

Hangout

Hangouts was a [cross-platform instant messaging](#) service developed by [Google](#). It originally was a feature of [Google+](#), becoming a standalone product in 2013, when Google also began integrating features from Google+ Messenger and [Google Talk](#) into Hangouts. Google then began integrating features of [Google Voice](#), its [Internet telephony](#) product, into Hangouts, stating that Hangouts was designed to be "the future" of Voice.

In 2017, Google began developing two separate enterprise communication products: [Google Meet](#) and [Google Chat](#),^[8] as a part of its [Google Workspace](#) office suite. Google began transitioning Workspace users from Hangouts to Meet and Chat in June 2020.^{[9][10][11]} Subsequently, Gmail users transitioned from Hangouts to Meet and Chat during 2021^[12] and the Hangouts service discontinued on November 1, 2022.