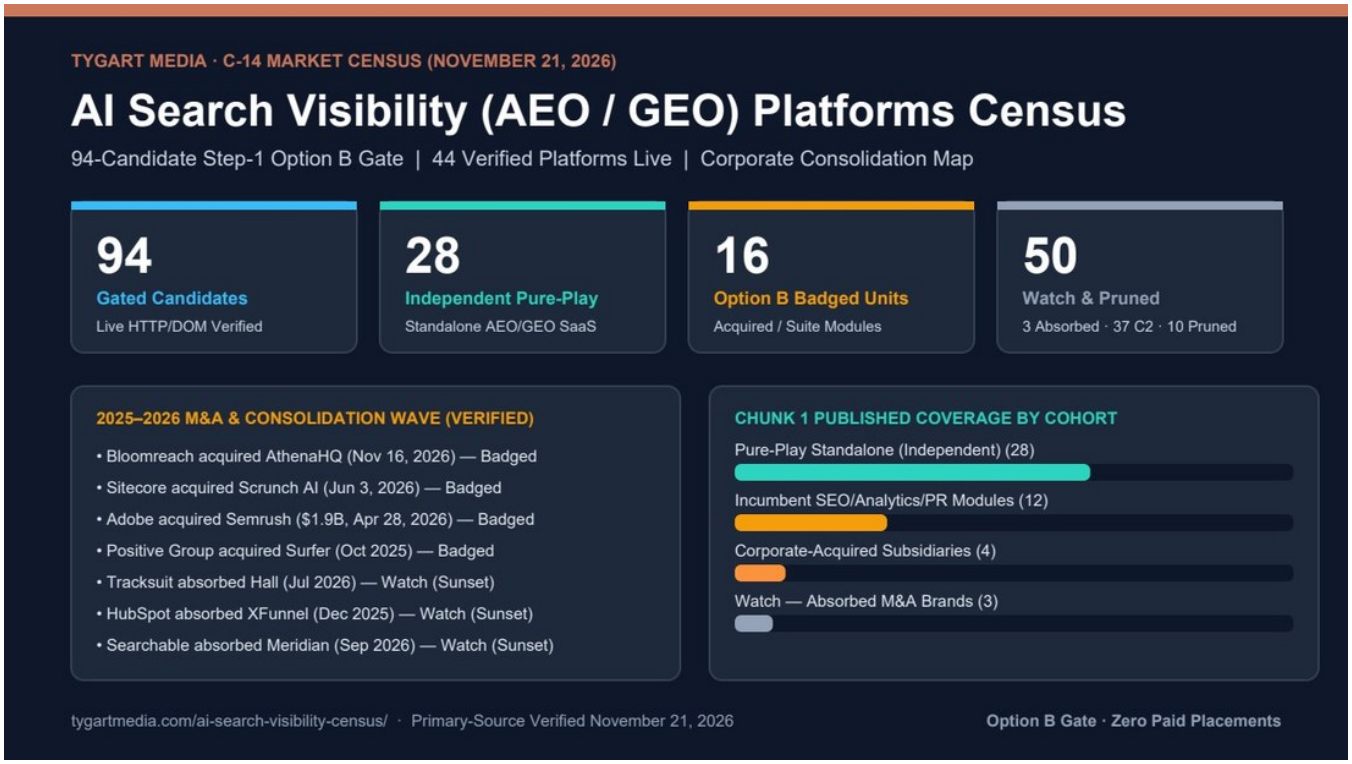
# AI Search Visibility (AEO / GEO) Platforms Census — Chunk 1 Index & Ownership Map

Option B Step-1 Gate: 94 Candidates Audited -> 44 Platforms Published (28 Independent Pure-Play + 16 Badged Corporate/Suite Units), 3 Absorbed Brands Watched, 37 Chunk-2 Watch Queue, 10 Pruned.




## 1. Step-1 Option B Gate Funnel (Exact 94-Row Reconciliation)

| Gate Disposition | Count | Scope & Primary-Source Rule |
|---|---|---|
| **Raw C-14 Scan Input** | 94 | Full candidate population sourced from llmtrackers.org & verified live Nov 21, 2026. |
| **Published — Independent Pure-Play** | 28 | Operating standalone AEO/GEO SaaS platforms with verified live commercial product presence. |
| **Published — Option B Badged Units** | 16 | 4 corporate-acquired subsidiaries (Bloomreach/AthenaHQ, Sitecore/Scrunch, Adobe/Semrush, Positive/Surfer) + 12 incumbent SEO/analytics/PR suite modules carrying visible parent badges. |
| **Watch — Brand Absorbed (M&A Sunset)** | 3 | Hall -> Tracksuit (Jul 2026), XFunnel -> HubSpot (Dec 2025), Meridian -> Searchable (Sep 2026). |
| **Watch — Chunk 2 Queue** | 37 | Live secondary SMB/agency trackers, free lead-gen graders (HubSpot Grader), and secondary rank-tracker add-ons. |
| **Pruned (Dead / Archived / Out-of-Def)** | 10 | 6 HTTP 404/521/DNS failures + 1 archived (LLMConsole) + 3 pivoted/agency/non-GEO (Akii, YOSA, Geostar). |

## 2. 2025–2026 Ownership & M&A Consolidation Map

| Platform | Parent / Acquirer | Date & Status | Option B Disposition |
|---|---|---|---|
| **AthenaHQ** | Bloomreach | Acquired Nov 16, 2026; plans active | Published — Badged |
| **Scrunch AI** | Sitecore | Acquired Jun 3, 2026; SitecoreAI integrated | Published — Badged |
| **Semrush** | Adobe Inc. | Acquired Apr 28, 2026 ($1.9B cash) | Published — Badged |
| **Surfer (AI Tracker)** | Positive Group (FR) | Acquired Oct 2025; rebranded surfer.ai | Published — Badged |
| **Generative Pulse** | Muck Rack | Launched Jul 2025; Muck Rack PR suite | Published — Badged |
| **SE Visible** | SE Ranking (SER Acq.) | Dedicated AI module by SE Ranking | Published — Badged |
| **Waikay** | InLinks Optimization | Spun out of InLinks entity SEO suite | Published — Badged |
| **Hall (usehall.com)** | Tracksuit | Acquired Jul 21, 2026; standalone wound down | Watch — Absorbed |
| **XFunnel (xfunnel.ai)** | HubSpot | Closed Dec 1, 2025; folded into HubSpot AEO | Watch — Absorbed |
| **Meridian** | Searchable | Acquired Sep 2026; customers migrated | Watch — Absorbed |

## 3. Complete Chunk 1 Published Directory (44 Verified Profiles)

**28 Independent Pure-Play Standalone Platforms:** Profound, Peec AI, Otterly.ai (OtterlyAI), Evertune, Brandlight AI, Bluefish AI, Goodie AI, AirOps, Promptwatch, Rankscale, Rankshift, Gumshoe AI, Siteline, LLMrefs, Knowatoa, Gauge, Cognizo, BrandRank.AI, Relixir (Rex), Parse, ALLMO, rocketblue (formerly Spotlight), Brandi AI, AEO Vision, Share of Model, RankPrompt, Xofu ((X)OFU), ZipTie (ziptie.ai / ziptie.dev).

**16 Option B Badged Corporate / Suite Units:** AthenaHQ [Bloomreach], Scrunch AI [Sitecore], Semrush (AI Visibility Toolkit) [Adobe Inc.], Surfer (AI Tracker) [Positive Group], Ahrefs Brand Radar [Ahrefs], Botify AI Visibility [Botify], Conductor (AEO & Intelligence) [Conductor], Similarweb AI Brand Visibility [Similarweb Ltd. (NYSE: SMWB)], Amplitude AI Visibility [Amplitude, Inc. (NASDAQ: AMPL)], Clearscope [Mushi Labs LLC (Clearscope)], seoClarity (ArcAI / Unified SEO & AEO) [seoClarity], Writesonic GEO [Writesonic, Inc.], SE Visible (by SE Ranking) [SE Ranking (SER Acquisition Inc.)], AccuRanker (AccuLLM) [AccuRanker], Generative Pulse (by Muck Rack) [Muck Rack], Waikay (by InLinks) [InLinks Optimization Ltd].

## 4. Machine-Readable Feeds & Methodology

| Artifact | Canonical URL |
|---|---|
| **Live Census Index** | https://tygartmedia.com/ai-search-visibility-census/ |
| **Combined Census llms.txt (44 Profiles)** | https://tygartmedia.com/ai-search-visibility-census-llms.txt |
| **Index Markdown Twin (.md)** | https://tygartmedia.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/11/ai-search-visibility-census.md |
| **Tygart Media AI Citation Service** | https://tygartmedia.com/ai-citation-service/ |

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