Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?
Posted by scarr - 2010/12/17 09:02

Yahoo Inc. said it is planning to shut down several "underperforming" and "non-core" Web properties, including the venerable search site AltaVista, as it continues a years-long turnaround effort.

Sites that could be affected by the moves include Delicious, a so-called social bookmarking service, search site AlltheWeb, and online news aggregator Buzz, according to an internal company slide that was posted on the Web on Thursday.

Will you miss these sites? Did they help you to do your job as an IT pro?

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?
Posted by srw134 - 2010/12/17 22:02

I for one don't use Yahoo anymore, it is certain a testimony to a company that let its future fall right through its hands. It would be nice to have an another independent search engine again but Google works for now.

-sean

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?
Posted by caragarretson - 2010/12/20 09:01

This is a very interesting point - besides noting that a once-giant Internet company has fallen to its knees, no, I don't care. I haven't used Yahoo in years, with the one exception of its finance site because I find it easy to navigate. But I'm confident I could find 20 other such sites should Yahoo disappear.

I fear I'm not alone, besides the employees, who would really notice if Yahoo goes away?

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?
Posted by tsheehan - 2010/12/20 10:39

Agreed, I use the finance site on occasion but they are just another search engine, and now using another company's search technology..

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?
Posted by mhenricks - 2010/12/20 14:34

"just another search engine" indeed. Yahoo has failed to provide anything that any number of other sources provide. That not only means we won't miss it, if it ever does completely disappear, but that it has no real reason for being around any longer. It's a good lesson for any business, Internet or otherwise.

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?
Posted by ciony - 2010/12/22 08:35

Yahoo was once the standard bearer for quality and doing things right on the Web, so this is a poignant turn of events. The company has clearly been heading down the road of being a content portal for some time at the expense of technical innovation, and as such is now a commodity. I valued their Messenger client for IM and Finance info, but none

of my contacts is really on that IM client anymore, which is also telling. I do think they are making a mistake in shutting down the delicious site; social media is important to content providers. Most of all, I think their email service is still used by a great many people and that would make an impact if it went away.

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by srw134 - 2010/12/22 20:31

This last point I did miss in my post, I do still use yahoo mail on occasion, It is mainly given to those companies which I don't trust but still want to get email from. The question is how long do you think they will last before someone just buys them for a few pennies on the dollar?

-sean

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by ciony - 2010/12/22 21:53

Yahoo Mail still has some large corporate partnerships so that Mail component may be stickier than just being a throwaway email address, although that's how I use it now too. They are an acquisition target, especially for a non-US firm looking to get into the Internet game, but likely at a discount price. There's a lesson in this for Google too, who run the risk of getting distracted from their core competencies with far flung and disparate ventures (Android, YouTube, etc.) and they are doing it on a scale that Yahoo never attempted.

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by Mel Duvall - 2010/12/23 19:57

I have returned to AltaVista from time to time to get a different range of search results than offered by Google. I found it was able to pick up results that were buried deep in the big search engine results. Admittedly, those visits to AltaVista have become less and less frequent.

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by srw134 - 2010/12/23 20:22

I do truly miss the independent search engine options, there was a time that each would so rather unique search results which allowed searching for things a bit differently and allowed a fuller experience. It does seem these days like everyone is replicating (or using) Googles search techniques and algorithms.

-sean

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by caragarretson - 2011/01/26 16:09

Yes - I forgot about yahoo mail (telling) but agree that even though I don't use it, I still see plenty of email addresses in my contacts that do. But I doubt the email business alone is enough to sustain the company.

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by srw134 - 2011/01/29 21:19

Well this certainly the company to research when figuring out how not to plan for the fast moving Internet environment. In this market you really can't take your eye off the ball for more then a second or someone will steal it away from you.

-sean

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by software master - 2012/04/08 03:26

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The second category - which this article is all about - is known as freeware. Freeware is software that is both free and completely legal to download. It is often created as a hobby, by a programmer who doesn't need (or doesn't want) to charge for it. Sometimes it is even created by a whole team of people, as with Mozilla, makers of the fabulous Firefox browser, Open Office and many other wonderful things.

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by easy web - 2012/06/03 10:02

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I hope by this explanation your well -placed anxiety will be allayed. I also went fo high dose of readioactive iodine for my hyperthyroidism. I shouldn't have tx my hyperthyroidism. Now, I'm at the other end of the spectrum. I became a hypo; have CFS and weight gain. A doctor once told me, it's so much easier to Hyperthyroidism rather than hypo. When I was hyper, I eat like a horse and never gain weight. Now I'm constantly cold.

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by MisatoNishito - 2012/06/20 11:05

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Re:Yahoo is Cratering - Do You Care?

Posted by fjfj - 2012/07/12 09:34

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The Monster Beats studio black is extremely lightweight and comfortable adequate to listen to on the go. The set has a soft, stylish, compact, and also zippered carrying case, which allows for an easy, tangle-free method to store your earphones.

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