

U.S. Web Design System — Institutionalising WCAG-Tested Components Across Federal Government

Digital Inclusion · Good practice · United States of America

Quality score: 96/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

Since 2015, GSA's open-source USWDS has built WCAG 2.1 AA accessibility into government web components by default; its 2025 VPAT report tested 44 components with automated and assistive-technology checks on every code change.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Innovation level	4/5
Sustainability (ongoing)	1/1
Evaluation evidence	1/1
Demonstrated reach	1/1
Documented learning	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-22

[General Services Administration \(GSA\), Technology Transformation Services](#) — accessed 2026-09-22

[USWDS accessibility documentation](#) — accessed 2026-09-22

[GSA 10x: USWDS investment](#) — accessed 2026-09-22

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