

Most Popular Internet Search Terms of 2005 Revealed; "Music Lyrics" Tops the List from Dogpile.com; "Wedding Vows" Inspiration Coming Straight From the 'Net, Rather than the Heart

BELLEVUE, Wash., Dec 15, 2005 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Dogpile.com, the metasearch engine that returns the top results from all the leading search engines, today announced its most popular Internet search terms of 2005, including "music lyrics" at No. 1. With an estimated 63% of the U.S. online population conducting at least one Internet search each day*, searches are revealing more insight into the nation's collective interests. Gaming terms, celebrities and musicians also rounded out the most popular search terms of the year.

(Overall rankings in parentheses)

Top 10

- 1. Music Lyrics
- 2. Paris Hilton
- 3. Google
- 4. eBay
- 5. Yahoo
- 6. Mapquest
- 7. Games Cheat
- 8. Games
- 9. Dogs
- 10. Top 100 Baby Names

Top Celebrities

- 1. Paris Hilton (2)
- 2. Carmen Electra (15)
- 3. Pamela Anderson (20)
- 4. Jessica Simpson (21)
- 5. Britney Spears (24)
- 6. 50 Cent (32)
- 7. Lindsey Lohan (36)
- 8. Jennifer Lopez (39)
- 9. Green Day (42)
- 10. Eminem (45)

Best of the Top 50

- 1. Poetry (11)
- 2. Funny Jokes (16)
- 3. Tattoos (17)
- 4. 1 (19)
- 5. Radio Stations (22)
- 6. Weather (25)
- Jennifer Aniston Sedu Hairstyles (28)
- 8. Walmart (35)
- 9. Search Engines (41)
- 10. MySpace (44)

Top Offbeat

- 1. Names and Their Meanings (54)
- 2. Inuyasha (76)
- 3. Obituaries (84)
- 4. Funny Pictures (152)
- 5. Interview Questions (153)
 - 6. Wedding Vows (154)
- 7. Jennifer Aniston Sedu 7. Catholic Churches (184)
 - 8. Dragons (198)
 - 9. Napoleon Dynamite (208)
 - 10. Real Estate (209)

Additional notable results included:

- -- More than 10 years after "The Rachel" haircut debuted, people are still fascinated with Jennifer Aniston's hair. She's a hair product marketer's dream with the name of her hair straightener "Sedu" one of the most popular search terms.
- -- Apparently nothing is sacred anymore straight from the heart is being replaced with straight from the Internet, as people search for 'wedding vows' in droves as a quick and easy way to help them find inspiration.
- -- As a long-time top Internet search query, Britney Spears maintains a strong position as the fifth most-searched celebrity name, but came in at #24 overall. Comparatively, Paris Hilton was the most-searched celebrity name and #2 overall.

"By aggregating and ranking the millions of monthly searches on Dogpile, we can provide perspective on the interests of today's online audience," said Jon Nolz, Director of Marketing for Dogpile.com. "Seeing 'music lyrics' in the number one position

is surprising given the number of huge headline news events over the year, but points to what online search is all about - finding information that does not have a readily-known source."

As the Internet's leading metasearch site, Dogpile.com combines the strengths of all the best search engines - Google, Yahoo!, MSN and Ask Jeeves - to bring back more of the Web's best search results. A recent study found that only 1.1 percent of the first page results are the same across all four engines, making metasearch sites like Dogpile.com a more efficient way to find the best results across multiple search engines. Try it for yourself at http://comparesearchengines.dogpile.com or see what people are searching for in real-time through the Search Spy tool at http://www.dogpile.com/info.dogpl/searchspy.

Report Methodology

Results are based on searches completed during January 1-November 31, 2005. Any adult content terms have been filtered out of results and category lists above have been compiled from Dogpile.com by InfoSpace personnel.

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