Building A Hyper-Targeted Lead List Using Apollo

I'm going to assume everyone here has no idea how to build a lead list, and just explain from a very basic perspective.

Building a good lead list is one of the most important parts about launching a successful campaign.

And for the most part, there are really two ways that you can build a list.

- 1. Targeting the companies directly on Apollo.
- 2. Targeting the companies on a niche specific database, and then enriching on Apollo.

Now for those of you who don't already know, Apollo is a sales database that allows you to find the contact information of decision makers that work at companies.

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For 95% of the campaigns that we launch, we're using the 2nd data strategy.

Targeting using external databases

Meaning we're finding the companies that we will be targeting on another database, and then importing them into Apollo.

The reason why we do this is because there isn't an easy way to target company types on Apollo.

For example, let's say you want to target eCommerce businesses that are on Shopify.

Sure – you can do that to an extent on Apollo, but it's not perfect.

There's no filter, or tag that just automatically knows whether a company is or is not an ecommerce store.

You can try to build an ecommerce list by using keywords like "buy now" "online store" "Add to Cart" etc, but these aren't very good strategies, as you'll always get random companies in your lists that just don't fit the criteria completely.

But if you have access to something like Storeleads, which as the name suggests is a platform for eCommerce leads, you could EASILY filter by what is/is not a shopify store.



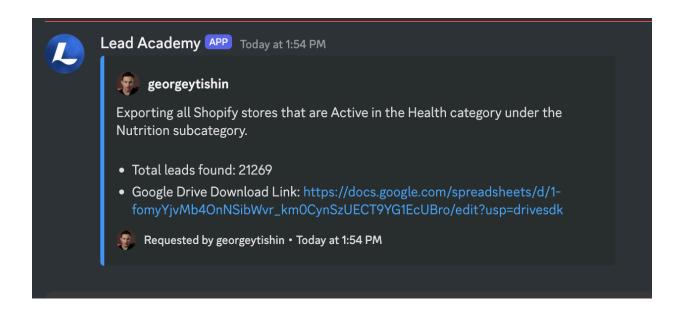
On Storeleads, their are LITERAL filters for "Shopify" or "WooCommerce" and on top of that really good segmented categories, like these:



So you don't just get "Health" companies, but you get segments and subsegments of health as well.

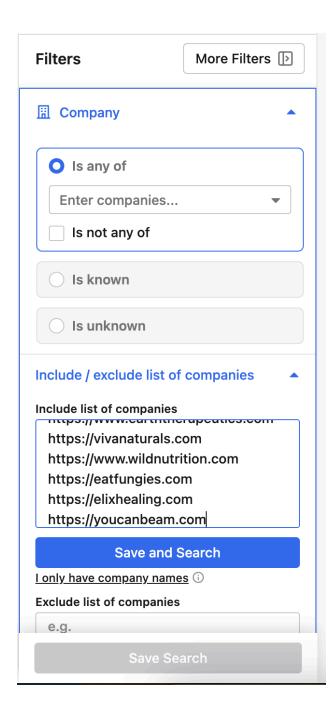
In the example above, we specifically selected Health>Nutrition>Supplements

And were able to get 21,269 supplement companies from that query.

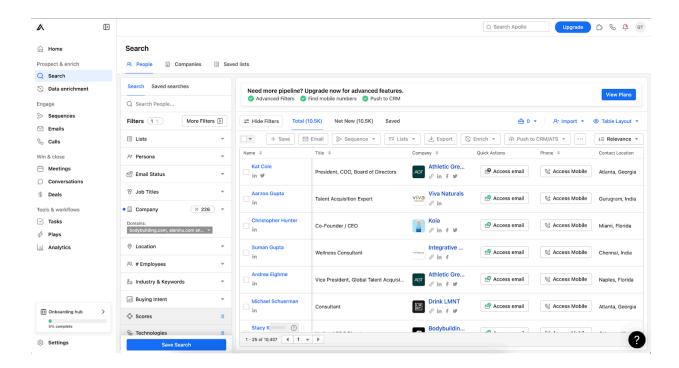


But the thing is, that storeleads will only give you company URLs, it wont give you decision makers.

And that's why we then take those URLs, and enrich them with Apollo.



In Apollo, you can directly enter company website URLs, and Apollo will automatically match those URLs with the companies on their database, and then find the people that work there.



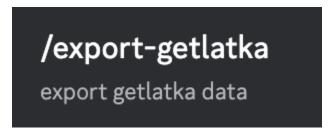
So out of those 226 companies we just provided, we have 10.5K people that work at those companies.

Now we can apply the broad filters like location, employee count, job titles, and so on – without having to worry about whether the company targeting is actually on point.

Now thats an example for JUST eCommerce, but the same concept applies for every niche.

These are some of the ones we have in Lead Academy:

Need SaaS leads -> Get Latka



Need Agency data -> Clutch or AgencyVista

/export-clutch

Export clutch data

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But besides those, there are tons of data sources for any given industry.

Here are some more examples:

Need local business data -> Google My Business / Yelp

Need publicly traded companies -> Nasdaq

Need companies running Facebook ads -> Facebook Ads Library

The point is – there are much better ways of targeting, than just going on Apollo and trying to put on filters.

Another underrated way of targeting companies is through intent based technologies.

Intent based technology targeting, is where you use a software like BuiltWith.com to scrape a list of companies that are using some sort of technology, and then you make assumptions based on that technology.

For example:

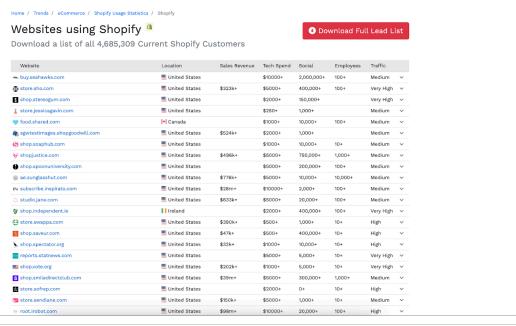
If a website is using Shopify, it's very likely they're an eCommerce store.

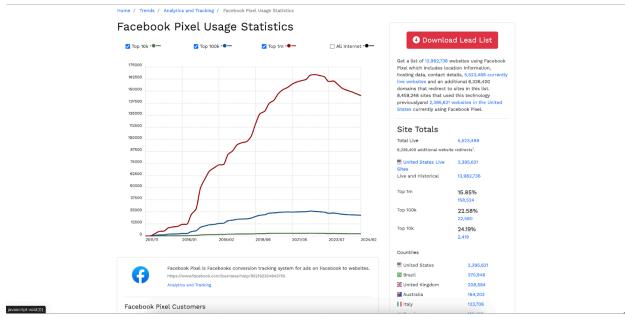
If a website is using a Facebook Ads Pixel it's likely they're running ads.

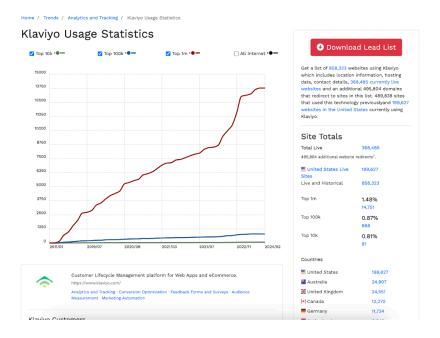
If a website is NOT using Intercom, it's likely they don't have good customer support.

If a website has both a facebook ads pixel and klaviyo its likely they are an ecommerce company spending money on advertising.

If you start to think outside the box, you can really create some really targeted lists that will always fit your icp perfectly.







Building a list on Apollo directly

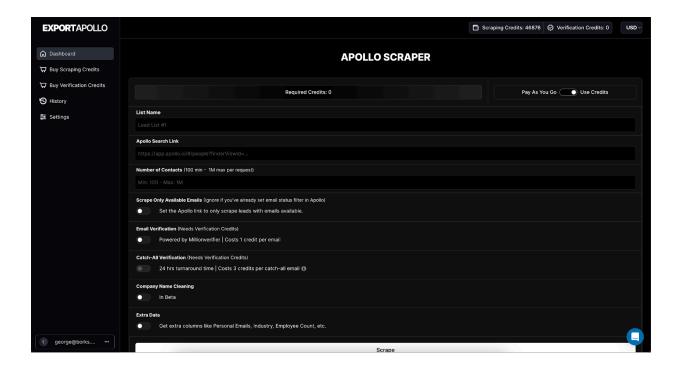
Now let's discuss how to build a lead list on Apollo:

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Once you have a lead list ready, whether you built it directly on Apollo, or you imported URLs – you're going to have an Apollo URL.

Scraping data from Apollo

Now we're going to discuss how you can scrape that Apollo URL.



We personally use a service called ExportApollo.com

It's around \$3 - \$4 for 1K leads.

Their are cheaper options on the market, but ExportApollo is in my opinion the best platform, because they:

- Allow you to scrape small lists (for segmented campaigns)
- They have an API for programmatically scraping
- They have an optional integration with MillionVerifier
- Automatic scraping & delivery
- Good customer support

We're also partnered with them, so if you want to get 1K free leads, you can use our link:

https://www.exportapollo.com/?ref=lead-academy

Example Apollo Query (WITH VERIFIED & LIKELY TO ENGAGE TURNED OFF):

https://app.apollo.io/#/people?finderViewId=5b8050d050a3893c382e9360&organizationIndustryTagIds[]=5567e0c97369640d2b3b1600&organizationIndustryTagIds[]=5567cd4d736964397e020000

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The Scraped Leads:

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