



Balancing Revenues with User Experience

Free-to-play lessons from the new mobile leaders

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Intro



1999 Online



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2001 Mobile





2006 Browser f2p



2009 iOS p2p



2011 Mobile f2p





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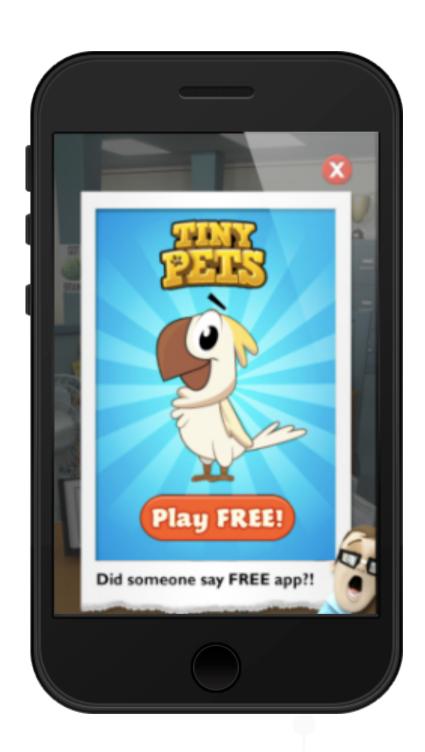
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The Advertising Model



Engaging Formats





Placement and frequency





Date	App Name	Ad Location	OS	CTR Delivered 9.77%	
2013 Aug	My Horse	Default	iOS		
2013 Aug	My Horse	post_muck	iOS	11.94%	
2013 Aug	My Horse	post_paddockcare	iOS	8.28%	
2013 Aug	My Horse	post_groom	iOS	12.34%	
2013 Aug	My Horse	post_treating	iOS	13.73%	
2013 Aug	My Horse	post_feed	iOS	12.14%	
2013 Aug	My Horse	post_launch	iOS	9.49%	



Cross-promotion: Explore specific locations to promote your own content

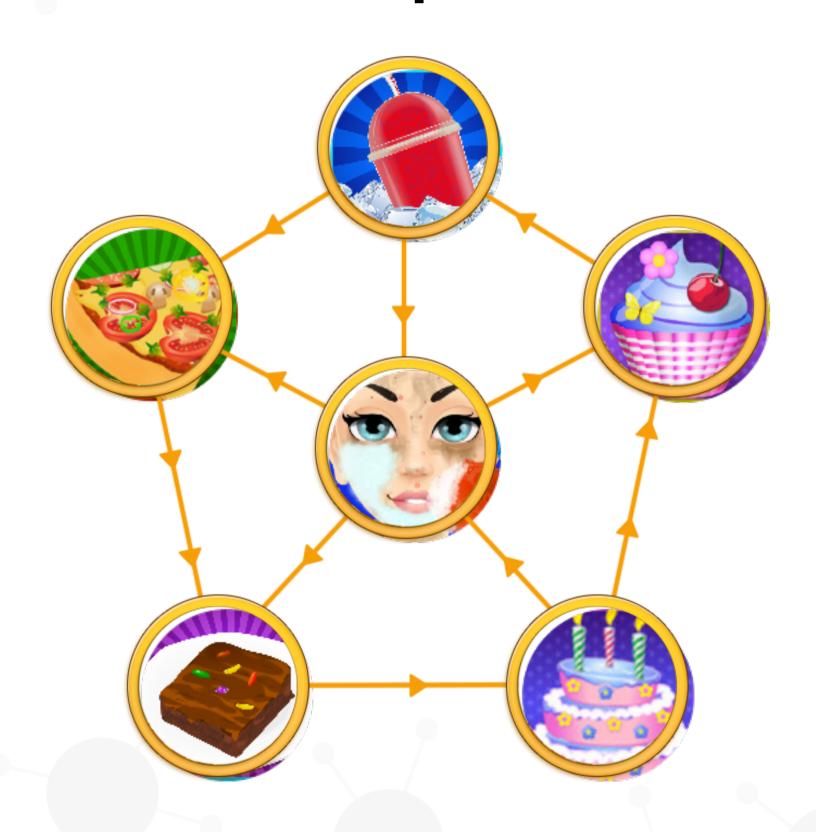
Ongoing optimization



Example report: Apps Advertised by Get Set Games

Apps	Impressions	Clicks	Installs	Money Earned	CTR	i-rate	eCPM
	1,604,485	181,403	4,275	\$6,505	11.3%	2.4%	\$4.05
	1,566,964	148,267	7,859	\$10,049	9.5%	5.3%	\$6.43
	1,300,644	152,719	30,189	\$42,265	11.7%	19.8%	\$32.50
	1,135,991	195,393	10,586	\$14,820	17.2%	5.4%	\$13.0
	760,534	73,276	3,467	\$5,686	9.6%	4.7%	\$7.4
	756,662	76,706	1,332	\$1,982	10.1%	1.7%	\$2.6
	713,960	62,967	2,822	\$7,902	8.8%	4.5%	\$11.0
	697,408	90,443	3,292	\$477	13.0%	3.6%	\$0.6
	467,286	48,067	2,280	\$2,407	10.3%	4.7%	\$5.1
	437,384	64,717	909	\$318	14.8%	1.4%	\$0.7
	434,573	65,432	2,805	\$5,610	15.1%	4.3%	\$12.9
	336,212	31,471	1,402	\$1,562	9.4%	4.5%	\$4.6
	4,218,186	507,329	24,416	\$20,787	12.0%	4.8%	\$4.9
	14,430,289	1,698,190	95,634	\$120,370	11.8%	5.6%	\$8.3

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The IAP leaders



Integration with Gameplay



Charm of Stripes

Sharm of Stripes

\$16,99

\$39,99

\$24,99

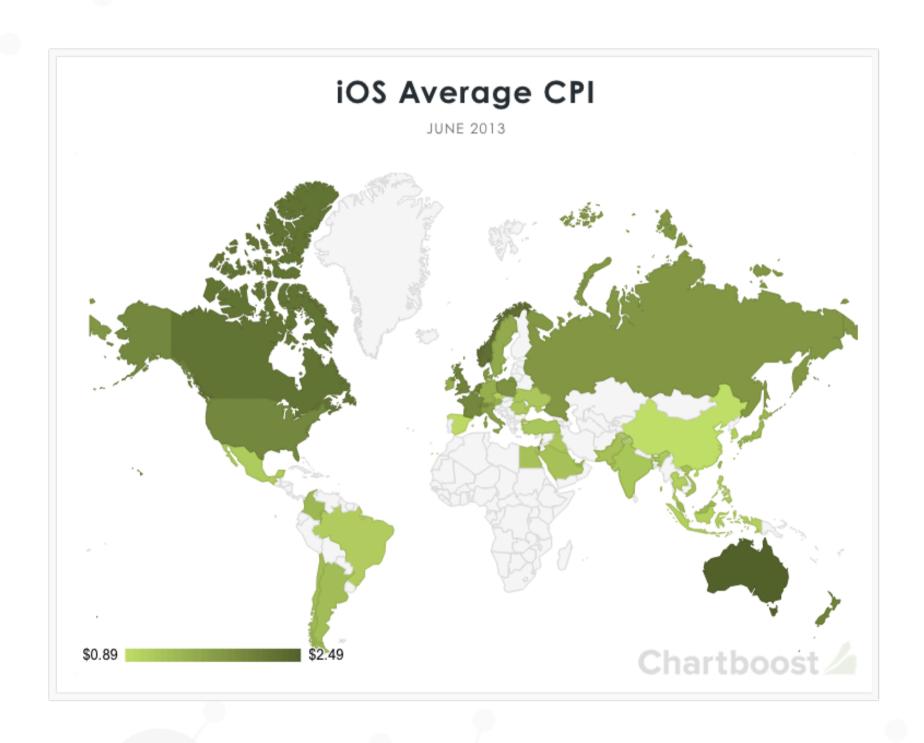
Adjusted to the user profile



Consumables when you need them

Menus designed for conversion

Understanding the user value

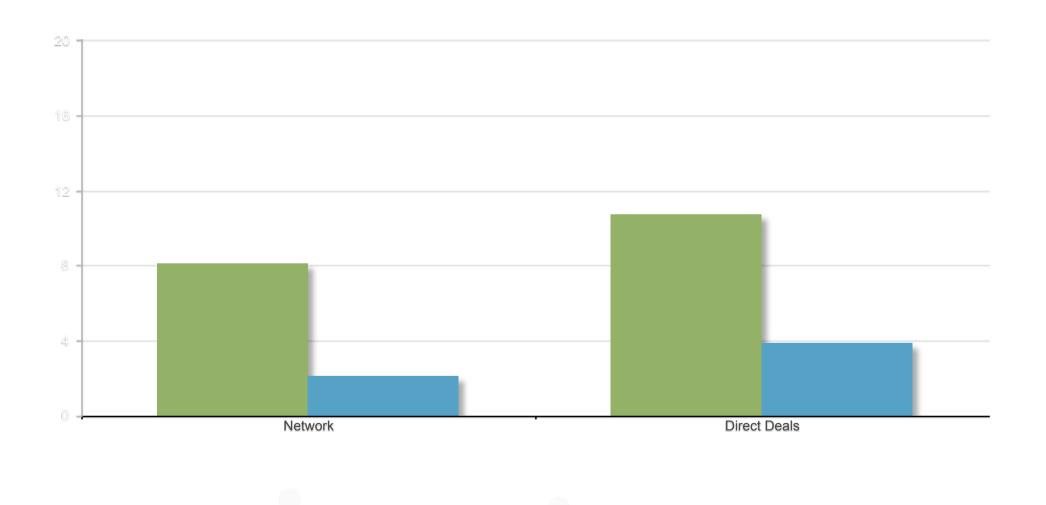


Source: https://www.chartboost.com/insights/ios-cpi-by-country

Direct Campaigns

Performance by Campaign Type

Chartboost Platform, May 2013



Install Rate

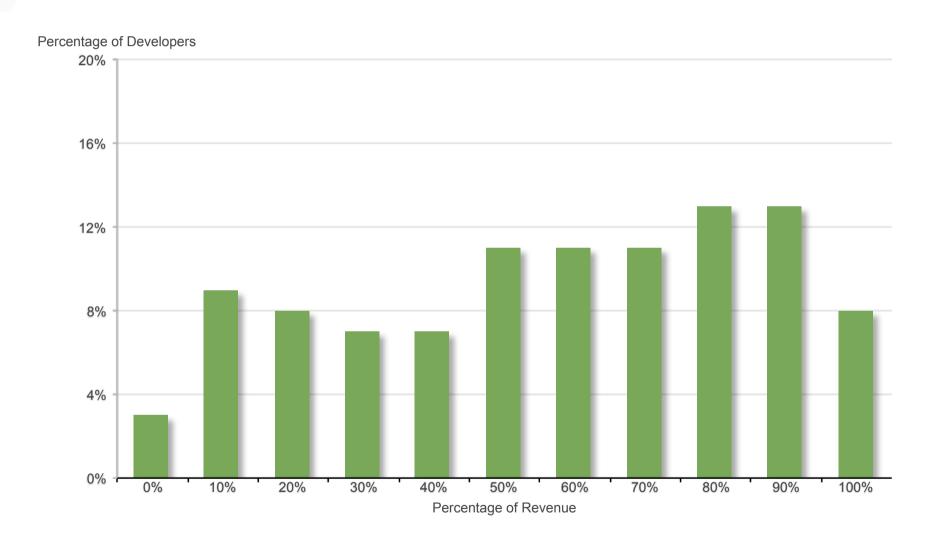
Click-through Rate

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Trends today

Advertising still majority

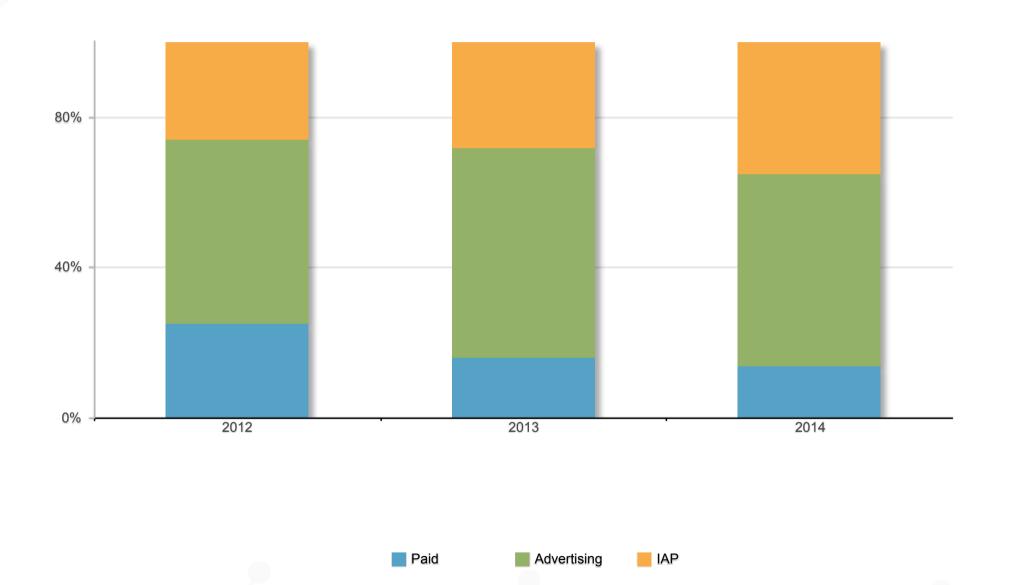
Approximate the % of revenue from advertising from all your games?



Chartboost developer survey July 2013, 237 responses.

...but IAP is growing

Average revenue breakdown for a developer



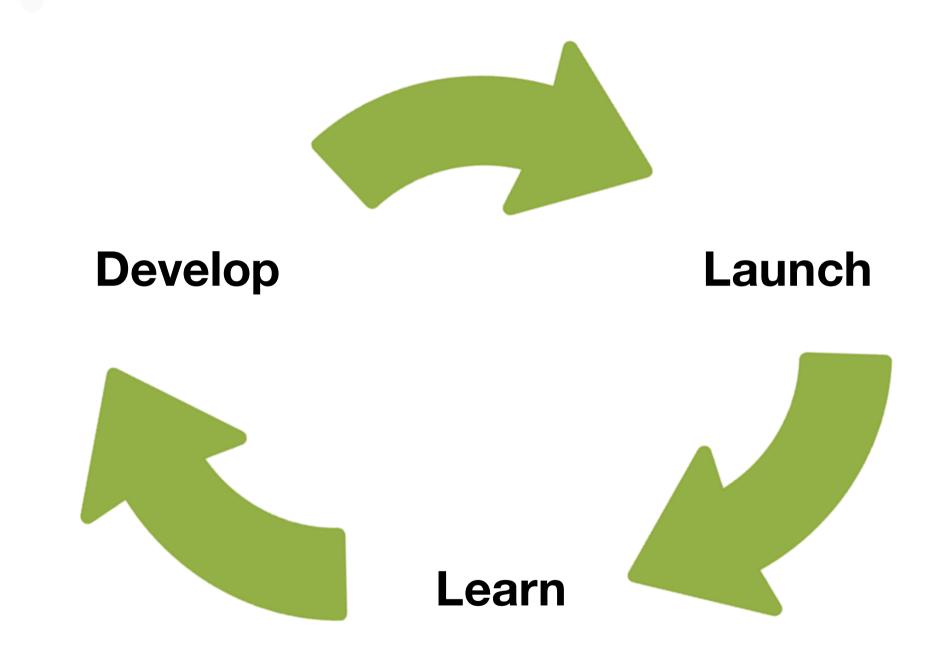
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Models are merging





The circle of life



What developers need in a mixed economy

Data & Transparency to learn

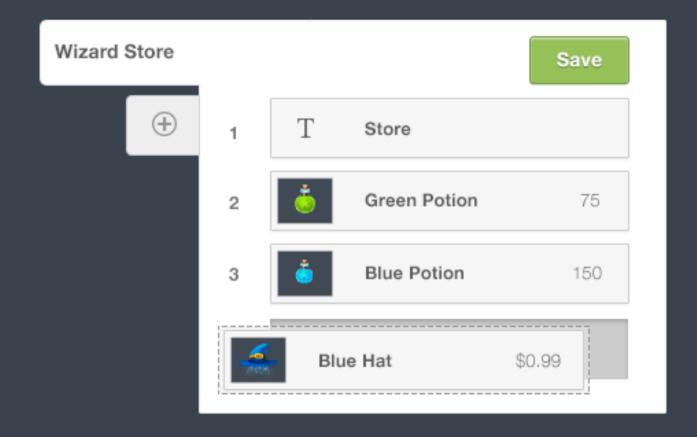
Flexibility to make changes

Willingness to iterate

The Chartboost Store

the backend to power your in-app purchase store





Platform tools

"We're a small team, and building a backend service to provide the flexibility to make updates on the fly wasn't something we ever considered before. We're already thinking differently about building our games going forward."

- Gavin Bowman, Retro Dreamer

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Danke schön!

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