

MEDIA KIT AND ADVERTISING GUIDE

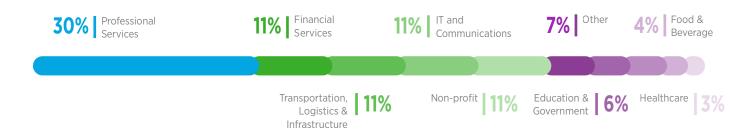
Prices and ad sizes accurate as of June 2023



WHO ARE OUR MEMBERS?

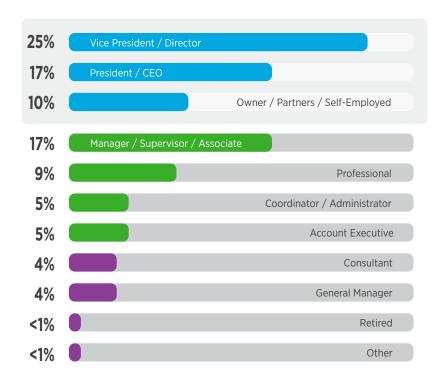
BUSINESS SECTORS

Membership is comprised of businesses across all sectors - distinguishing us from industry-specific associations.



JOB TITLE

More than 52% of members are decision-makers / c-suite

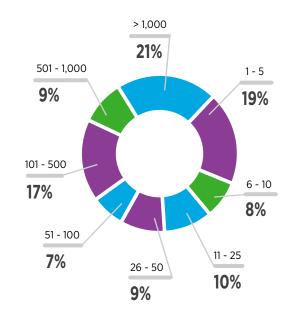


GENDER

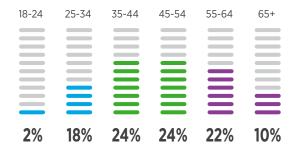
Female	Male	Non-binary	Two-spirited
46 %	54 %	<1%	<1%

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

More than half are small businesses







 $^{^*}$ Figures based on results from the Greater Vancouver Board of Trade's Membership Survey



WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER

Our weekly e-newsletter provides members with up-to-the-minute information on the Board of Trade's upcoming events, advocacy initiatives, exclusive savings opportunities, and select news from our members.

Emailed every Monday morning, the e-newsletter is tailor-made for quick reading and provides convenient links to online information and event registration.



18,200

Distribution

Avg. Open-rate

Avg. overall click-through rate Clicks on ads vary



Frequency Mondays

CONTENT OUTLINE

News: Headlines focusing on the Board of Trade's latest activities and announcements

Events: A calendar listing of upcoming events with quick links to

Member Benefits: Special offers exclusively for GVBOT members, by **GVBOT** members

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Size: 600 px wide x 77 px high at 72 ppi

File formats: .jpg or .png

Static images only, no animated GIFs or Flash files

RATES

Frequency	Top Banner		Middle Banner		Bottom Banner	
	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member
1 week	\$500	\$1,000	\$375	\$750	\$200	\$400
2 weeks	\$900	\$1,800	\$700	\$1,400	\$350	\$700
3 weeks	\$1,350	\$2,750	\$1,050	\$2,100	\$525	\$1,050
4 weeks	\$1,800	\$3,600	\$1,400	\$2,800	\$700	\$1,400

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES AND DEADLINES

Submit your artwork by email to advertising@boardoftrade.com using the following file name convention:



EXAMPLE: abc-company-e-newsletter-may-08-2023



Artwork must be submitted by 12 p.m. on the Wednesday the week prior. Failure to meet deadline may result in ad not running but you will still be billed.



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MEMBER-TO-MEMBER E-BLAST ADVERTISING

Our member-to-member e-blasts allow members to showcase their business in a custom designed HTML email that aligns with their branding. This offer is only available to members.



2,100

Opt-in subscribers

Avg. Open-rate



Avg. overall click-through rate



Frequency: Daily Tuesday - Friday

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Recommended Size: 600 px wide (72 ppi for images)

File formats: .html, .jpg, .png or .pdf

Static images only, no animated GIFs or Flash files

RATES

Quantity	Member	Non-Member
1	\$425	n/a
2	\$800	n/a
3	\$1,200	n/a
4	\$1,600	n/a

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Submit your files by email to advertising@boardoftrade.com using the following file name convention:

EXAMPLE: abc-company-e-blast-may-08-2023

Artwork/html code is due five business days prior to the date booked. Failure to meet deadline may result in ad not running but you will still be billed.

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NEED HELP WITH DESIGN?

For only \$100 our in-house designer and editor can assist in getting your message out. Provide message copy, images and samples of previous design work at least 7 - 10 business days before the email is scheduled to be sent.



BOARDOFTRADE.COM WEBSITE ADVERSTING

The membership section is the second-most visited section of our website.



Maximum 2 ads per page, rotated evenly displaying a maximum of 4 advertisements per spot

CONTENT OUTLINE

- Details on how to become a member
- Information on exclusive member benefits and savings
- Access to our online member Directory
- And much more

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Recommended Size: 213 px wide x 213 px high at 72 ppi

File formats: .jpg, .gif, .png

Animated GIFs are okay!

RATES

Quantity	Box Ad			
	Member	Non-member		
1 month	\$500	n/a		
2 months	\$925	n/a		
3 months	\$1,400	n/a		
4 months	\$1,850	n/a		

QUESTIONS?

Email advertising@boardoftrade.com with any questions or inquiries.



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- EXAMPLE: abc-company-box-ad-may-2023
- Advertising on boardoftrade.com is based on a monthly time frame. Artwork must be submitted five businesse days prior to the beginning of the next month. (For example, Thursday, May 25 for a start date of June 1). Failure to meet deadline may result in ad not running but you will still be billed.

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BLOG

From essential information and resources to help navigate the day-to-day, to insights and opinions to help plan for tomorrow, this resource is home to expert-authored content written by some of Greater Vancouver's leading business





Frequency Published per month

CONTENT OUTLINE

News and updates on the Board of Trade's

- The GVBOT blog is where readers expect to find expert content that offers advice, insight, and information on subjects that impact their businesses.
- Posts on the blog must be editorial and not advertorial.
- Content may be submitted in written format, produced to the Canadian Press style.
- A copyright-free image/photo must accompany submitted content.
- Blog posts must be between a minimum of 500 words and a maximum of 900 words in length.

RATES

\$2,000 per edited submission - available to Greater Vancouver Board of Trade Members only

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Send an email to media@boardoftrade.com with a brief content outline including preferred publication date.

Our Communications Manager will be in touch to discuss next steps.

Al vs. Al for your business

Monday, 12 June 2023



Artificial Intelligence (AI) drives transformative results for business, whether its with faster and deepe analytics for storage supply chains, heightened cyberseurity defense, or improved customer service. Still, we are at a pixotal moment for how Al is – and will be – used for cross-industry, cross-enterprise. For some, there is a lack of clarity as to what impact it can have. Business leaders can feel overwhelmed, underprepared, and unsure how to best utilize Al, but know they need accurate results they can trust that can easily be adapted to new scenarios and use cases. ChatGPT and other generative AI capabilities have woken businesses up to the possibilities that AI offers, but consumer use cases are not where the real transformational powers lie

Al technologies have made impressive advances over the past decade – but until now, it has been difficult to scale and operationalize, placing it out of reach for many companies. In Canada, its use is growing steadily, with companies already using or planning to use Al. in fact, nearly 30% of Canadian companies have actively deployed Al, and nearly half (48%) say their company is exploring Al but have not deployed it into their business operations yet.

For businesses looking for ways to increase employee productivity by enabling teams to focus on higher-value work, there are a few entry points for leaders to consider with AI and automation: 1) automate processes and individual tasks, freeing up space for focus on more complex situations; 2) create individual and outcome-oriented experiences for customers; and 3) give employees the information and insights they need so they can deliver successful outcomes faster. And, with the announcement of watsonx (https://www.bim.com/watsony) in May, IBM has created the foundation to make AI more widely accessible to all enterprises, not just those with advanced technical expertise.

When used effectively, AI and data have the power to deliver smarter public services, reduce fraud and human error, catalyze massive operational efficiencies, and unlock new commercial benefits – all while controlling costs and safeguarding privacy. One example in a municipal government setting is Elections Markham's work with IBM Canada in the delivery of a virtual assistant to answer use use to provide the control to the control t

Finally, as with any technology, it is critical to pay attention to the security of data. The use of Al in security operations through incident detection, investigation and response is needed now more than ever as security teams are overwhelmed and under pressure. With data breaches costing Canadian companies erage (an all-time high), the financial stakes are significant.

While there are numerous current use cases for AI, the applications for this technology are growing every day, and the possibilities of AI for business are endless. You can learn more here.

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