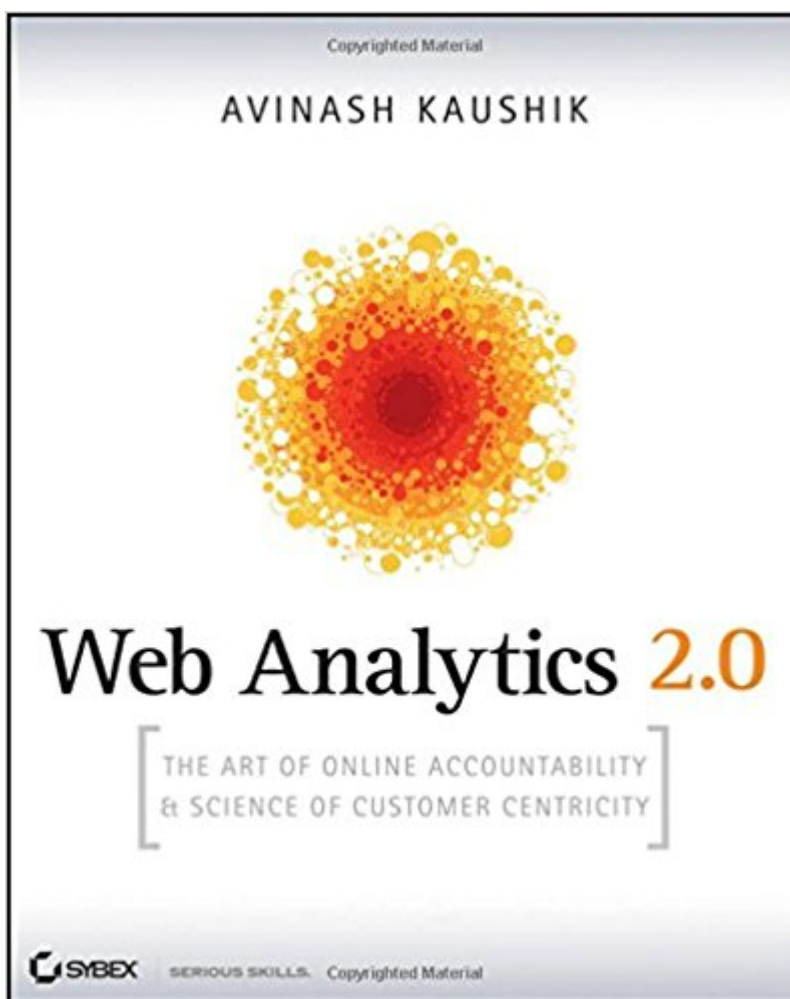


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# Web Analytics 2.0: The Art Of Online Accountability And Science Of Customer Centricity



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What a fun to read author! This is one book I actually looked forward to reading, not only for how absolutely informative it was, but for the author's fun sense of humor. Kaushik is a foremost authority on all things "web metrics" and has a great blog as well as being a great author. I can't imagine anyone being disappointed with this book as far as wanting to learn the basics (or remembering what is important, for those already experienced). For beginners, Kaushik covers the most important things to focus on early, so you don't get overwhelmed. He then provides the extras that are good to incorporate once you get comfortable with the beginning stuff. For experienced users, Kaushik reminds you of how going back to the basics and getting out of the weeds will improve your results, and again, provides the advanced concepts as well. This book was easy to understand for me, as a beginner and had lots of great examples.

Web Analytics 2.0 is not a sequel to Kaushik's first book Web Analytics: An Hour a Day. The latter was a hard core offering that covered all aspects of the subject. 2.0 is a more general book that covers a wide range of topics related to and around Web Analytics. The coverage of Social Media and Mobile analytics is sparse and that's my only gripe. Considering that both topics are quite hot and that Social Media has gained maturity it would have been helpful to have both these covered in depth. That said the book is pretty robust in its coverage of a wide mix of topics. The list of tools mentioned is also quite exhaustive. Key Takeaways

- Paid Web Analytics providers are better than the free ones if you need advanced reporting. The other reason is that the paid tools integrate well with other allied offerings/tools. (A project that I'm working on validates both these points)
- Data needs to be actionable. No point collecting old data if the business cannot use it
- Keep an eye on the competition using Google Insights For Search (contains search

keyword data on[...] only), Google Trends (contains broad web usage data), Compete, Hitwise. Also check Google Ad Planner and Quantacast since both use self reported data. Most analytics tools now allow you to benchmark against specific verticals. Use tools like page level/site level surveys to gather user feedback(kampyle, uservice, opinionlab). The Voice of the Consumer is necessary to fill in the gaps Now if only we could get key sales and marketing folks to read this book and understand how much data is there for them to use Tools Web Analytics: Omniture, WebTrends, CoreMetrics, Google Analytics Mobile Analytics: Bango Analytics, [...], [...] Experimentation and Testing: Google Optimizer, Omniture Test and Target, Optimost, Sitespect Voice of the Customer: 4Q, iPerceptions, Foresee Results, Ethnio Competitive Intelligence: Google Insights For Search, Google Trends, Compete, Hitwise, Technorati, Google Ad Planner, Quantacast Analytics Tags Audit: SiteAudit(ObservePoint) SEO gaps, Web Application Performance Management, more : Maxamine, Coradiant Page level/site level surveys to gather user feedback: Kampyle, Uservice, Opinionlab Usability: Ethnio, Usertesting Analyze Actual Online Experiences: Tealeaf, Clicktale Information Architecture: OptimalSort, [...] Visual heat maps: Feng-gui.com, Crazyegg Keyword Analysis: Google Adwords Tool, Wordtracker, KeywordSpy Onsite Behavior Targeting Platforms: Audience Science, kefta, Netmining, BT Buckets(free) Paid Search Tools: Marin software, Kenshoo, ClickEquations For this and other Web Marketing articles, my blog: [...]

I just finished Web Analytics 2.0. I really, really liked it. What impressed me from the get-go is the obvious enthusiasm for the topic. Avinash Kaushik is clearly a guy having fun, and it shows. This could be a rather dry subject (it is, after all, a lotta numbers), but Mr. Kaushik made it easy to understand. And he also impressed why it's so vital. ROI is key, and anyone who can show ROI (and show it quickly, and without too much invested pain) will be able to get and keep a job these days. But he also showed how to actually, (somewhat) objectively measure it. Not guess at it and not hint at it, but actually know it, as well as we can know anything. And this is very powerful. Far too often, social media jobs focus just on tools. It's all about how adept you are at tweeting, etc. And while that's important, it's only one portion of the big picture. It's also got to be about content, it's got to be about reach (SEO). It's got to be about design and usability. And the underpinning to all of it is measurements. For even with a perfectly beautiful website with awesome SEO and design, it doesn't matter much if conversion isn't measurable. Mr. Kaushik shows how to measure conversion, and so much more. This book is truly a worthwhile read, whether you are getting started or are an old pro. I can't say enough good things about it.

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