# 2022 eCPM Predictions

Mediavine looked at historical data to make a visual guide to eCPM for the year ahead.

Use this guide as a planning tool, but know that the data presented here is only an estimate because eCPM varies widely by many factors including country of origin and niche.



**Q1** 

#### FIRST MONTH OF EACH QUARTER

The first day of every quarter often sees a big dip while advertisers plan their spending.

#### MIDDLE MONTH

Though eCPMs will invariably drop on the first day of each month, they will climb during this second month.

#### **FINAL MONTH**

As the quarter ends, eCPMs climb higher as advertisers rush to spend their budgets.

## **JANUARY 2022**

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#### **HOLIDAYS & EVENTS IN Q1**

Jan. 1 New Year's Day

Feb. 13 Super Bowl

Feb. 14 Valentine's Day

Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day



Starting after the holidays, Q1 always sees a big dip in earnings on New Year's Day. As the quarter progresses, advertisers' spend increases as they assess their budgets. Q1 is typically the lowest earning quarter.

# **APRIL 2022 MAY 2022 JUNE 2022** 2 **Q2 HOLIDAYS & EVENTS IN Q2** April 17 Easter The second quarter sees advertising spend increase May 8 Mother's Day around holidays and things like graduation season. May 30 Memorial Day Typically Q2 is a bit better than Q1. June 19 Father's Day **JULY 2022 AUGUST 2022** SEPTEMBER 2022 **Q3** (26) We call Q3 the "summer slump," because it's typical to see **HOLIDAYS & EVENTS IN Q3** advertising spend drop off at the beginning of July, but it July 4 U.S. Independence Day tends to ramp up throughout the quarter. Sept. 5 Labor Day

#### **HOLIDAYS & EVENTS IN Q4**

Oct. 31 Halloween

**Q4** 

Nov. 24 Thanksgiving

Nov. 25 Black Friday

Nov. 28 Cyber Monday

Dec. 25 Christmas Day

Dec. 31 New Year's Eve

#### **NOVEMBER 2022**

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Ka-ching! Q4 is the top quarter for many publishers because advertising spend is high as advertisers rush to spend the rest of their budgets before the end of the year. Spend is highest between Black Friday and Christmas Day and drops off as the year comes to a close.

# **HOW TO PREPARE FOR EACH QUARTER**

1 Look at top posts from previous quarters.

Optimize that content for ads and SEO.

Re-share it and make new content.

Low eCPM High eCPM

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