

Proposal for Emoji: Left Pushing Hand; Right Pushing Hand

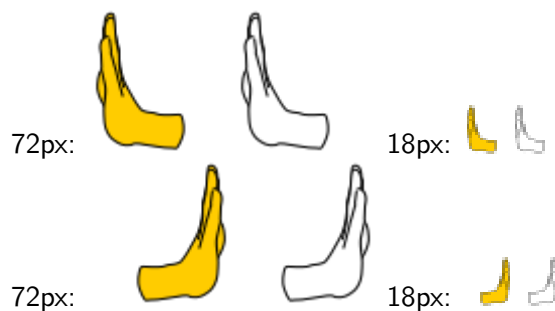
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1 Identification

- A. **CLDR short name:** Left pushing hand / Right pushing hand
- B. **CLDR keywords:** push, refuse, decline, dissociate, hold

2 Images



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3 Sort location

- A. **Category:** hand-fingers-open
- B. Should come after 🖐¹ *vulcan salute*

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5 Selection factors – Inclusion

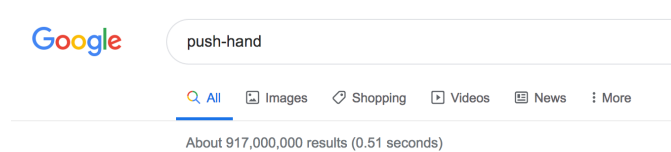
A. **Compatibility:** Not applicable.

B. **Expected usage level:**

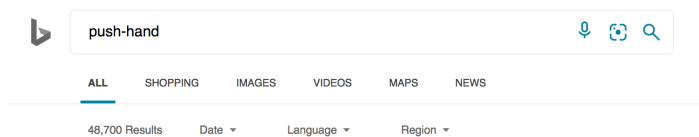
1. **Frequency** We expect high usage worldwide because the emojis can be used in every day life and can serve multiple meanings. Looking at frequency of emoji use we estimate the emoji around rank 5 as both, 🖐 pointing right and 🖐 raised hand, are also represented in this group and unmistakable have similarities with the proposed emoji.

Evidence of Frequency:

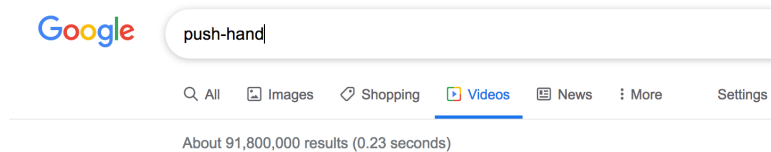
a. Google Search



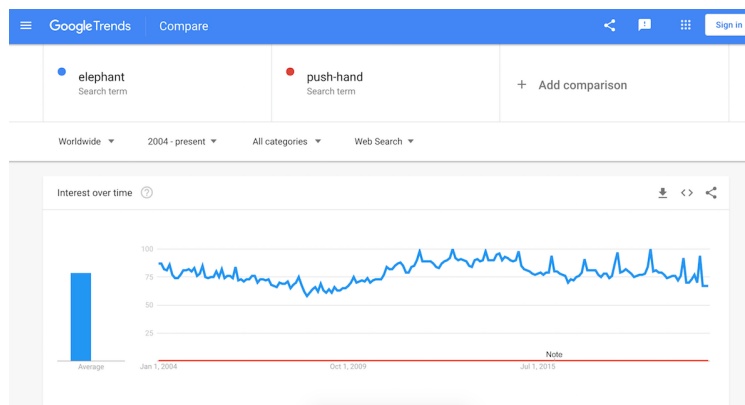
b. Bing Search



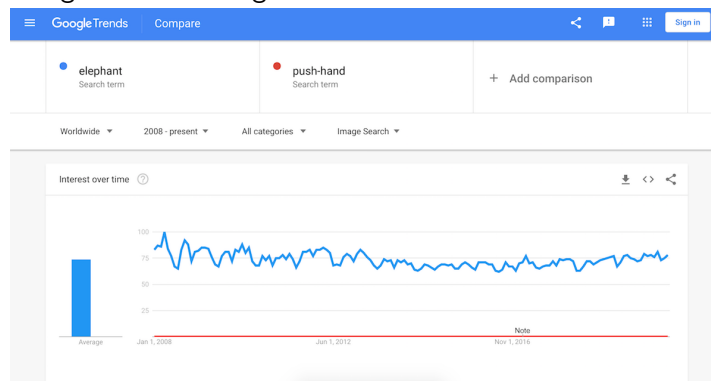
c. Google Video Search



d. Google Trends: Web Search



e. Google Trends: Image Search



2. **Multiple usages:** The emojis can be used to symbolize physically pushing things or protecting against them. But it also can denote metaphorical rejection or postponing. Furthermore, the gesture is pretty generic and can presumably be used in a lot more creative ways in sequences. Some are shown below. Also note that wrapping text with them is 🖐️FUN🖐️ and gives caps lock dignity.

3. Use in sequences:

😊🖐️🖐️😊 ²	High five
😊🖐️🍗	<i>(kindly) Thank you, but no thanks.</i>
😬🖐️🍗	<i>(annoyed) I don't want chicken!</i>
😌🖐️📚	<i>I will do this stuff tomorrow.</i>
😬🖐️	<i>It was nothing.</i>
😷🖐️🦠	<i>I am cautious.</i>
👊🖐️	<i>I will hit you.</i>
🖐️🐳🌊	<i>Push the whale back into the sea!</i>
😬🖐️💡	<i>The light is too bright!</i>
😊🖐️📺😊	Hand over things
🍕🖐️🍍	<i>No pineapple on pizza.</i>
🧀😬🖐️🐭	<i>Protect the cheese!</i>

²This could be used for a multi-skintoned high five emoji.

	Polonaise
	Holding things
	Jump start
	<i>I need more room!</i>
	<i>Kiss me!</i>
	<i>Tell me everything!</i>
	Additional nuance between  and 
	<i>I've got time on my hands</i>
	<i>The situation got out of hand!</i>
	<i>Stop the music!</i>
	<i>Talk to the hand.</i>
	Bulldozer ³
	World domination
	<i>You'd make such a good couple!</i>
	Protection
	<i>You've got this!</i>
	Social pressure
	 IMAGINATION 
	 but a bit more on the 'namaste' side than the 'pray' side.
	Using the fortune teller
	Soccer is boring.

³We want to point out that the *bulldozer* sequence almost seems to be worth a proposal by itself for us and can be used by its own in many sequences. There is no "bulldozer" or "wrecking ball" emoji yet.

- 4. **Breaking new ground:** This proposal adds a possibility to set emotes in direct relationships similar to the pointing index emojis, but it allows to set emojis more in contrast as opposed to the pointing fingers. By the same time it would be the one of few emojis that represents applying force to an object. It also adds nuances that can't already be represented (see 6.H.).
- C. **Image distinctivness:** Hand emojis are in general pretty distinct from non hand emojis. Inside the category of hand emojis the proposed emojis are still distinguishable from other hand emojis because of their, inside the hand categories unique, 'L'-shape.
- D. **Completeness:** Not applicable.

6 Selection factors – Exclusion

- E. **Petitions or “frequent requests”:** Not applicable.
 - F. **Overly specific:** The emoji depicts a generic gesture and thus allows users who think outside the box to discover new ways to utilize it.
 - G. **Open-ended:** You could consider adding versions of this emoji facing up or down. We would advise not to do so because these couldn't be used in conjunction with other emojis.
 - H. **Already representable:** Some use cases can be represented by the 🙌 raised hand emoji, even though in a lot of cases the proposed emoji could be a better fit because it works better to connect emojis while the raised hand emoji works more between writer and reader of a message. Also using the proposed emoji to decline e.g. an apple can be understood as “I don't want an apple *right now*” whereas using raised hand in this situation is more like “I don't like apples *at all*”.
- There are also a lot of other use cases where the raised hand emoji doesn't fit like e.g. postponing work into the future or using a hand as protection.
- I. **Logos, brands, UI icons, signage, specific people, deities:** Not applicable.
 - J. **Transient:** There is no reason to assume that the level of usage will decline. This emoji will certainly keep its meaning throughout all of time and can be used a lot in everyday life.
 - K. **Faulty comparison:** This proposal is not justified by comparison with any other emoji.
 - L. **Exact Images:** The proposal does not require an exact image.

7 Other Information

Consideration which hand to use

Originally we proposed the right hand emoji to use the right hand. We revised this decision because otherwise sequences like 🙌😊🙌 would look weird. Also the new emoji works better for gestures like 🗯️🙌. On the other hand, with the current proposal sequences like 🙌😊🙌 are technically wrong, but we think this error is negligible.