

Web Leads Monthly Meeting

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Welcome and Kickoff

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Agenda

- Welcome and Kickoff
- September Meeting Feedback
- Transparent Government Act & Required Actions
- Accessibility: Automated Testing Tool Update
- Maryland Web Design System Updates

Presenters

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Web Leads Meeting Feedback

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Maryland web leads + MDDS office hours

70% of respondents liked the idea of setting up standing office hours or occasional working meetings to peer review, work through challenges, and share successes.

MDDS team will:

- Send a survey to gauge best timing and cadence
- Identify other preferences for office hours (or working meetings)
- Then set up initial meeting/series

Topics you expressed interest in hearing about

1. Analytics tools
2. Accessibility (+ accessible chatbots)
3. Plain Language
4. Design System Timeline
5. Mapping the content on your site
6. Technical and project management discussions
7. Training on GA, SharePoint, GitHub
8. Web presence critique

Transparent Government Act Initiative - Website Requirements

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The Transparent Government Act

Phase I: Catalogue

Catalog

Each department & unit is required to collect and report:

- ☐ Number of credential types issued;
- ☐ Descriptions of credentials issued;
- ☐ Terms of each credential issued;
- ☐ Any criminal history taken into consideration when processing applications;
- ☐ Authorizing statute and regs for each;
- ☐ Application fees;
- ☐ Submission methods; and
- ☐ Timeline for determination.

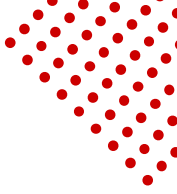
Analysis and Recommendations

In addition to reporting on the facts, the legislation requires expert staff at each department & unit to conduct analysis of each process and recommend on:

- ☐ How to achieve timeline and determination consistency;
- ☐ How to expedite timelines where necessary;
- ☐ How to empower staff to realize efficiencies in processes

The Transparent Government Act

Phase II: Data Transparency Requirements



By December 1, 2024, for each credential issued:

- A description of the application process;
- Any changes to the process in the past 12 months;
- The time to determine whether an application is complete (Estimate if not currently tracked);
- The time to for the unit to make a determination on the application (Estimate if not currently tracked);
- The estimated time required to complete the application.

By October 1, 2025 and each year thereafter:

- A description of the application process;
- Any changes to the process in the past 12 months;
- The time to determine whether an application is complete (Tracked timeline);
- The time to for the unit to make a determination on the application (Tracked timeline);
- The estimated time required to complete the application.

Guidance on “Changes to Process”

Each credentialing unit shall annually update a webpage that an applicant would access to complete the application with how the process has changed, if at all, in the previous 12 month period.

Updates should include:

- Changes to method of collection (Paper form, online form, etc);
- Changes to application or issuance fee;
- Changes to term of PLC;
- Changes to eligibility requirements;
- Changes to timelines; and/or
- Changes to required application materials.

If there have been **no** changes in the preceding 12 months, no update is required.

Where to list required information

Provide the required information:

- Where the applicant would initiate the application
 - Initiate by clicking into an application, logging into a portal, completing a fillable PDF, or downloading a print application
 - There could potentially be multiple such points depending on the site and its approach
- NEAR FUTURE: in the (in-development) centralized Transparent Government Act application tracker
 - Similar to or an extension of the original [Transparent Government Act - Individual Submissions form](#)

How to list required information on sites: **changes**

For changes to the application process in the last 12 months, use a contextual approach since there may be no, simple, or significant changes to application processes.

- Use consistent intro language such as, “Application process changes as of MM/DD/YYYY:”
- Followed by a simple description/listing of updates
- If application has accompanying instructions; can be noted inline as well

Guidance on “Process Times”

Units should break this time estimate up into three metrics:

- Time to complete application (by applicant)
- Time to verify application (Agency/Dept validation)
- Time make determination on application (Agency/Dept decision)
- Values may vary, e.g., N/A, 3-5 minutes, 1 hour, 1-3 business days, 2 weeks, etc.

How to list required information on sites: **processing time**





For listing the processing time for a given application, MDDS recommends adapting the [Maryland OneStop Portal](#) language approach.

	Complete Application	Verify Application	Application Determination
Narrative	Completion time: 1 - 3 minutes	Verification time: 10 - 15 minutes	Determination time: 10 days - 30 days
Fragment	1 - 3 mins completion	10 - 15 mins verification	10 - 30 day determination

Note: values and increments to change based on each application. Narrative vs. fragment approach based on context.

How to list required information on sites: **processing**

[Maryland OneStop Portal](#) also includes patterns incorporating icons that could be adapted for additional application pro:

	Complete Application	Application Determination
Vertical Option	 15 mins - 30 mins Completion Time	 10 days Approval time
Horizontal Option	 15 - 30 mins	 10 day approval

Next Steps: **updates**

More is coming:

- Dec. 1 deadline
- Brad to share these slides with the respondents of the original permit, license, and certificate identification survey
- Tracking mechanism

Accessibility: Automated Testing Tool Update

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Automated Accessibility Testing

- OOA team collating most trafficked pages for agency sites
- Initial scans will be completed by our team
- Roll out will occur in the coming months
- Consults will be coming soon!

Maryland Web Design System Demos

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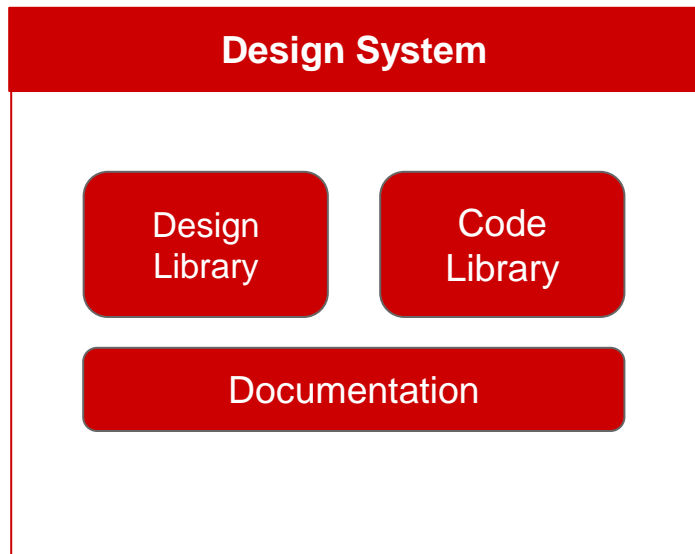
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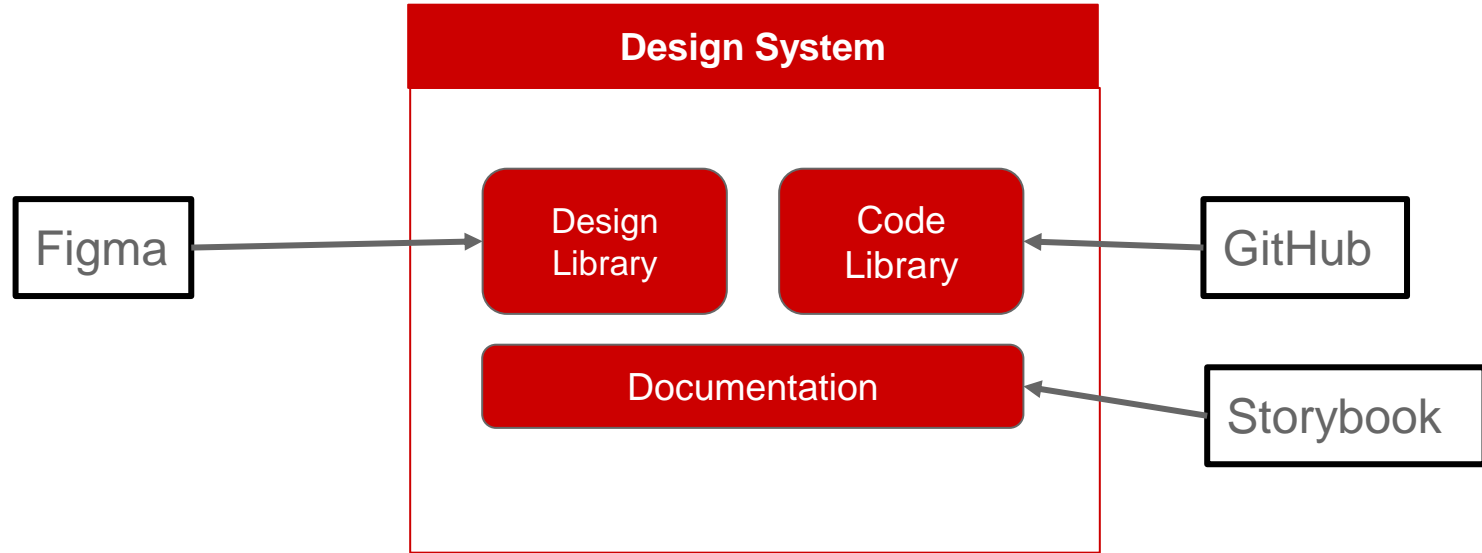
Maryland Web Design System

We are developing a public toolset that helps state agencies develop accessible, mobile-friendly websites with a consistent look and feel.

We want sites in Maryland to use designs that are easy to use, accessible and instantly recognizable as Maryland websites.



Design System Tour (Demos)



Component Library Demo

- Maryland Web Design System Figma file
- Sharepoint Web Parts Figma file
- Next up: Color, Typography

Timeline: Available for feedback Monday Nov. 9th

Note: See appendix slides for more information.

Web Components Tech Stack

aligning to USWDS' tech stack

Customized Assets:

USWDS (sass)


Web Components:

Lit

Documentation:

Storybook

Example Component

 **U.S. Web Design System (USWDS)**

Read the Docs

[How to use USWDS](#)[Design principles](#)[Components](#)[Patterns](#)[Design tokens](#)[Utilities](#)[Templates](#)[About](#)

Components

Accordion

Alert

Preview

Code

Guidance

Package

Latest updates

Banner

Breadcrumb

Button

Button group

Card

Character count

Checkbox

Collection

Combo box

Data visualizations

Date picker

Date range picker

COMPONENTS

Alert

An alert keeps users informed of important and sometimes time-sensitive changes.

Component preview

STANDARD ALERTS

Informative status

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, [consectetur adipiscing](#) elit, sed do eiusmod.

Warning status

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, [consectetur adipiscing](#) elit, sed do eiusmod.

Success status

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Error status

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, [consectetur adipiscing](#) elit, sed do eiusmod.

Emergency status

On this page

Component preview

Standard alerts

Slim alert

Alert with no icon

Component code

Guidance

When to use the alert component

When to consider something else

Usability guidance

Accessibility guidance

Using the alert component

Package

Latest updates

Example Component

! Emergency status

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod.

```
1  <!-- Without A Web Component -->
2  <div class="usa-site-alert usa-site-alert--emergency">
3    <div class="usa-alert">
4      <div class="usa-alert__body">
5        <h4 class="usa-alert__heading">Emergency Status</h4>
6        <p class="usa-alert__text"> Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, <a
7          href="#">consectetur adipiscing</a> elit, sed do eiusmod. </p>
8      </div>
9    </div>
```

```
1  <!-- With A Web Component -->
2  <maryland-site-alert type="emergency">
3    <div slot="heading">Emergency Status</div>
4    <div slot="content"> Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, <a
5      href="#">consectetur adipiscing</a> elit, sed do eiusmod. </div>
6  </maryland-site-alert>
```

Lit Source Code

JS TS

```
import {html, css, LitElement} from 'lit';
import {customElement, property} from 'lit/decorators.js';

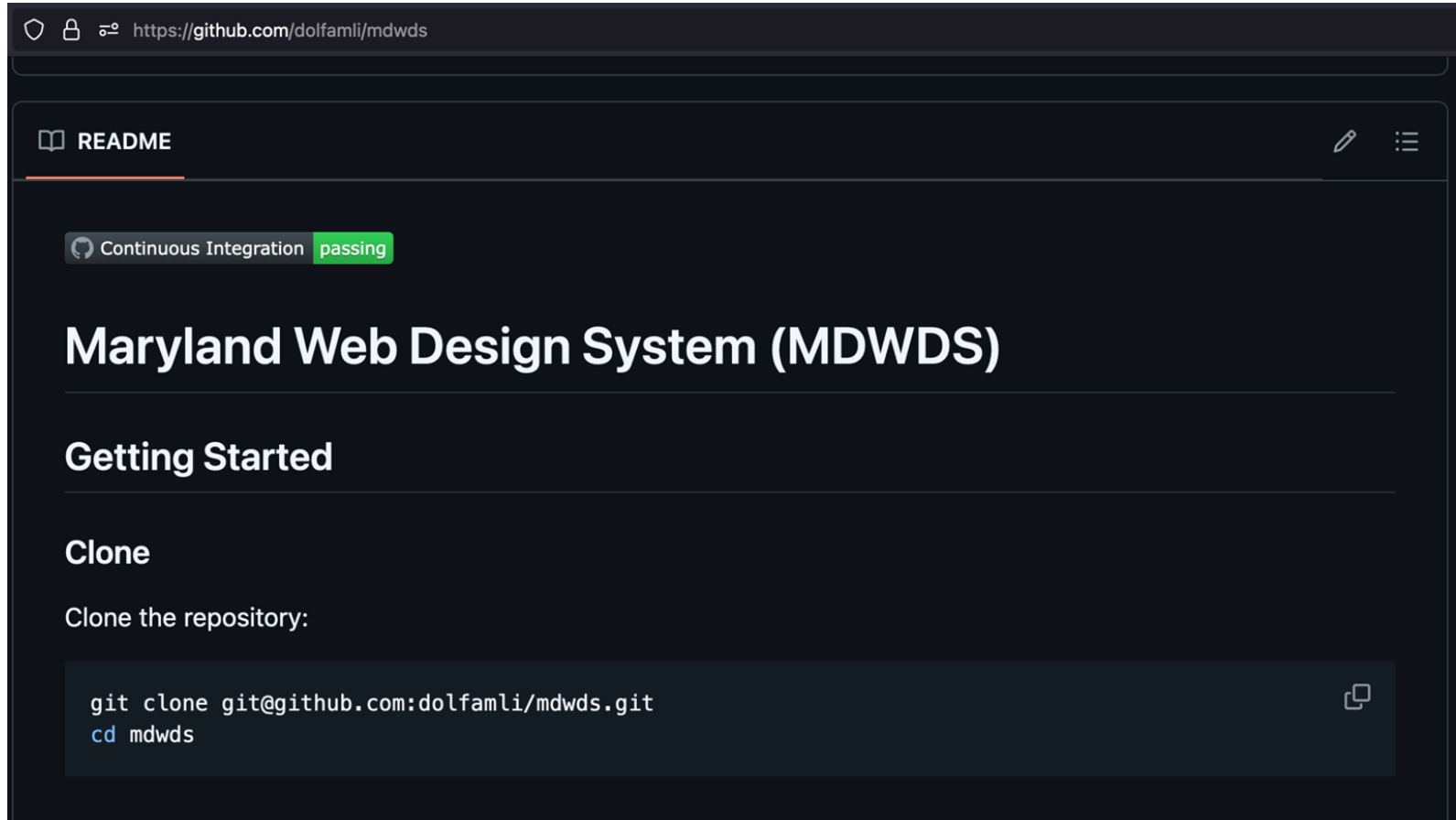
@customElement('simple-greeting')
export class SimpleGreeting extends LitElement {
  static styles = css`p { color: blue }`;

  @property()
  name = 'Somebody';

  render() {
    return html`<p>Hello, ${this.name}!</p>`;
  }
}
```

```
<simple-greeting name="World"></simple-greeting>
```

Source Code on GitHub



Documentation via Storybook

Storybook

Find components

MDWDS Overview

BETA COMPONENTS

Login.gov Button

Alert

Docs

Informational Alert

Warning Alert

Success Alert

Error Alert

No Heading Alert

Icon

Link

Site Alert

ALPHA COMPONENTS

Header Nav

Step Indicator

STORIES

Informational Alert

Informational Alert

texty texty text

Hide code

```
<maryland-alert type="info">  
<div slot="heading">Informational Alert</div>  
<div slot="content">texty texty text</div>  
</maryland-alert>
```

Copy

Warning Alert

Warning Alert

texty texty text

Show code

Success Alert

Success Alert

Informational Alert

Warning Alert

Success Alert

Error Alert

No Heading Alert

Join the MDWDS

- Contribute
- Test
- Provide Feedback

MDWDS meets every other Wednesday afternoon.

Contact Lilly to join lilly.madigan@maryland.gov

Future meeting schedule (subject to change)

2024:

December 5th, 1:30-3 (in person, Crownsville)

2025:

January 15, 12-1:30 (virtual)

February 11th, 12:30-2 (in person, Crownsville)

March 10th, 2-3:30 (virtual)

April 8th, 12:30-2 (in person, Crownsville)

May 14th, 12-1:30 (virtual)

June 10th, 12:30-2 (in person, Crownsville)

July 9th, 2-3:30 (virtual)

August 12th, 12:30-2 (in person, Crownsville)

September 17th, 12-1:30 (virtual)

October 14th, 12:30-2 (virtual)

November 19th, 12:30-2 (virtual)

December 9th, 12:30-2 (in person, Crownsville)

Q&A + Discussion

Thank you and see you
December 5th in Crownsville!

[Feedback Survey](#)

Appendix

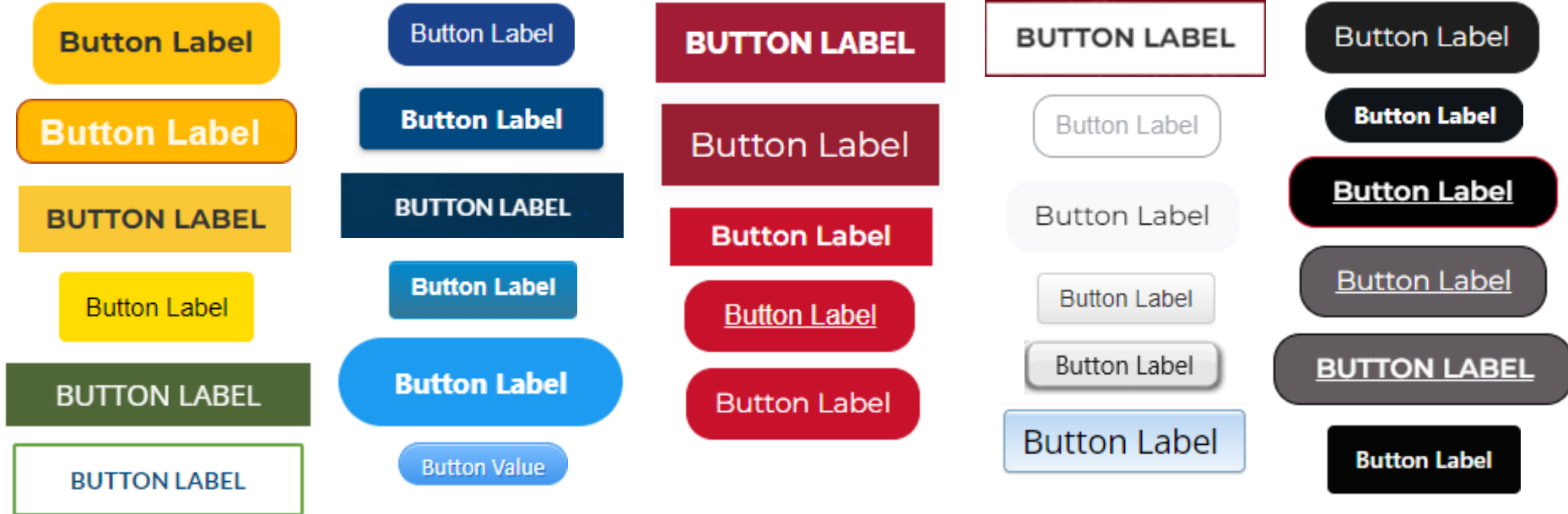
Example: Buttons & Search

Across Maryland.gov and Maryland websites there are dozens of ways in which buttons are presented. This lack of consistency makes it hard for users to know what to expect and how things work across different sites.

The following slide include a **quick sampling** of buttons found on Maryland websites. Note the differences in:

- Shape
- Color
- Capitalization
- Effects






Button Variations (samples)



Maryland Design System Search

Our goal is to have easily recognized components, in this case Search. Here's what we've adapted from the [United States Web Design System](#) (USWDS) for buttons.

*Note: we will be producing button variants allowing for ALL CAPS, icons use (within buttons), and different colorways.

	primary CTA	secondary CTA
default		
hover		
disabled (ghost)		n/a

USWDS Component Crosswalk

1.	Accordion (A)	13.	Date picker (U)	25.	Input prefix / suffix (U)	37.	Select (U)
2.	Alert (C)	14.	Date range picker (U)	26.	Language selector (U)	38.	Side navigation (U)
3.	Banner (C)	15.	File input (U)	27.	Link (U)	39.	Site alert (U)
4.	Breadcrumb (A)	16.	Footer (A)	28.	List (U)	40.	Step indicator (U)
5.	Button (A)	17.	Form (U)	29.	Memorable date (U)	41.	Summary box (U)
6.	Button group (A)	18.	Grid (U)	30.	Modal (U)	42.	Table (U)
7.	Card (A)	19.	Header (A)	31.	Pagination (U)	43.	Tag (U)
8.	Character count (U)	20.	Icon (U)	32.	Process list (A)	44.	Text input (U)
9.	Checkbox (U)	21.	Icon list (U)	33.	Prose (U)	45.	Time picker (U)
10.	Collection (U)	22.	Identifier (U)	34.	Radio buttons (U)	46.	Tooltip (U)
11.	Combo box (U)	23.	In-page navigation (C)	35.	Range slider (U)	47.	Typography (A)
12.	Data visualizations (U)	24.	Input mask (U)	36.	Search (U)	48.	Validation (U)

Legend
(color coding and tagging)

Adapting for Design System; also as "(A)"






























Considering adapting; also as "(C)"

Using as-is; also as "(U)"

Listing from the USWDS [Component Library](#).

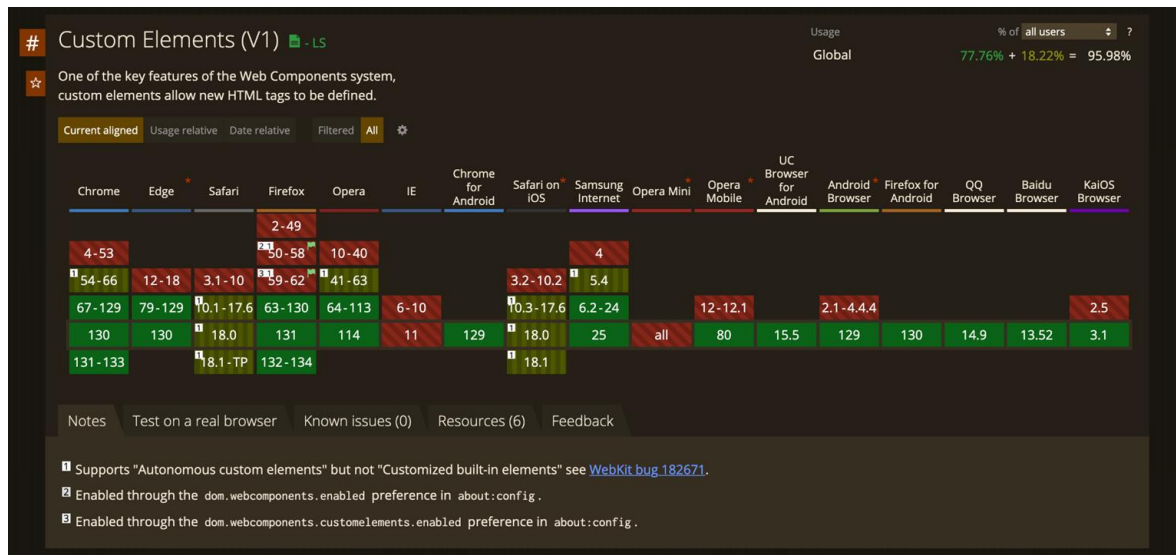
Why Web Components?

built into
browsers

Browser support	 CHROME	 OPERA	 SAFARI	 FIREFOX	 EDGE
 HTML TEMPLATES	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE
 CUSTOM ELEMENTS	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE
 SHADOW DOM	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE
 ES MODULES	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE	 STABLE

Why Web Components?

well-supported
(+ polyfills)



Why Web Components?

widely used



Why Web Components?

growing use in
government



U.S. Web Design System (USWDS)

VA.gov | Design System

State of California

Design System **BETA**

Why Web Components?

research
spreadsheet

Organization	Level	Main Website	Docs Website	Docs Tool	Github	License	USWDS?	Supported Frameworks	Web Components?	Web Components Framework
USWDS	Federal	https://designsys.gov	see github	Storybook	https://github.com	CC0	yes	Web Components	yes	Lit
VA.gov	Federal	https://design.va.gov	https://design.va.gov	Storybook	https://github.com	MIT	yes	Web Components	yes	Stencil
MD	State	tbd	tbd	Storybook	https://github.com	tbd	yes	Web Components	yes	Lit
MA	State	https://mayflower.ma.gov	https://mayflower.ma.gov	Patternlab	https://github.com	GNU	?	React, PHP (Drupal)	no	n/a
NJ	State	https://innovation.nj.gov	https://newjersey.gov	Fractal	https://github.com	MIT	yes	none	no	n/a
DE	State	https://gic.delaware.gov	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
CA	State	https://designsys.ca	https://designsys.ca	Eleventy	https://github.com	MIT	no	Web Components	yes	Vanilla Web Components
CT	State	https://portal.ct.gov	?	Storybook	?	?	no	none	no	n/a
Boston	City	n/a	https://patterns.boston.gov	Fractal	https://github.com	none	no	Web Components	yes	Stencil
UK	International	https://design-system.uk	?	?	?	?				
NSW	International	https://www.digitalservice.nsw.gov.au								
Ontario	International	https://designsys.on.ca								
Singapore	International	https://www.designsys.sg			https://github.com	custom			yes	Lit
GOLD Au	International	https://gold.design			https://github.com	MIT		React	no	
Canada	International	https://design.gc.ca			https://github.com	MIT			no	

Why Web Components?

works anywhere
html works

