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Introduction to Advertising

- **Definition:** Advertising is a marketing tool used to promote products or services to potential customers.
- Role in Commerce: Helps businesses reach larger audiences, boost brand awareness, and increase sales.
- **Purpose of Presentation:** Overview of traditional and modern advertising types, with examples of each.

Traditional Advertising Overview

- **Definition:** Advertising methods that have been used historically, relying on offline media.
- Significance: Widely used before the digital age, traditional methods helped brands establish recognition and trust.
- Main Types Covered: Print, Broadcast, Outdoor, and Direct Mail.



Traditional Advertising – Print



- Examples: Newspapers, magazines, brochures.
- Advantages: Tangible, trusted medium, high engagement in target audiences.
- Limitations: Declining reach due to the shift to digital platforms, high costs for broad distribution.

Traditional Advertising – Broadcast

- Examples: Television and radio commercials.
- Advantages: High audience reach, especially effective for brand-building and mass marketing.
- Limitations: Expensive production and air time, limited interactivity, hard to target specific audiences.

Traditional Advertising – Outdoor

- Examples: Billboards, posters, transit advertising.
- Advantages: High visibility, effective in reaching local audiences, impactful for brand recognition.
- Limitations: Limited information delivery, effectiveness depends on location, high costs for prime spots.

Traditional Advertising – Direct Mail

- Examples: Flyers, catalogs, promotional postcards.
- Advantages: Highly targeted, personalized, tangible, and encourages direct action.



• Limitations: High production and mailing costs, lower response rate, easily disregarded as "junk mail."

Modern Advertising Trends



- Overview: Digital transformation has introduced new advertising methods, reaching audiences online.
- Types Covered: Social Media, Search Engine, Influencer, and Video Advertising.
- Importance: Modern advertising is interactive, targeted, and offers real-time metrics for performance tracking.

Conclusion and Key Takeaways

- Choosing the Right Type: Combination of traditional and digital methods may be most effective.
- Continuous Evolution: Advertising trends change rapidly; businesses must adapt to stay competitive.
- Impact on Commerce: Advertising remains a critical driver of consumer engagement and brand growth.

