

# Ecuador's WCAG 2.0 AA Web-Accessibility Mandate — a Binding Law With Near-Zero Measured Compliance

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Quality score: 68/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

## Summary

Ecuador adopted a binding WCAG 2.0 AA web-accessibility standard in 2014, enforced via self-certification from 2020 — yet a peer-reviewed 2017 audit found none of 44 evaluated university websites compliant, averaging 5.0/10 with 8,970 accessibility errors.

## Key dimensions

| Dimension                | Score |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Innovation level         | 2/5   |
| Sustainability (ongoing) | 1/1   |
| Evaluation evidence      | 1/1   |
| Demonstrated reach       | 0/1   |
| Documented learning      | 1/1   |

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## Data sources

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