

Here's what it looks like to change your Gmail address – will you? [Gallery]

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Google quietly revealed last week that it is adding an option for users to change their Gmail address and it seems a lot of people are excited, but will you change yours?

Changing your Google account email address has been possible for years, but not if you're using a "@gmail.com" email address. With literal billions of people using Gmail, that's why it was a pretty big deal for a Google support page to suddenly reveal that the company is "gradually rolling out" an option to change your Gmail address.

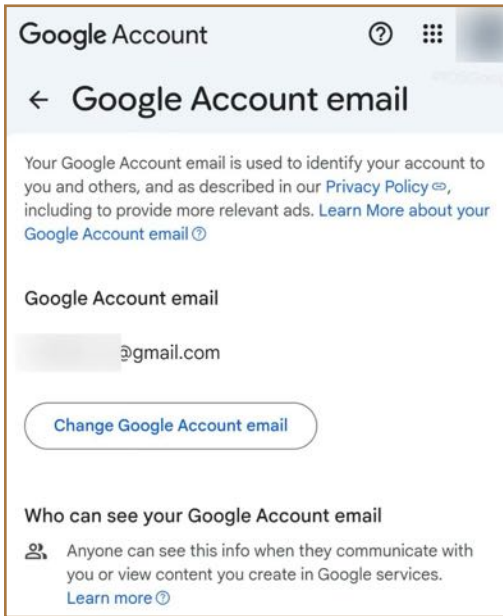
- [Google says it is 'gradually rolling out' option to change your @gmail.com address](#)

The notice only appeared on the Hindi translation of Google's support page at first, but as of December 31, now appears on just about every translation of the page we've checked – [German](#), [Spanish](#), [Japanese](#), [French](#), and many others – *except* for the English one.

Despite that oddity, the option *is* rolling out. We've seen a few user reports following our initial post about the change where users have successfully [accessed the page](#) used to change your Gmail address, and even [successfully changed theirs over](#).

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You can check if the option is available on your account [here](#), and it'll look like the screenshot below if the option is available on your account. If it's *not* available, you'll see a message saying that "this setting can't be changed for your account."

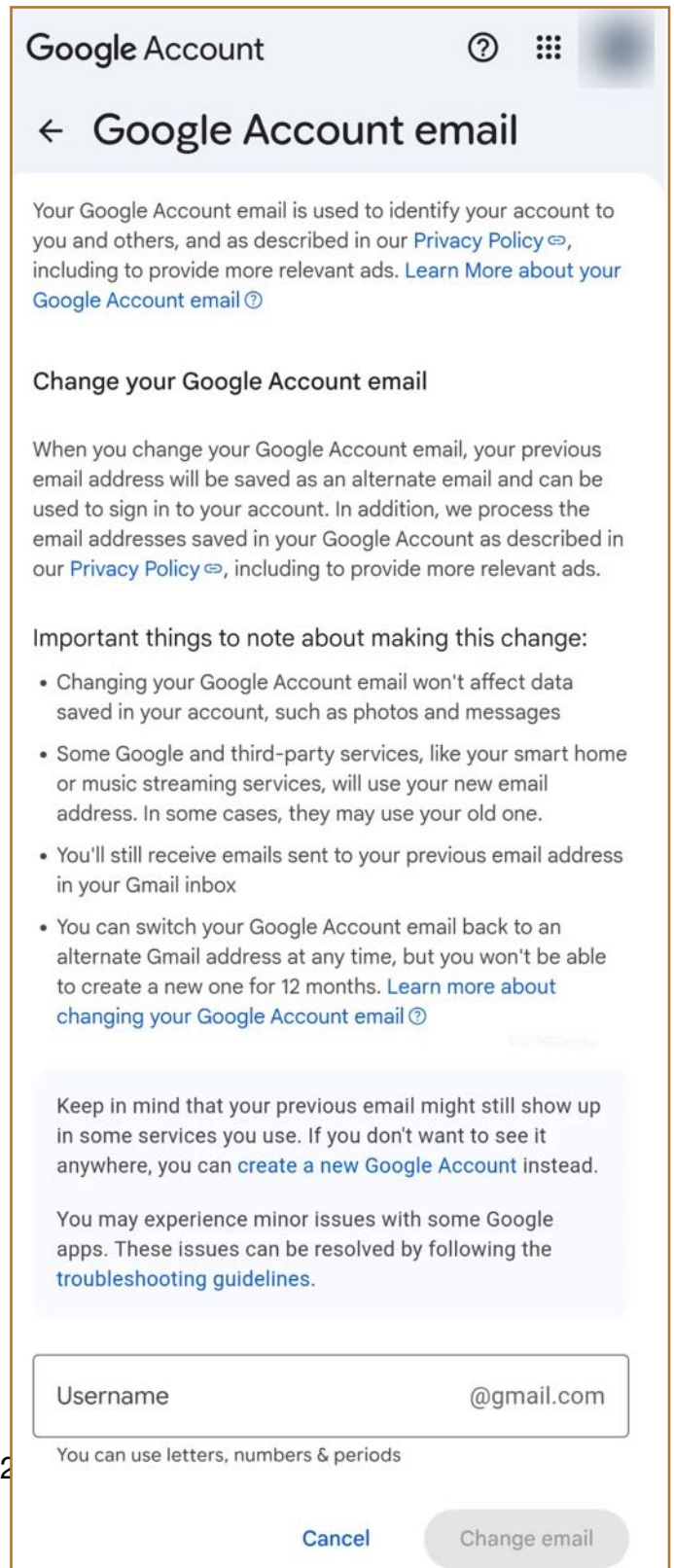


After tapping “Change Google Account email,” you’re presented with a second screen that explains what happens when you change your Gmail address, how it affects various Google services, and confirms you can switch back “at any time.”

Then, you simply input the username you want and hit “Change email.” It looks remarkably simple!

But the question remains, will you actually change your Gmail address?

While many are no doubt content with their existing address, there are countless reasons to change it. Perhaps you made the account years or even decades ago and have since outgrown the subject matter, need something more professional, or have even changed your actual name in the time since the address was created. Since Google’s process automatically means you have all of your emails forwarded to the new address while keeping all of your login details and account data intact, it really takes all of the hurdles out of the switch. Notably, though, quite a few folks have mentioned that the forwarding would defeat the purpose for them, as it means that spam emails would continue.



Will you change your Gmail address?



2,052 total votes

Editor's Note: I elected to show you the survey results the article's author received by the time I read his piece.

Interesting!