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## **sprout**social

34,000+

**Customers in 100+ Countries** 

>\$296M

**Annual Recurring Revenue** 

35%

**Revenue Growth** 

99%

**Subscription Revenue** 

**76%** 

**Gross Profit** 



## **Investments Highlights**



Empowering businesses to operationalize social



Recurring SaaS model (99% subscription)



Disruptive inbound trial model and fast time to value



Durable moats and barriers to entry



Mission critical system of record for digital business



Founder-led leadership team and exceptional culture



Highly scalable single code base

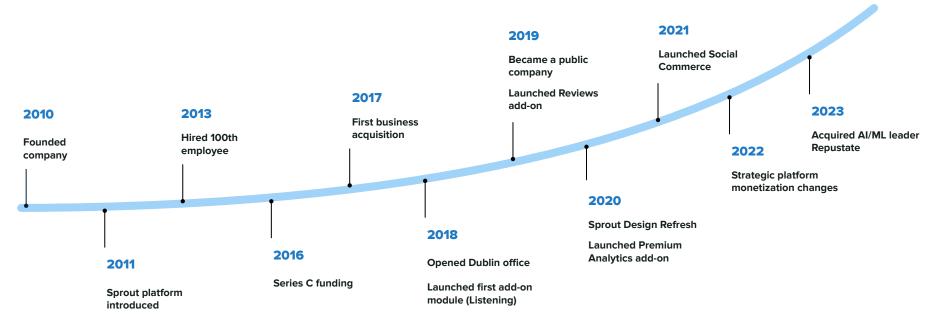


Large and rapidly growing TAM



#### **Our history**

Sprout was built on the premise that social media would change the way the world communicates and how virtually every aspect of business operates.





Social media has fundamentally transformed the way consumers connect with brands

With more than

4.5 billion

consumers using social media

Businesses must adapt or risk becoming irrelevant to nearly half of the world's population. The ways that business attract, acquire, sell to and service customers is being completely transformed.



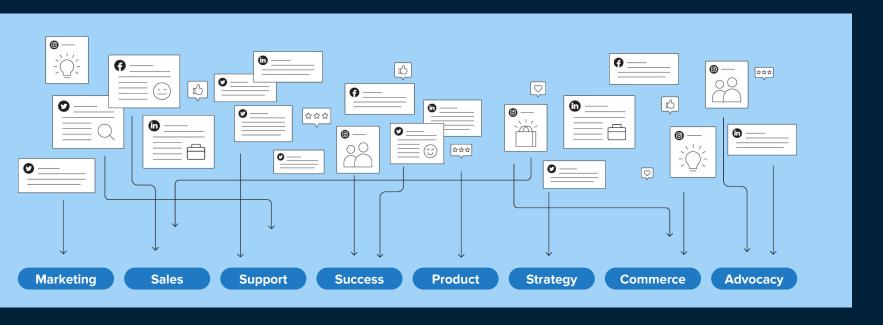
## And changed the entire customer experience, across the enterprise

This digital transformation requires virtually every part of an organization to adapt and re-tool. Social is a horizontal technology that has tangible benefits to nearly every department of a modern business; businesses must maximize the value of social data.



## Requiring an entirely new system of record

Social media is massive, scattered, multi-purpose and does not conform to our existing business systems. A centralized platform is critical to creating strategic business value.

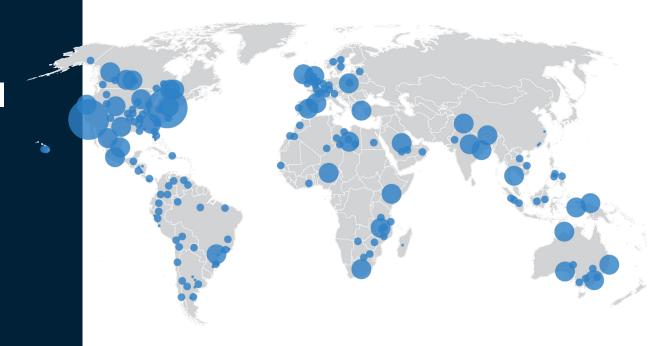


#### **Sprout is the platform solution**

Sprout consolidates the complexity of social channels into a powerful, elegant and seamlessly integrated platform that can be leveraged across an organization.



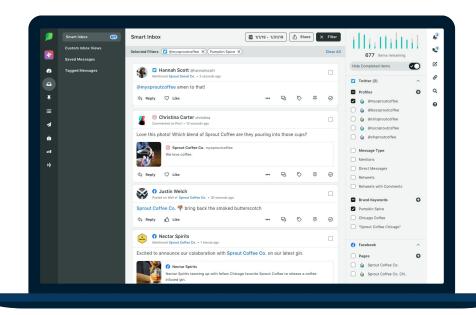
Sprout's platform is mission-critical for more than 34,000 customers globally





## A powerful, fully integrated platform

Our core platform was built to facilitate social communication. We've expanded our capabilities to handle new use-cases as more of the customer experience has shifted to social, and as businesses mature in their standardization of social



**Expanded Capabilities Premium Add-ons** Core Platform































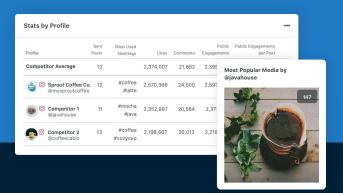








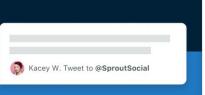






Providing real-time insights for brands across billions of data points

Social data is an unprecedented source of business intelligence — allowing businesses to better understand their customers, markets, competitors and to shape their strategy based on real-time global insights from billions of consumers.







#### With compounding competitive advantages

Our approach to building powerful tools on a single code-base allows us to address the needs of a large number of brands, while using our scale to quickly compound value. The single code-base allows us to innovate quickly and deliver feature enhancements to all of our customers at once.





#### **Meaningful barriers to entry**

We are well positioned to lead our market. Our primary competitors have taken a different approach; other software vendors have been unable to adapt effectively to social and are leaning in to social partnerships with Sprout.

#### **Direct Competitors**

Specialized & lack integration

Platform / technology limitations

Disparate systems pieced together through M&A

Custom & services heavy



#### Other Software Vendors

Social is horizontal and can't be compartmentalized

Built on common, unique ID

Anonymized data / GDPR Issues

Partnering with Sprout



# Entrenched network & integration ecosystem

We have deep, integrated network relationships that are increasingly hard to replicate; our expanding set of technology partner integrations is growing the value of our social system of record.





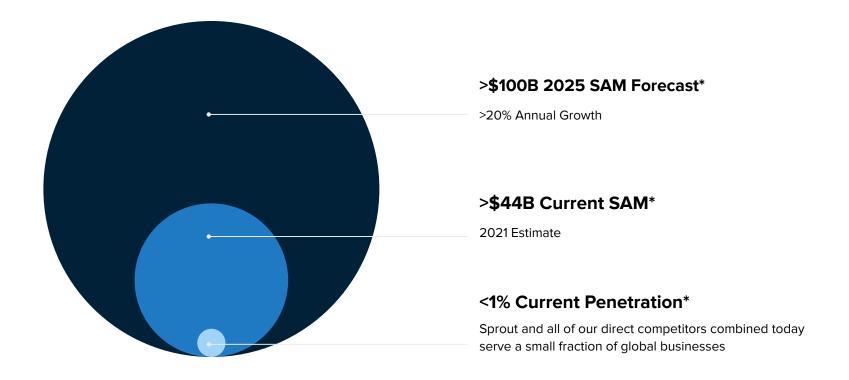
#### **Top customer-rated platform**

Sprout was the only social media management company recognized by customers in the 2023 G2 Best Software awards as an Enterprise Software leader. And Sprout was the only company in our space recognized across SMB, Mid-Market and Enterprise. Our leadership across markets & categories is a testament to the differentiation of our industry-leading platform.

	Ease of Use	Admin	Product Direction	Support	Performance & Reliability	Ease of Setup	Focus
	9.0	9.2	9.1	8.8	9.0	9.3	SMB, Mid-Market, Enterprise
А	8.3	8.3	7.8	8.0	8.5	8.4	Consumer, SMB
В	7.5	7.2	8.0	7.6	8.1	7.3	Enterprise
С	7.3	7.2	7.8	7.7	8.2	6.3	Enterprise



#### In a very large and quickly growing market

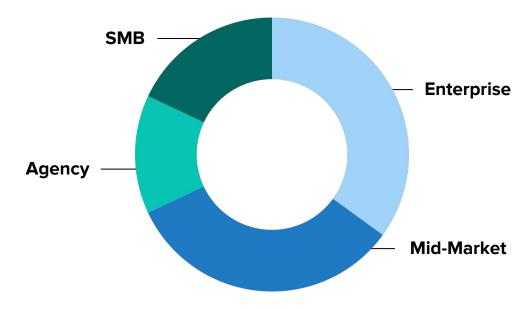




#### With an increasingly strategic customer base

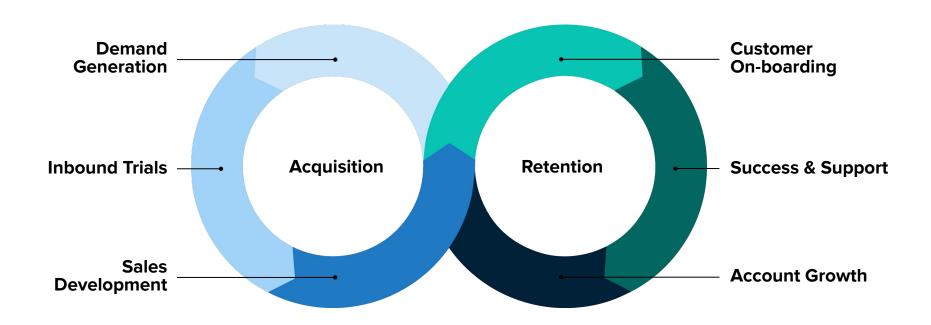
Our product, go to market and success strategies are aligned around the most productive customers in our TAM. We're positioned to maximize our unit economics and capture all customers as they mature into our sweet spot over time.

- >6:1 overall LTV:CAC Ratio\*
- Highly diverse customer base with no revenue concentration
- Broad perspective. Our smallest segment has 4,000+ customers
- Every segment served from a single code-base and distribution model





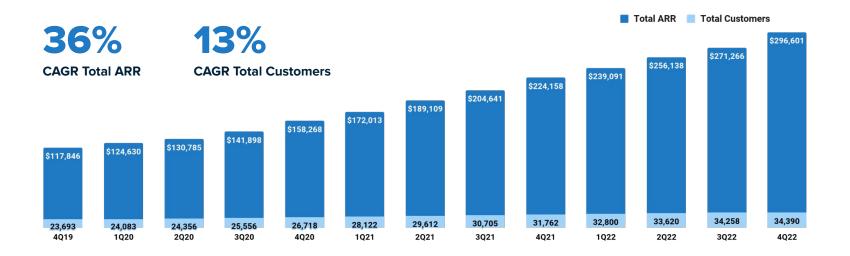
#### Disruptive and efficient inbound GTM model





#### Consistently expanding ARR

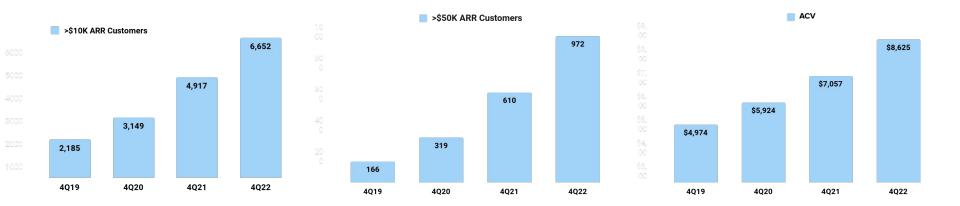
In addition to consistently growing our customer base over time, we've seen the value of those customers increase disproportionately, compounding our ARR growth.





#### **Accelerating customer expansion**

As our strategy unfolds, larger initial deal sizes, higher value existing customers and a steady penetration of larger customers each compound multi-year ACV expansion.



**Recent Customer Highlights** 

















#### Strong economics, optimized for growth

Attractive returns on growth investments and a strong competitive position reinforce investments to support long duration growth

	2020	2021	2022	4Q22	2025 Framework
Organic Revenue	36%	41%	35%	31%	>30% / year
Organic ARR	36%	42%	32%	32%	>30% / year
Non-GAAP Gross Margin	74%	76%	77%	79%	
Non-GAAP Operating Margin	-16%	-3%	-2%	1%	+100-300bps / year
FCF Margin	-12%	<b>7</b> %	3%	4%	200-300bps > OPM



#### **Our growth strategy**

We are early in our journey with multiple levers to sustain durable medium term growth

**Lead Nascent TAM** 

**Account Expansion** 

**Platform Expansion** 

**International Expansion** 

**Category Expansion** 



#### **Culture as a business strategy**

Since the beginning, we've focused on building the highest quality products, an industry-leading workplace, and taking amazing care of our customers. We're building an enduring company that our team, families, customers and investors can be proud of.

**Glassdoor Best Places to Work** 

2017, 2018, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 **Great Place to Work Certified** 

2019, 2020, 2021, 2022

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## **Driven by a** world-class leadership team



Justyn Howard CEO



Aaron Rankin сто



**Ryan Barretto** President



Joe Del Preto CFO



Jamie Gilpin СМО



John Schoenstein CRO



**Rachael Pfenning** SVP, People & Operations



Gil Lara cco



Peter Soung Head of Growth



Alan Boyce SVP, Engineering



Heidi Jonas **General Counsel** 

#### Team background

















#### Creating value for all of our stakeholders



Industry leading platform



Attractive unit economics and durable long term growth



Sustainable competitive advantages



Social is disruptive and mission critical



Strategic technology partner in secularly advantaged growth market



Top rated culture and team



### **Appendix**

Sprout Social, Inc.
Summary and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures (Unaudited)
(in thousands, except per share data)

#### **Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

	Three Months E	inded 12/31,
	2022	2021
Reconciliation of Non-GAAP operating (income) loss		
Loss from operations	-\$13,149	-\$9,720
Stock-based compensation expense	\$13,708	\$7,151
Non-GAAP operating income (loss)	\$559	-\$2,569
Reconciliation of Non-GAAP net income (loss)		
Net loss	-\$11,942	-\$9,900
Stock-based compensation expense	\$13,708	\$7,151
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$1,766	-\$2,749
Reconciliation of Non-GAAP net income (loss) per share		
Net loss per share attributable to common shareholders, basic and diluted	-\$0.22	-\$0.18
Stock-based compensation expense per share	\$0.25	\$0.13
Non-GAAP net income (loss) per share	\$0.03	-\$0.05
Reconciliation of free cash flow		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$2,952	\$2,477
Expenditures for property and equipment	-\$397	-\$264
Free cash flow	\$2,555	\$2,213

#### **Summary of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

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_	2020		2021		2022		Three Months Ended December 31, 2022	
	s	% of Revenues	s	% of Revenues	s	% of Revenues	s	% of Revenues
Gross Margin Gross profit	98,032	73.7%	141,071	75.1%	193,970	76.4%	54,245	77.9%
Stock-based compensation expense	749	0.6%	1,062	0.6%	2,491	1.0%	603	0.9%
Non-GAAP Gross Margin	98,781	74.3%	142,133	75.7%	196,461	77.4%	54,848	78.7%
Operating Margin Loss from operations	(32,002)	-24%	(28,089)	-15%	(51,676)	-20%	(13,149)	-19%
Stock-based compensation expense	11,079	8%	21,730	12%	47,738	19%	13,708	20%
Non-GAAP operating income (loss)	(20,923)	-16%	(6,359)	-3%	(3,938)	-2%	559	1%
Free Cash Flow Margin Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(11,352)	-9%	14,817	8%	10,668	4%	2,952	4%
Expenditures for property and equipment	(4,015)	-3%	(926)	0%	(1,824)	-1%	(397)	-1%
Free cash flow	(15,367)	-12%	13,891	7%	8,844	3%	2,555	4%
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	2020 Reported	Organic	2021 Reported	Organic	2022 Reported	Organic	December 3 Reported	Organic
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Revenue Growth	29%	36%	41%	41%	35%	35%	31%	31%



#### **Appendix**

Annual Recurring Revenue ("ARR"). We define ARR as the annualized revenue run rate of subscription agreements from all customers as of the last date of the specified period. We believe ARR is an indicator of the scale of our entire platform while mitigating fluctuations due to seasonality and contract term.

Organic ARR. We define organic ARR as total ARR excluding the impact of recurring revenue generated from legacy Simply Measured products. We believe organic ARR is an indicator of the scale and visibility of our core platform while mitigating fluctuations due to seasonality and contract term.

Organic Revenue. Total revenue excluding the revenue impact from the 2017 acquisition of Simply Measured.

Non-GAAP gross margin. We define non-GAAP gross margin as GAAP gross profit, excluding stock-based compensation expense. We believe non-GAAP gross margin provides our management and investors consistency and comparability with our past financial performance and facilitates period-to-period comparisons of operations, as it eliminates the effect of stock-based compensation, which is obtained in contractions and in the provided of the provided o

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Non-GAAP operating margin. We defined non-GAAP operating margin as non-GAAP operating income (loss) as a percentage of revenue.

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Free cash flow (FCF). We define free cash flow as net cash provided by (used in) operating activities less expenditures for property and equipment. Free cash flow does not reflect our future contractual obligations or represent the total increase or decrease in our cash balance for a given period. We believe free cash flow is a useful indicator of liquidity that provides information to management and investors about the amount of cash used in our core operations that, after expenditures for property and equipment, is not available for strategic initiatives.

Free cash flow margin (FCF Margin). We define free cash flow margin as free cash flow as a percentage of revenue.

**Dollar-based net retention rate.** We calculate dollar-based net retention rate by dividing the organic ARR from our customers as of December 31st in the reported year by the organic ARR from those same customers as customers and the previous year. This calculation is net of upsection, cancellation or expansion during the previous organic ARR from those same customers are customers and subscription revenue generated from our existing customers. We use dollar-based net retention to evaluate of our customer relationships, because we believe this metric reflects our ability to retain and exempts.

Average Contract Value (ACV). We define ACV as the ending period total ARR divided by the ending period total customer count.

LTV:CAC. We calculate the lifetime value of our customers and associated customer acquisition costs for a particular year by comparing (i) gross profit from net new organic ARR for the year divided by one minus the estimated subscription renewal rate to (ii) total sales and marketing expense incurred in the preceding year.

Number of customers. We define a customer as a unique account, multiple accounts containing a common non-personal enall domain or our puttiple accounts governed by a single agreement. We believe that the number of customers using our platform is an indicator not only of our market penetration, but also of our potential for future growth as our customers often expand their adoption of our platform or an increased and wareness of the value of our platform over time based on an increased and wareness of the value of our platform over time based on an increased and wareness of the value of our platform over time based on an increased and wareness of the value of our platform over time based on an increased and wareness of the value of our platform over time based on the platform of the platform of the value of the va

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We calculated our current >\$44B Served Addressable Market estimate as follows: (i) utilized data from The US SBA, The US Census Bureau, The OECD and Statista to estimate the total number of businesses in the United States and globally in each of our served market segments (Enterprise, Mid-Market, SMB) with a social media presence; (ii) utilized internal data and estimates to estimate of the number of such businesses that require a social media management platform (the "Target Businesses"); (iii) calculated the average of our ACV and our estimate of our primary competitors' ACVs in each segment, and (iv) multiplied the estimated average segment ACVs by the estimated number of Target Businesses in each applicable segment.

We calculated our >\$100B 2025 Served Addressable Market forecast using the methodology above. We used internal estimates informed by research from the Harris Poll to determine the projected business presence on social media in 2025 that will require a social media management platform, multiplied by our internal projected average segment ACVs in 2025 for Sprout Social and its primary competitors in the applicable segment.

Current Penetration of our Served Addressable Market. We estimate the current total revenue of SPT and each of our primary competitors and divide by our current SAM to determine current market penetration.

