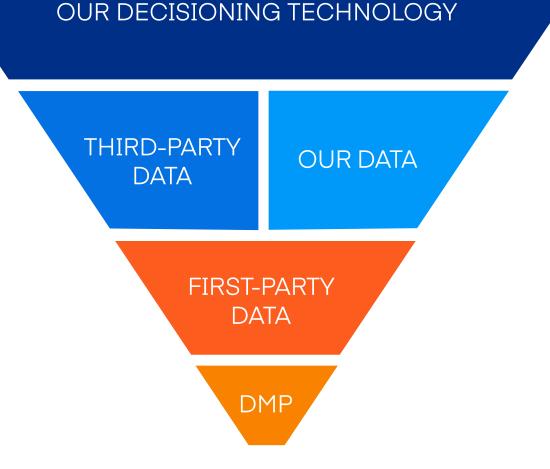




OURTECHNOLOGY

We built a data management platform first

The buyer with the most data can make the most intelligent bid.







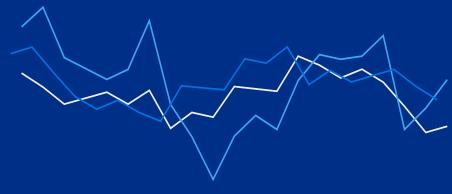
We're built differently than everyone else in the industry

LINE ITEMS

versus

Limits reporting granularity, optimization options, and ability to activate data.

BID FACTORS



The only structure that allows for expressiveness and fine-grain reporting.

GOAL:

The most transparent and most detailed reporting

REPORTING GRAINS

Report out on over 200 performance measures

- ✓ View-through conversion
- ✓ Average bid cost per mille (CPM)
- ✓ Partner CPM
- ✓ Win rate

- ✓ Conversion touch ✓ Total seconds in
 - ✓ Partner viewable CPM (vCPM)
 - ✓ Total audible seconds

✓ Small player

impressions

- ✓ Player audible event ✓ Win rate
- ✓ Player collapse
- ✓ Player skip

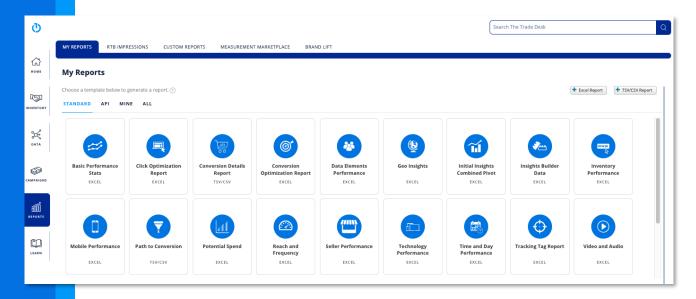
...across over 300 measurable variables

- ✓ Ad environment
 ✓ Browser
- ✓ Ad server placement ID
- ✓ App
- ✓ Audience

- ✓ Site bid factor
- ✓ Category name
 ✓ Third-party data
- ✓ Device type full path
- ✓ Factual proximity ✓ User day of week
- ✓ Inventory contract and hour of day

SIMPLIFIED USER INTERFACE

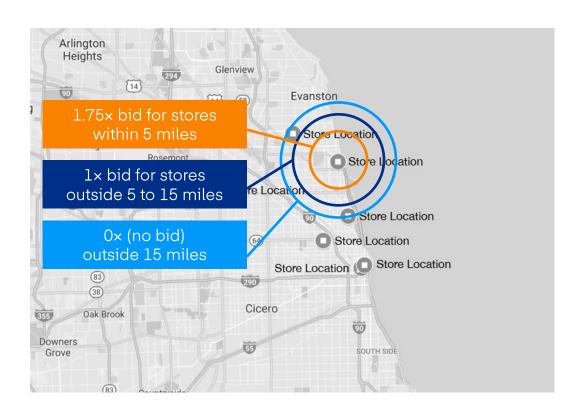
"Expressiveness" at work



STANDARD REPORT TEMPLATES



The Trade Desk and agency reduced client's booking costs by half



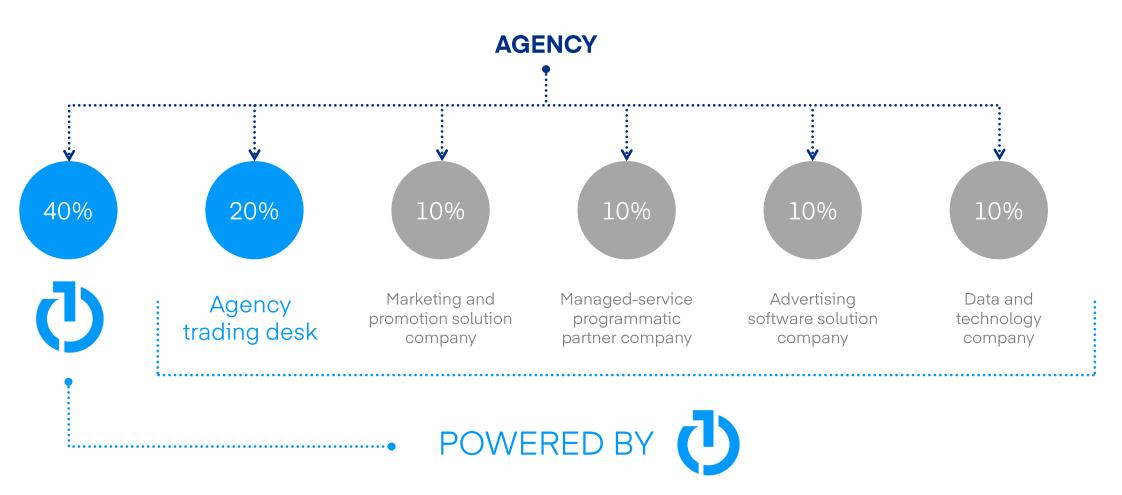
EXPRESSIVENESS = 15,360 BID PERMUTATIONS





Our platform approach wins more of the budget

An example media plan





Unified iD_{2.0}

The what and why...



We collaborate with industry organizations to operate Unified ID 2.0 (UID2) for the open internet.



We built an open-source technology to convert email address to anonymized IDs.



We dedicated internal resources to build the technology.



We believe the open internet must continue to thrive.



UID2 is non-proprietary and available to advertisers, publishers, DSPs, SSPs, single sign-ons (SSOs), customer data platforms (CDPs), CMPs, identity providers, and data and measurement providers that are in compliance with a code of conduct.



IDENTITY MATTERS

Because the future of identity matters

A better foundation for identity



Represents an upgrade, not a cookie replacement.

- Consistent identifier across devices and browsers
- Interoperable



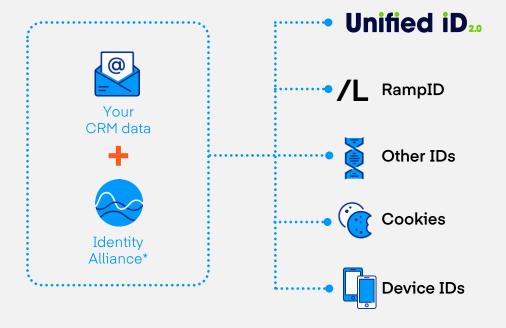


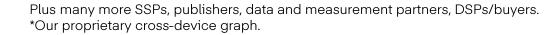
OPEN-SOURCE AND **INTEROPERABLE**



/LiveRamp



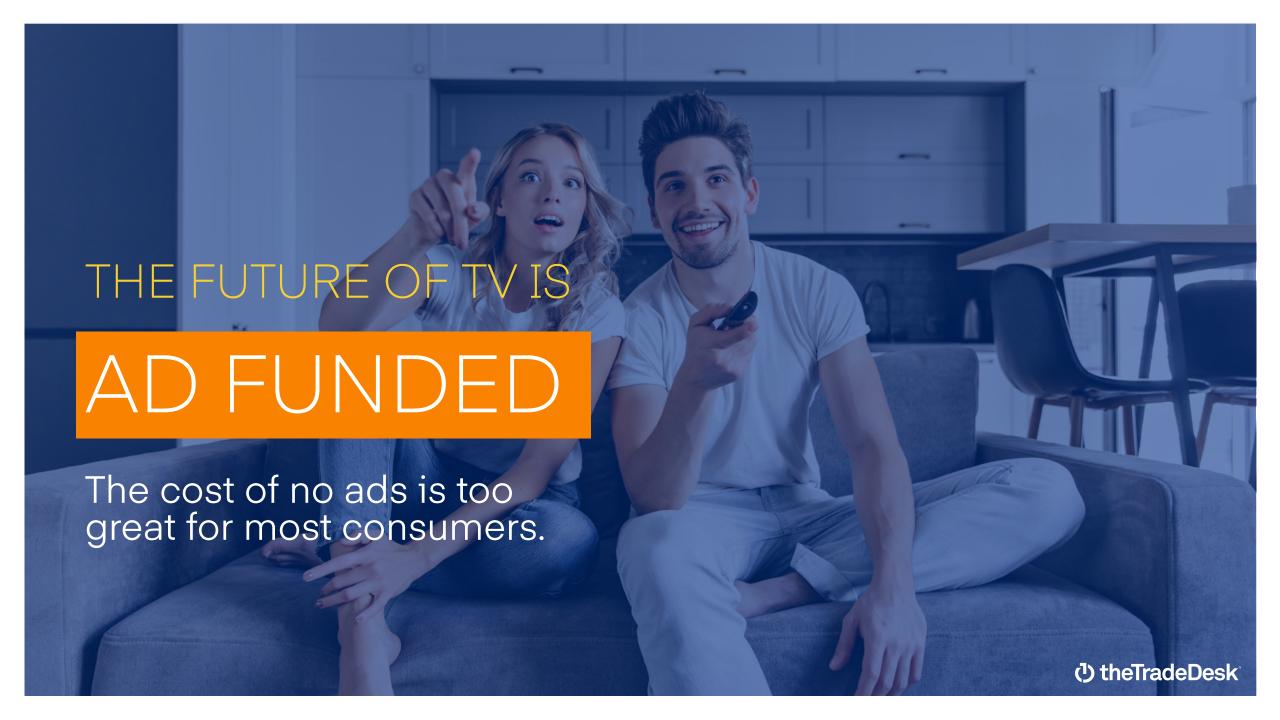






SIGNIFICANT GROWTH DRIVERS





Our story in Connected TV is resonating

You are missing out on a core audience if you're only buying broadcast TV.







OUR REACH IN CTV IS HUGE



90M+

HOUSEHOLDS

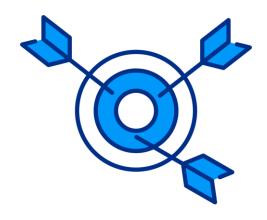


120M+
CTV DEVICES



Decisioning improves TV buying and increases CPMs for publishers

TRADITIONAL TV BUYING \$10 CPM



Currently targeting broad metrics, i.e., designated market areas (DMAs), schedule, and dayparts.

\$20 CPM



DSP targeting includes one-to-one targeting of valuable customers and their households in real time.



Connected TV measurement

Measure and analyze the impact of your Connected TV (CTV) campaigns to inform future strategies.

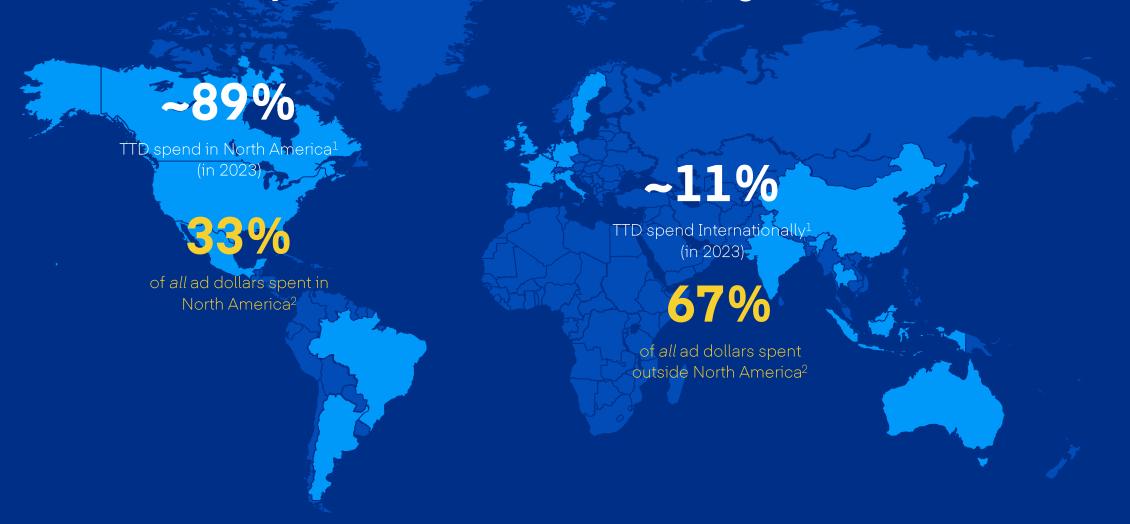
KEY REPORTING METRICS INCLUDE:

- Reports across video screens (over-thetop, desktop, mobile)
- Attribution across devices
- Impressions delivered
- Reach and frequency
- Video completion rates
- Audience reporting
- Nielsen gross rating points (GRPs)/dayafter recall (DAR)
- Sales lift driven by CTV





Top 20 worldwide advertising markets



¹ FY2023 percent of spend provided at The Trade Desk's conference call for the period ended December 31, 2023, and in SEC filings. 2 Source: IDC Global Advertising Spend.



Activating retail data today

theTradeDesk*



















AUDIENCES

MEASUREMENT



Data from #1 retailer



AUDIENCES

HOLISTIC FREQUENCY CONTROL

MEASUREMENT





Retail data is the solution marketers have been waiting for



Deterministic and future-proof



Customer lifetime data



Increase market share



Manage frequency holistically



Our focus for the future...

- 1. Connected TV
- 2. Shopper Marketing
- 3. Kokai
- 4. Global Expansion
- 5. UID2
- 6. Data marketplace
- 7. Supply Path Optimization

OBJECTIVE.
INDEPENDENT.
TRANSPARENT.



HOW DO WE MANAGE OUR BUSINESS?

WE FOCUS ON:



Culture



Customer retention



Spend growth



Efficiency

Strong financial model

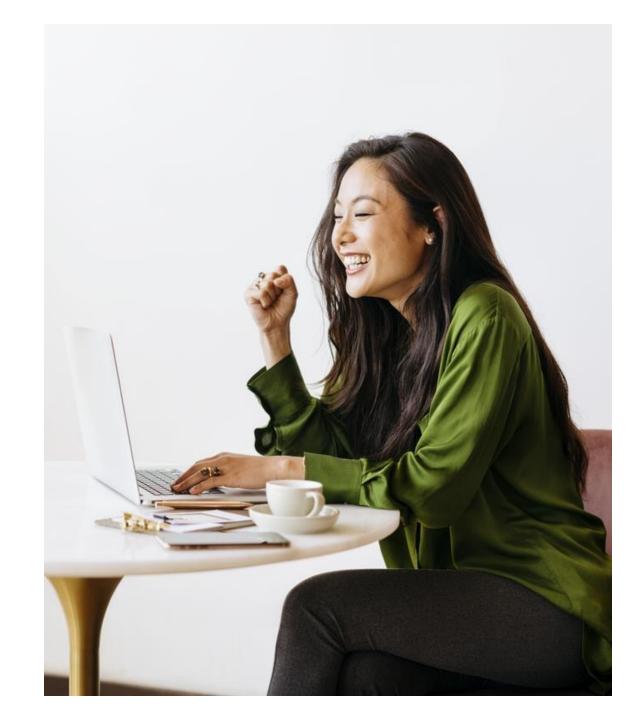
Exceptional top-line growth

Joint Business Plan and MSA-based model with ongoing, established customer relationships

Self-serve software model drives strong operating leverage

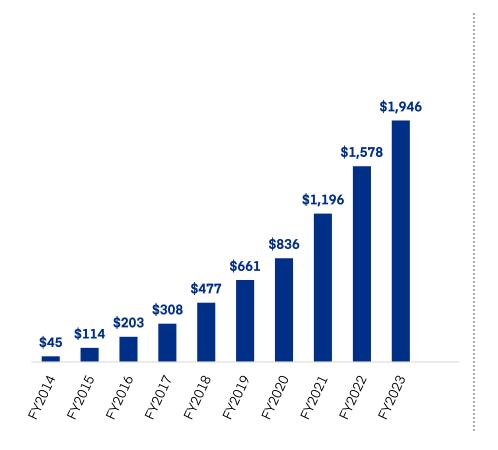
Proven profitability

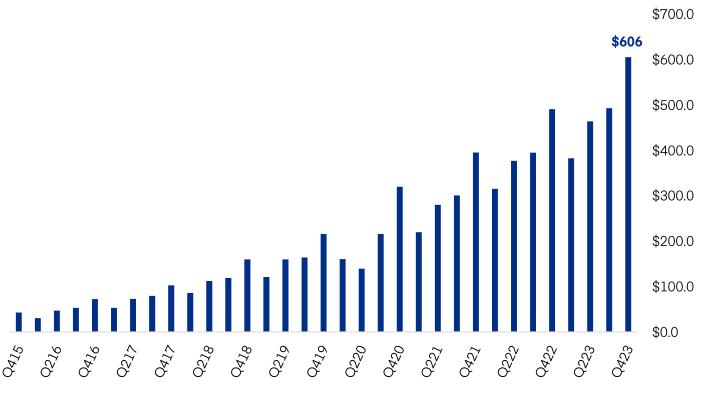
Significant free-cash-flow



Robust revenue growth...

REVENUE (\$ IN MILLIONS)

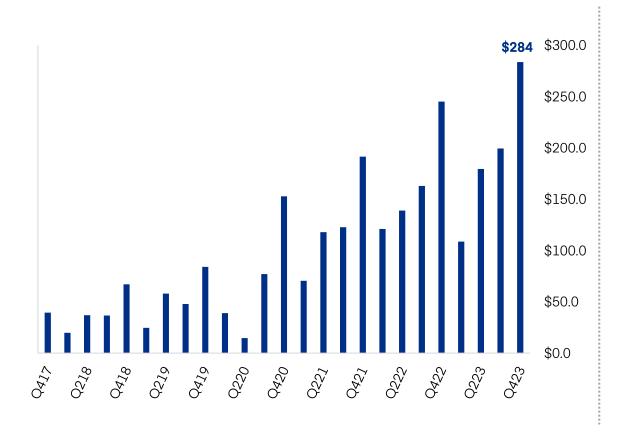




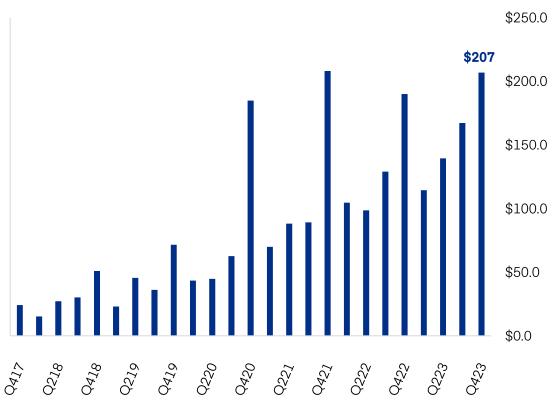


...with substantial profitability





NON-GAAP NET INCOME (\$MILLIONS)





Investment highlights

- 1. Q4 revenue grew 23% year-over-year
 - Significant outperformance vs ad-funded peers and high growth companies over the last 2 years.
- 2. In addition to high growth, strong EBITDA margins and free cash flow generation.
- 3. Total advertising TAM heading toward \$1 trillion.
- 4. CTV is our largest and fastest growing channel and will be for the foreseeable future.
- 5. Still early in tapping into the large Retail Media opportunity.
- 6. Significant opportunity for international growth.
- 7. Objectivity is our greatest asset: we align our interests with the buy-side

THE TRADE DESK IS AN INVESTMENT IN THE OPEN INTERNET.

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Q4 2023 GAAP Financial Information

THE TRADE DESK, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

		Three Months Ended				Year Ended					
	December 31,				December 31,						
		2023	2022		2023		2022				
Revenue	\$	605,797	\$	490,737	\$	1,946,120	\$	1,577,795			
Operating expenses (1):											
Platform operations		100,695		79,619		365,598		281,123			
Sales and marketing		126,793		92,829		447,970		337,975			
Technology and development		102,004		84,479		411,794		319,876			
General and administrative		131,867		133,650		520,278		525,167			
Total operating expenses		461,359		390,577		1,745,640		1,464,141			
Income from operations		144,438		100,160		200,480		113,654			
Total other income, net		(16,238)		(11,960)		(67,515)		(13,716)			
Income before income taxes		160,676		112,120		267,995		127,370			
Provision for income taxes		63,353		40,933		89,055		73,985			
Net income	\$	97,323	\$	71,187	\$	178,940	\$	53,385			
Earnings per share:											
Basic	\$	0.20	\$	0.15	\$	0.37	\$	0.11			
Diluted	\$	0.19	\$	0.14	\$	0.36	\$	0.11			
Weighted-average shares outstanding:											
Basic		489,454		489,217		489,261		486,937			
Diluted	_	499,682		500,432		500,182		499,925			

⁽¹⁾ Includes stock-based compensation expense as follows:

THE TRADE DESK, INC. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION EXPENSE (Amounts in thousands) (Unaudited)

		Three Months Ended December 31,				Year Ended December 31,				
	2023		_	2022		2023		2022		
Platform operations	\$	6,406	\$	4,031	\$	21,048	\$	18,285		
Sales and marketing		21,885		15,724		75,924		64,442		
Technology and development		29,540		27,564		120,823		94,822		
General and administrative (1)		63,604		80,212		273,826		321,093		
Total	\$	121,435	\$	127,531	\$	491,621	\$	498,642		

⁽¹⁾ Includes stock-based compensation expense related to a long-term CEO performance grant of \$42 million and \$66 million for the three months ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, as well as \$198 million and \$262 million for the twelve months ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.



Supplemental Non-GAAP Information

Non-GAAP Financial Metrics

(Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts)

The following tables show the Company's non-GAAP financial metrics reconciled to the comparable GAAP financial metrics included in this release.

	Three Months Ended December 31,				Year Ended December 31,				
		2023	_	2022		2023		2022	
Net income Add back (deduct):	\$	97,323	\$	71,187	\$	178,940	\$	53,385	
Depreciation and amortization expense		20,529		16,844		80,418		54,425	
Stock-based compensation expense		121,435		127,531		491,621		498,642	
Interest income, net		(18,952)		(11,434)		(68,508)		(12,755)	
Provision for income taxes		63,353		40,933		89,055		73,985	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	283,688	\$	245,061	\$	771,526	\$	667,682	
		Three Months Ended December 31,				Year Ended December 31,			
		2023		2022		2023		2022	
GAAP net income Add back (deduct):	\$	97,323	\$	71,187	\$	178,940	\$	53,385	
Stock-based compensation expense		121,435		127,531		491,621		498,642	
Adjustment for income taxes		(11,896)		(8,576)		(42,462)		(29,995)	
Non-GAAP net income	\$	206,862	\$	190,142	\$	628,099	\$	522,032	
GAAP diluted earnings per share	\$	0.19	\$	0.14	\$	0.36	\$	0.11	
GAAP weighted-average shares outstanding—diluted	_	499,682	_	500,432	_	500,182	_	499,925	
Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share	\$	0.41	\$	0.38	\$	1.26	\$	1.04	
Non-GAAP weighted-average shares used in computing Non-GAAP earnings per share, diluted		499,682		500,432		500,182		499,925	

