



BirdEye for Black Bear Diner

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# Role-based review management boosts guest acquisition as business doubles

## No way to manage feedback during rapid growth

Black Bear Diner's delicious food and homestyle atmosphere have earned them mountains of praise online. On track to almost double their locations in 2 years, Black Bear Diner needed to prepare for much more feedback at a much faster pace. They needed to make sure guests at every location, old and new, were happy with their visit and eager to return.

"Knowing we were moving in this trends of numbers and growth, we needed a better way to manage guest feedback," said Denise D'Amico Johnson, Communications Manager at Black Bear Diner.

Black Bear Diner began searching for a multi-faceted solution to monitor all its reviews in one place and communicate directly with guests to understand their experiences. This led them to BirdEye.



"Every person who's using the platform, from diner level manager to district or regional or VP, has the ability to filter and fine-tune and make it work best for them."

**Denise D'Amico Johnson**  
Communications Manager  
at Black Bear Diner



## Role-based feedback management and reporting

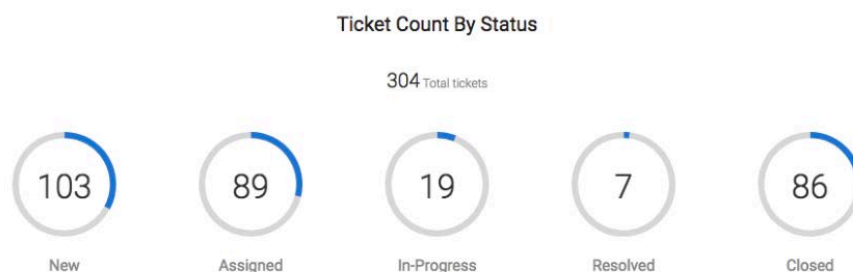
Both marketing and operations used BirdEye to connect with guests. All of Black Bear Diner's reviews from 200+ sites were captured in one place and systematically managed via role-based dashboards with custom access permissions for corporate, regional, district, and location-level management.

"The platform has the flexibility for us to set it up differently for each level of use," said D'Amico Johnson. "The general manager won't use it on the same level as the VP, and vice versa."

BirdEye automatically created a support ticket whenever a negative review was posted for any location, and assigned the ticket to the location's manager. Operations was then able to track ticket resolution time by owner and by status -- open, assigned, in progress, and closed.

"Each diner manager takes ownership of their own reviews, so when a review generates a ticket, they take ownership of recovering that guest," said D'Amico Johnson.

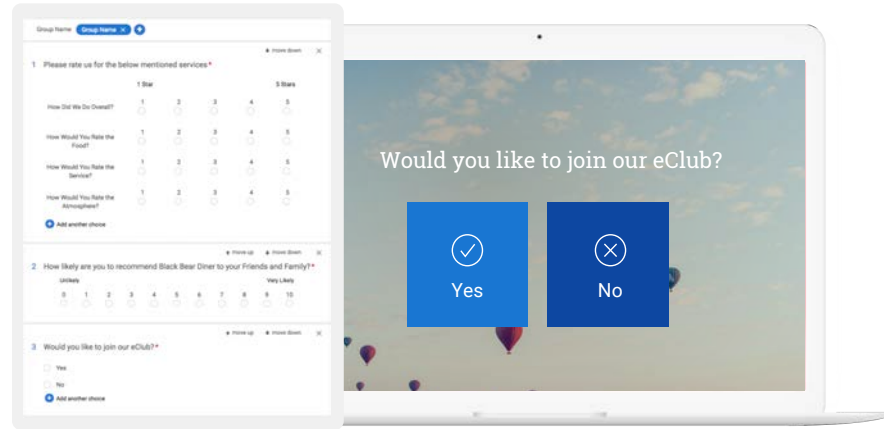
D'Amico Johnson monitors every diner's tickets in one place so she can help managers if needed or ask them to follow up if she sees that no action has been taken on a ticket.



BirdEye built each location a custom review microsite displaying the location's best reviews, contact information, and the option for site visitors to leave a new review. The fresh stream of new reviews helped these microsites rank high in organic search, so when potential guests were deciding whether to pay a visit, they could easily find recent, authentic feedback from real guests.

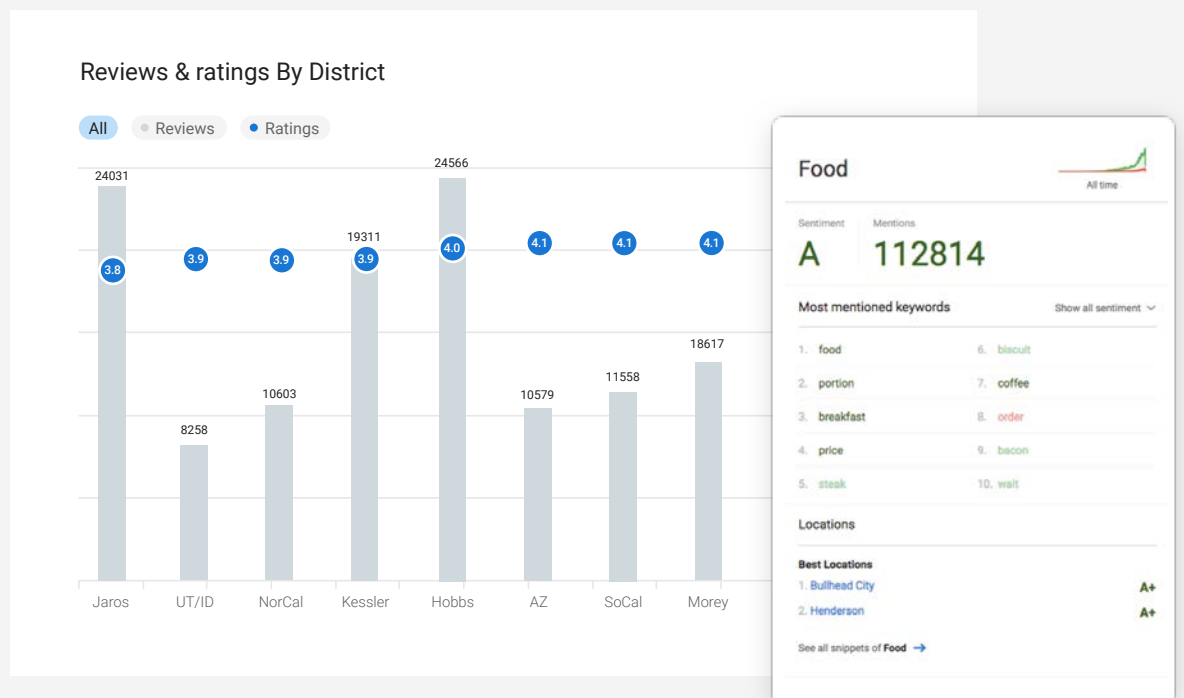


To find out how guests were feeling at every step of the customer journey, Black Bear Diner used BirdEye's Survey Designer to build a custom Dining Experience Survey. This survey contained focused questions gauging guest satisfaction across various areas like food, service, and atmosphere at every



With BirdEye's custom reports and Natural Language Processing (NLP) insights, Black Bear Diner's operations team was able to analyze guest sentiment from reviews and surveys for the company as a whole, as well as compare relative performance at a territory, region, district, ownership group, and diner level.

"They can use it on a broad level, or zoom in to look at just a small little sliver," said D'Amico Johnson.





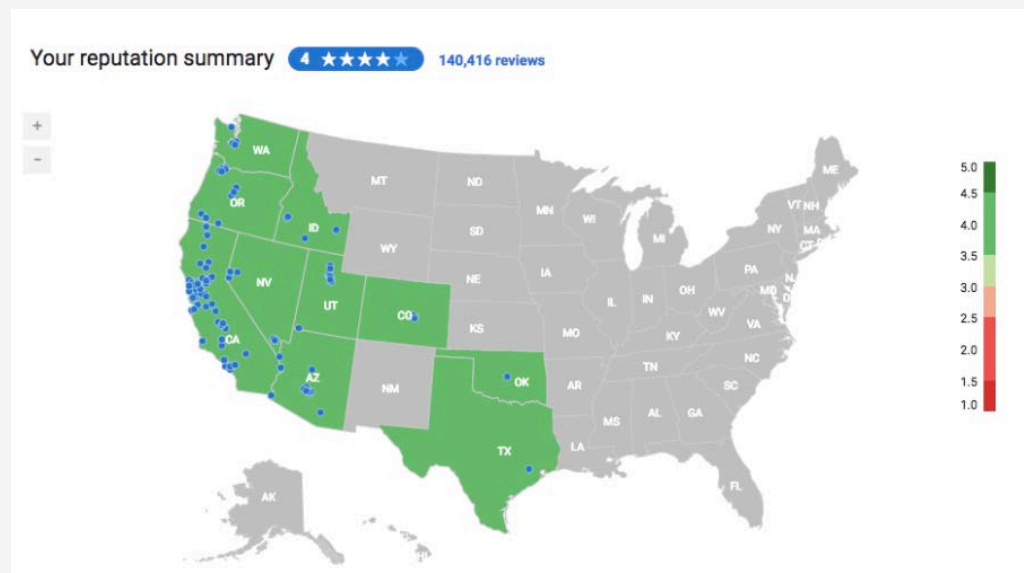
## Real-time guest experience management

More diners opening across the country meant more reviews pouring in, and more location managers responsible for managing their feedback. BirdEye's straightforward interface allowed new managers to learn the ropes in no time. With BirdEye's custom dashboards, monitoring and responding to reviews was no longer impossibly overwhelming -- even the less tech savvy diner managers could easily manage their reviews.

"They don't have to check a bunch of places, they use it and they're done, they move on with their day," said D'Amico Johnson, who trains marketing, operations and management on the BirdEye platform.

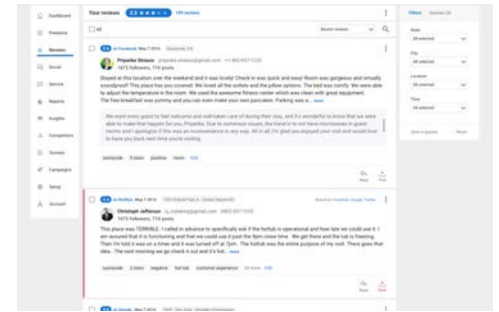
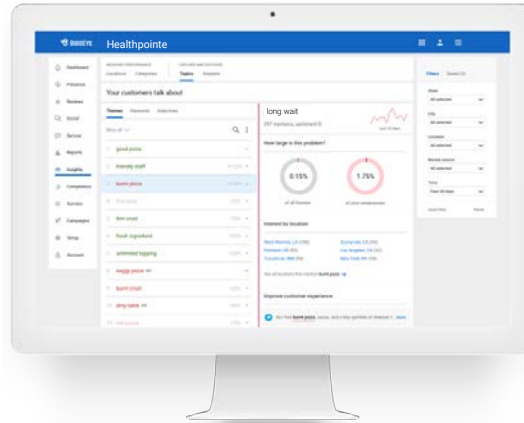
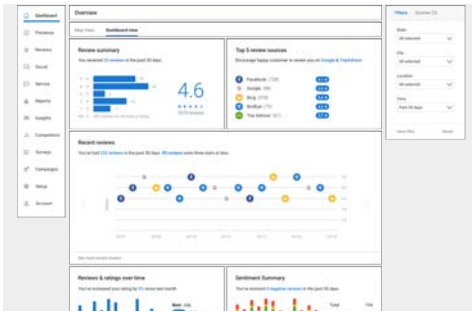
This efficient system allowed the whole organization to keep pace with customer feedback, address problems instantly, and deliver above and beyond guests' expectations. Black Bear Diner maintained a 4-star overall rating while nearly doubling both their diner locations and review volume.

Black Bear Diner can now monitor and manage more than 140K reviews and more than 3K survey responses with organized ease. All 110 diners are in sync with what their guests want, and they're equipped with the tools and insights required to deliver experiences that guests savor long after their plates are cleared.





# About BirdEye



BirdEye is a SaaS platform reimagining the way customer feedback is used to acquire and retain connected customers by closing the loop between business reputation and customer experience. The BirdEye platform captures real-time customer feedback, ratings and sentiment across every channel — review sites, social media, and surveys.

With BirdEye's tools, businesses can engage in every step of the customer journey, establish a positive online presence, and benchmark performance across locations and against competitors.

In today's reputation economy, BirdEye provides the eyes, ears and algorithms necessary to create a stand-out customer experience that pleases a digital consumer society reliant on instant gratification.

To see the BirdEye platform in action, visit [birdeye.com/scan-business/](https://birdeye.com/scan-business/)  
To learn more, go to [birdeye.com](https://birdeye.com) or call toll-free #1-800-561-3357.



# BirdEye features

The platform that drives your customers to become your marketing engine, out of the box.

## Listings

Fix your business listings on 50+ sites and boost SEO with a custom microsite for each business location displaying your best reviews and up-to-date business information.

## Review generation

Easily get new reviews from your happy customers on sites like Google and Facebook via automated real-time emails or text messages.

## Review monitoring

Monitor all your reviews from 250+ sites in real-time, from one place. Track progress with detailed reports of reviews and ratings over time, by source, and by location.

## Review management

Receive real-time new review alerts and respond instantly to all feedback from one place to solve problems before they become problems.

## Review marketing

Maximize the power of happy customer voices. Auto-promote your best reviews on your website, blog, search engines, and social pages like Facebook, Twitter and Google+.

## Social

Monitor, post, and engage with customers across blogs, forums, news sources, and social media networks - all in one place.

## Webchat

Convert every incoming chat from a website visitor into a text message conversation. Interact with prospects anytime, from anywhere to convert website clicks into customers.

## Ticketing

Resolve problems proactively. Assign support tickets to reviews and social comments. Track issue resolution and measure employee performance with detailed service reports.

## Insights

Identify root case driving sentiment for reviews, social media comments and survey responses. Turn insights into actions that drive meaningful results.

## Benchmarking

Get the same insights into your competitors' customers that you have for your own. Benchmark strengths and weaknesses and identify opportunities to capture market share.

## Surveys

Easily design custom surveys that engage customers in real-time. Measure customer experience, employee satisfaction, conduct market research, and more.