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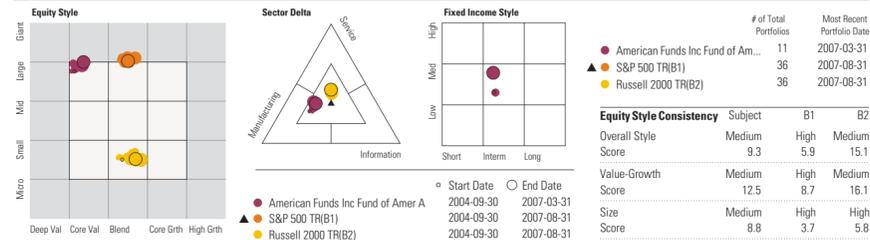
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# American Funds Inc Fund of Amer A AMECX

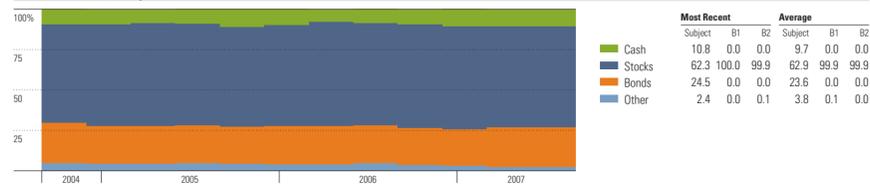
## Holdings-Based Style Consistency

Start Date: 2004-09-01, End Date: 2007-08-31, Morningstar Category: US OE Moderate Allocation

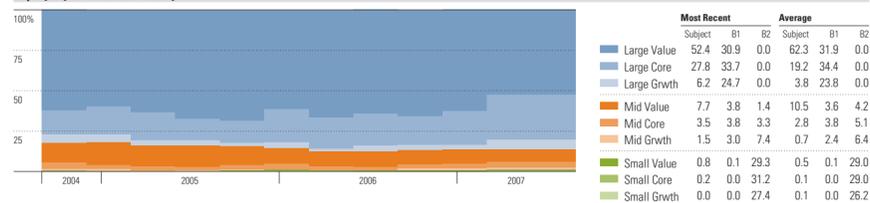
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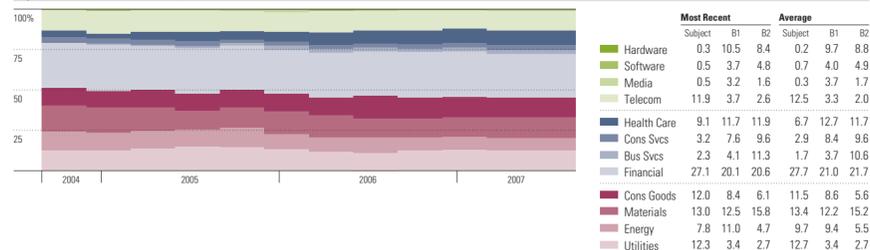
### Asset Allocation History



### Equity Style Allocation History



### Equity Sector Allocation History



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# American Century Balanced Adv TWBAX

## Investment Summary

Data as of: 2007-08-31, Currency: USD, Benchmark 1: S&P 500 TR, Benchmark 2: Russell 2000 TR

### Trailing Return

	Total	+/-	+/-	Cat %
	Return %	BM1	BM2	Rank
1 Mo	1.07	-0.43	-1.20	28
3 Mo	-2.10	1.18	4.02	51
6 Mo	3.37	-2.33	2.83	55
YTD	3.25	-1.95	1.83	73
1 Yr	9.70	-5.44	-1.67	79
3 Yr	8.30	-3.67	-6.15	79
5 Yr	8.89	-3.11	-7.70	67
10 Yr	5.55	-1.20	-2.24	70
15 Yr	7.32	-3.60	-4.20	86

### Ratings as of 2007-08-31

	Overall	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Rating	2★	2★	3★	2★
Risk	—	0.25	0.46	0.82
Return	—	3.96	5.77	1.73
# Investments Rated	876	876	665	374

### Risk/Reward

	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Versus Benchmark 1	-0.95	0.67	-0.15
Alpha	0.65	0.57	0.57
Beta	91.60	90.57	90.56
R-Squared	2.99	5.17	6.87
Tracking Error	-1.29	-0.60	-0.17
Information Ratio	-3.87	-3.11	-1.20

	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Miscellaneous	4.93	6.58	8.90
Standard Deviation	0.84	0.90	0.20
Sharpe Ratio	1.55	1.62	0.32

### Manager Information

Robert V. Gahagan. Since 2001-12. B.A. U of Missouri - Kansas City, M.B.A. U of Missouri - Kansas City.  
 G. David MacEwen. Since 2001-05. B.A. Boston U, M.B.A. U of Delaware.  
 William Martin. CFA. Since 1992-05. B.S. 1986 U of Illinois.

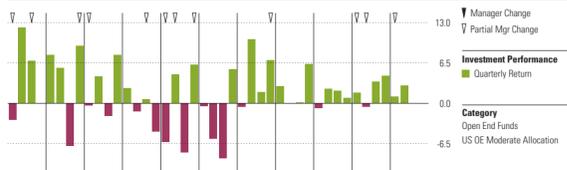
### Investment Strategy

The investment seeks capital growth and current income. The fund normally invests approximately 60% of assets in equity securities and the remainder in bonds and other fixed-income securities. The fixed-income portion of the fund's portfolio is invested primarily in a diversified portfolio of high-grade government, corporate, asset-backed and similar securities payable in U.S. currency. Up to 20% of the fixed-income assets may be invested in securities rated in the fourth category by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization, and up to 15% may be invested in securities rated in the fifth category.

### Operations

Minimum Initial Investment: 2500  
 Inception Date: 1997-01-06  
 Management Fees: Actual: 0.90% Max: 0.90%  
 Sales Fees: —  
 Firm Name: American Century Investments  
 Telephone: 800-345-8765  
 Web Address: —

### Performance



### Composition

	%	#
Cash	21.3	—
Stocks	46.9	121
Bonds	31.8	217
Other	0.0	—
Total	100.0	355

### Equity Style %

	%
Giant	43.2
Large	26.7
Mid	28.4
Small	1.7
Micro	0.0
Avg Market Cap (mil)	32,911.2

### Measures

	%	Growth Factors	%
Price/Earnings	13.96	LT Earn Gr	10.18
Price/Book	2.86	Hist Earn Gr	25.38
Price/Sales	1.25	Book Val Gr	10.50
Price/Cash Flow	8.41	Sales Gr	11.46
Dividend Yield	1.38	Cash Flow Gr	20.88

### Fixed Income Style

	Avg Eff Duration	5.1 Yrs
	Avg Eff Maturity	7.8 Yrs
	Avg Credit Quality	AAA
	Avg Wtd Coupon	5.34%
	Avg Wtd Price	88.56

### Credit Rating Breakdown

	%	Maturity Breakdown	%
AAA	84.5	1-3	8.5
AA	3.6	3-5	10.3
A	4.6	5-7	5.5
BBB	7.1	7-10	14.9
BB	0.2	10-15	7.3
B or below B	0.0	15-20	6.0
Not Rated	0.0	20-30	42.9
		30+	4.6

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## Returns-Based Style Analysis

Currency: EUR, Morningstar Category: Europe OE Europe Large-Cap Value Equity

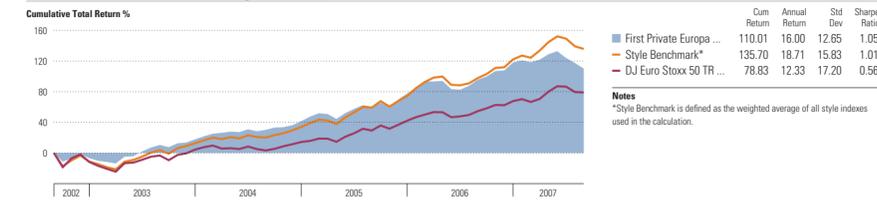
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### Summary of Historical Exposures

	Most Recent	Average	Std Dev	Min	Max
DJ EURO STOXX Style Lg-Cap Val R	45.10	47.61	9.84	21.05	68.56
DJ EURO STOXX Style Lg-Cap Gr R	0.00	0.11	0.56	0.00	2.79
DJ EURO STOXX Style Mid-Cap Val R	0.00	2.26	4.30	0.00	14.33
DJ EURO STOXX Style Mid-Cap Gr R	41.34	18.91	11.98	0.00	41.34
DJ EURO STOXX Style Sm-Cap Val R	13.56	31.11	16.86	5.83	62.01
DJ EURO STOXX Style Sm-Cap Gr R	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

### Cumulative and Excess Performance: Single Calculation



### From 2002-09 to 2007-08

	Cum Excess	Annual Excess	Info Ratio	Track Error
Style Benchmark	-25.69	-2.71	-0.46	5.90
DJ Euro Stoxx 50 TR	31.17	3.67	0.43	8.52

Most Recent 36 months	Style Benchmark	Info Ratio	Track Error
Style Benchmark	-34.98	-7.93	-1.96
DJ Euro Stoxx 50 TR	-11.89	-2.81	-0.52

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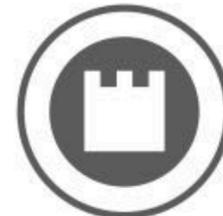




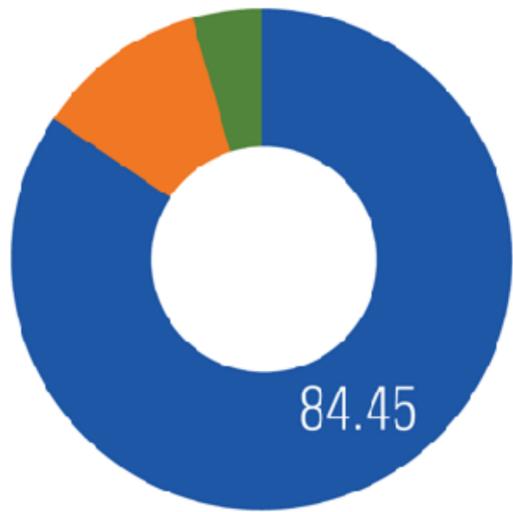
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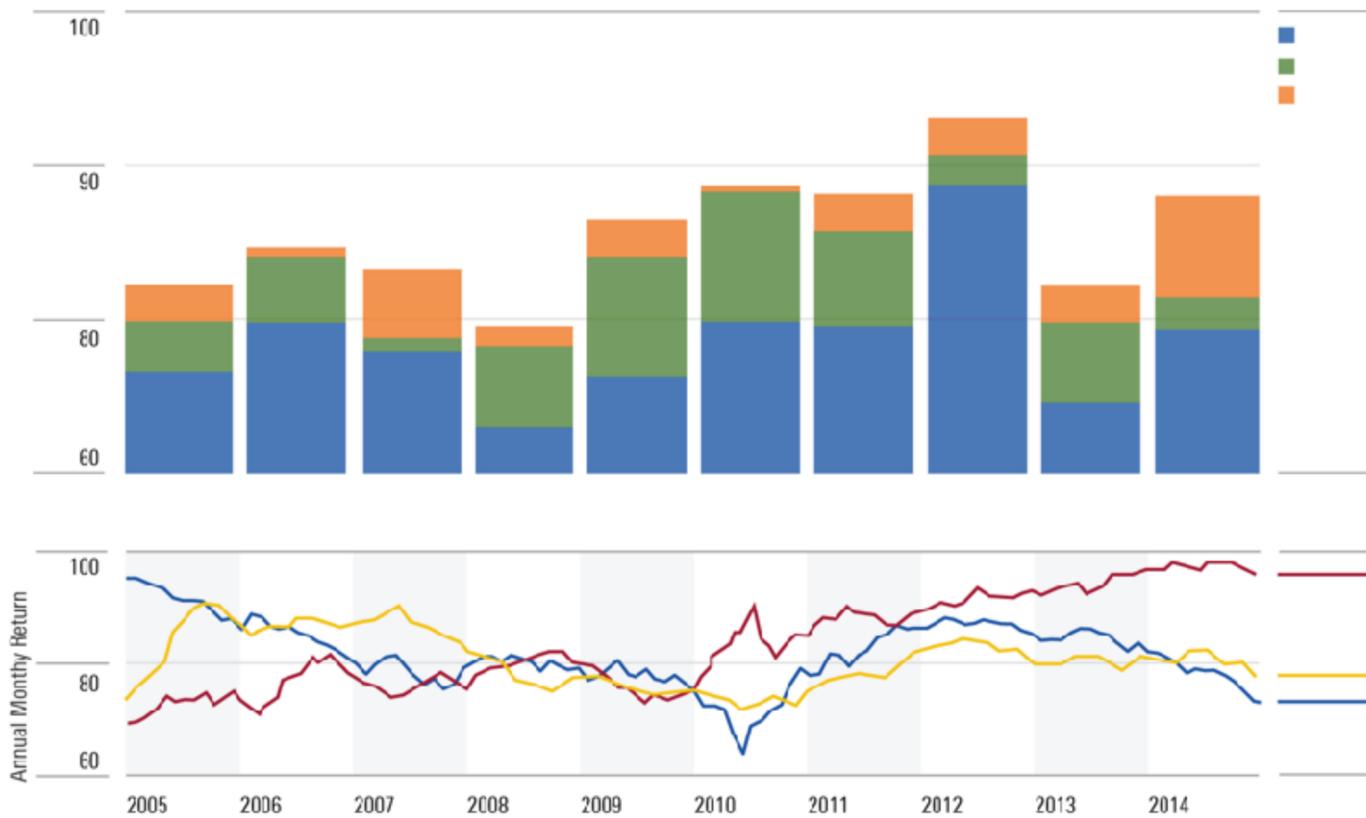
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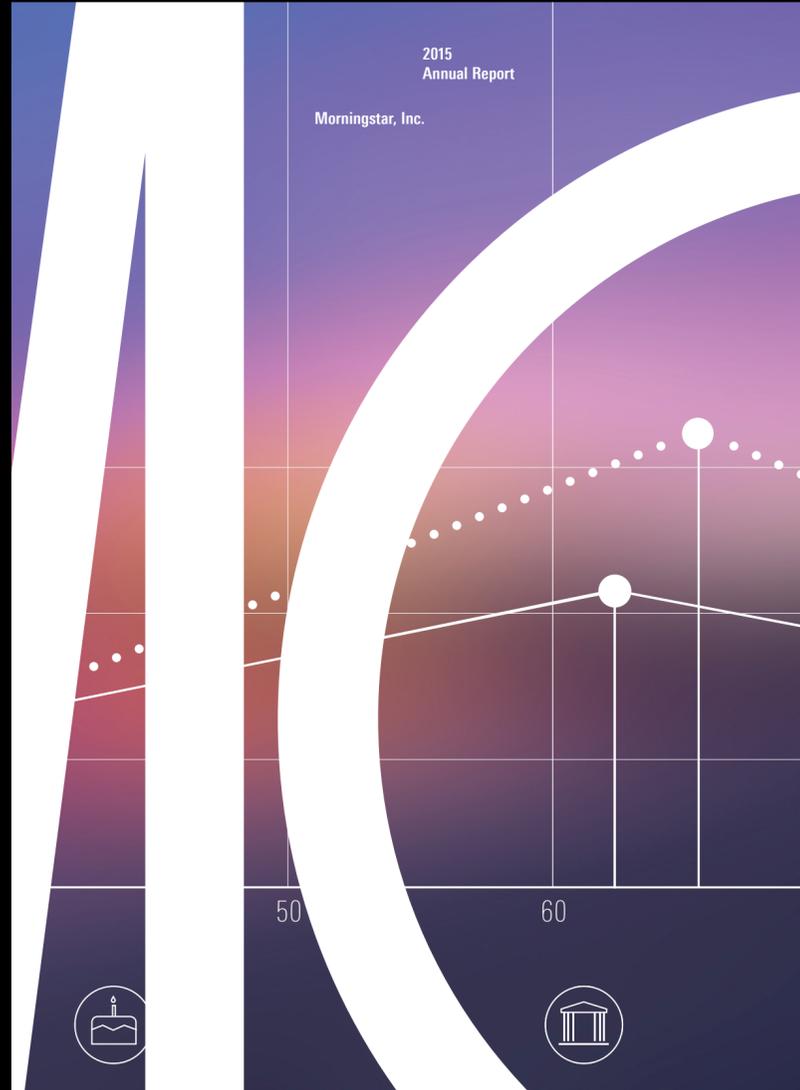


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## Fund News

### Fact Check

Neuberger & Berman filed for an initial public offering. The offering is expected to take place this fall and will leave Neuberger & Berman's principals with an 85% ownership stake.

Paul Baran, one of the managers featured in Jane's "Earning Their Keep," left Wachovia Growth & Income for Fry Mackenzie.

Vanguard Trustees merged into Vanguard Growth and Income.

American International Group agreed to acquire SunAmerica in a stock swap worth \$18 billion.

### A Bigger Heartland

The \$1.8 billion **Heartland Value**, closed since 1995, is reopening to new investors in November. The fund suffered more than \$146 million in net cash outflows between January and July as small-cap strategies have taken a beating—the fund was down 19% for the year-to-date through August. But manager Bill Nasgovitz said he's looking for a rebound. "This is the worst I've seen small-cap stocks," Nasgovitz told Morningstar. "I'm getting ready for a resurgence." The fund has a \$25,000 minimum for most new investments, but IRAs can be opened for a modest \$500.

If shareholders approve, **Heartland Value** will also swallow \$127 million **Heartland Small Cap Contrarian**, effectively burying **Contrarian's** poor record. The latter is down 76% year to date through August. Following the merger, **Value** will have \$1.9 billion in assets. It is already the third largest small-value fund, and Nasgovitz may have to take more positions—he already holds 337 names—or buy bigger stocks if the fund grows much larger. Coincidentally, the fund raised its market cap ceilings from \$500 million to \$750 million just last month.

### That's the Way You Do It

On August 19, **Weitz Hickory** closed without warning, a move we heartily applaud. Hickory's category-topping three- and five-year performances led to massive inflows: Assets exploded from \$20 million to more than \$300 million between January and August. By not notifying investors of its plans ahead of time, Hickory didn't get swamped with even more cash and maintained its reasonably small size.

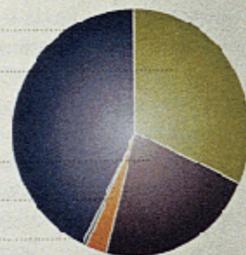
"One reason I wanted to close the fund," said manager Rick Lawson, "is that I tend to concentrate and buy small companies. I can't do that forever if the assets keep growing." Current investors will still be able to purchase shares for their accounts, as will 401(k) participants and advisors with more than \$1 million invested in the fund.

### Sold!

Jean-Marie Eveillard has a new boss. Liberty Financial will buy the **SoGen** funds, which include **SoGen International**, **SoGen Overseas**, and **SoGen Gold**, from French bank Societe Generale for \$216 million. Shareholders don't have to worry about Eveillard taking off anytime soon, though. He and comanagers Elizabeth Tobin and Charles de Vault have each signed five-year contracts. Tobin also says expense ratios on the funds will remain the same for now, but that the funds' names will change.

Two important questions remain unanswered. For starters, it's unclear how large Liberty will allow the funds to grow. Eveillard has voiced concern about rapid asset growth and has closed **SoGen International** in the past. But Liberty indicated it would like to bulk up the funds' assets by selling them through its broker network. Also up in the air is whether or not Liberty will hike the funds' 3.75% loads to bring them in line with the 4.75% to 5.75% commissions its other funds charge.

Fund Family	Mutual Fund Assets (\$Billions)
Colonial	93
Stein Roe	69
SoGen	47
Newport	09
Erathin Russan	06



### Shaking the Tree

At **Sequoia's** annual shareholder meeting, comanager Richard Cumiff said he planned to "float off to the perhaps dignified but amorphous role of vice chairman," a statement that might lead one to assume his retirement is imminent. But a **Sequoia** spokesperson insists Cumiff will continue to work on the fund. Meanwhile, partner Bill Ruane said he plans to continue "thinking about stocks" in his new role as chairman of the fund.

### Late-Breaking News

**Oakmark Small Cap** reopened to new investors on September 1. The fund closed in June 1997 at \$750 million. **Oakmark** would not specify what the fund's current asset level is.

In our eyes, that leaves longtime associate Robert Goldfarb, who was named **Sequoia's** new president, as lead portfolio manager. The changing of the guard shouldn't have much of an impact on the fund, though: Goldfarb has been working on the **Sequoia** team for 26 years.

### Taxing Matters

**Clipper** shareholders received a bit of a surprise in the mail: a midyear capital gains distribution of more than \$10 a share.

**Oakmark Fund** and **Oakmark Small Cap** also paid out modest distributions in early August. Receiving the payout now should give shareholders a jump start on their taxes. If need be, they can offset the gain with losses elsewhere in their portfolios.

But we're sad to see current investors weren't the only people on **Clipper's** and **Oakmark's** mind when they made these distributions. In a letter to shareholders, for example, **Clipper** explained that the substantial pay out also benefits "future **Clipper** Fund shareholders who otherwise would be purchasing a significant tax liability."

### New Opportunities

Investors will soon have greater access to BEA's international and growth expertise. As a result of its joint venture with Warburg Pincus, 11 existing BEA funds

### Fund Screen: Funds with the Most Russian Exposure

Fund	% of Assets in Russia	Year-to-Date Return %
Lexington Troika Dialog Russia	79.7	-60.6
Lindner International Investor	14.8	-28.7
Vontobel Eastern European Equity	14.0	-40.3
Raqent Eastern European	10.2	-28.8
AIM Developing Markets A	7.5	-30.4
Morgan Stanley Institutional Emerging Markets A	7.3	-28.4
Van Kampen Emerging Markets A	7.1	-29.1
Hansberger Institutional Emerging Markets	6.9	-29.1
GMO Emerging Markets III	6.6	-25.3
GMO Evolving Countries III	6.4	-28.5

Note: % of assets in Russia from most recent portfolios. History data through August 31, 1998. Only open-end funds listed.

Russian securities haven't been too kind to investors this year. No wonder: The country has devalued its currency and defaulted on its debt.

### New Fund Roundup

Fund	Bar Rosenberg Select Sector Market Neutral
Managers	Bar Rosenberg, Marlis Fritz, and Kenneth Reid
Comment	Managers will buy undervalued stocks screened from the 500 largest U.S. companies and will short sell stocks they find are overvalued. Managers may also overweight or underweight sectors.
Funds	Nicholas-Applegate Global Technology, Nicholas-Applegate Large Cap Value
Managers	Management Teams
Comment	Global Technology invests at least 85% of its assets in technology-related companies in at least three countries including the U.S.; Large Cap Value looks for stocks with attractive valuations, below-average risk, and improving business prospects.
Fund	Scudder Corporate Bond
Managers	Stephen Wahler, Kelly Gibson, and Robert Cassino
Comment	Managers will invest in investment-grade and, to a lesser extent, high-yield corporate bonds.
Fund	UAM DSI Small Cap Value
Managers	Ronald McCullough, Robert Stephenson, and Scott Pitt
Comment	Fund looks for undervalued Russell 2000-sized firms undergoing positive change, such as offering a new product or hiring new management.

will be rebranded under the Warburg Pincus moniker, subject to shareholder approval. Of those funds, only four have been available to the public in the retail format before. Among the funds switching to the Warburg Pincus brand are BEA Institutional International Equity and BEA Institutional High-Yield, both of which land in the top quintile of their categories for the trailing 12-month period.

While Warburg Pincus already has an international equity offering, "The new fund will be distinct," says Warburg Pincus spokeswoman Leslie Mayock. "The top-down, macroeconomic focus of the BEA funds is substantially different from Warburg Pincus' fundamental investment approach." Warburg Pincus also plans to introduce two new European funds that Credit Suisse will manage. ■

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## Portfolio X-Ray

### Asset Allocation

U.S. Stocks	51.42	% Net
Non-U.S. Stocks	38.65	
Bond	17.15	
Cash	2.41	
Other	2.00	
Not classified	0.44	



### Stock Regions

Americas	50.27	% Weight
North America	33.43	
Latin America	7.81	



### Stock Sectors

Cyclical	43.32%	31.12%
Consumer Cyclical	32.87	10.66
Financial Services	4.94	15.23
Basic Materials	4.01	3.39
Real Estate	1.50	1.85

### Stock Style

Large Growth	23.48%
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% Weight

17	21	23	Large
6	8	13	Med
2	5	5	Small
Value	Core	Growth	

### Fixed Income Style

Medium Extensive	41.85%
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% Weight

17	21	23	High
6	8	13	Med
2	5	5	Low
Ltd	Mod	Ext	

### Stock Stats

Price/Prospective Earnings	12.40	11.02
Price/Book Ratio	1.23	0.83
Price/Sales Ratio	1.45	1.05
Price/Cash Flow Ratio	7.89	6.71
Return on Equity (ROE)	20.47	18.63
Return on Assets (ROA)	11.93	13.72

### Fees & Expenses

Potential Cap Gains Exposure	1.14%
Avg Net Expense Ratio	\$18,728.81
Avg Gross Expense Ratio	\$10.00

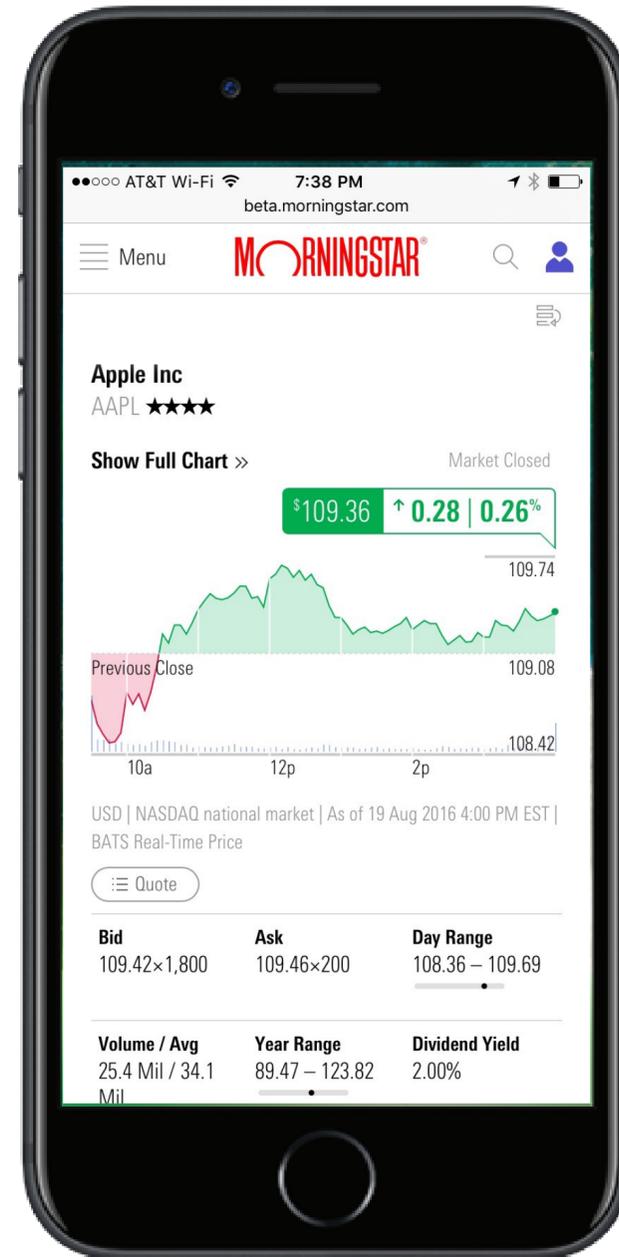
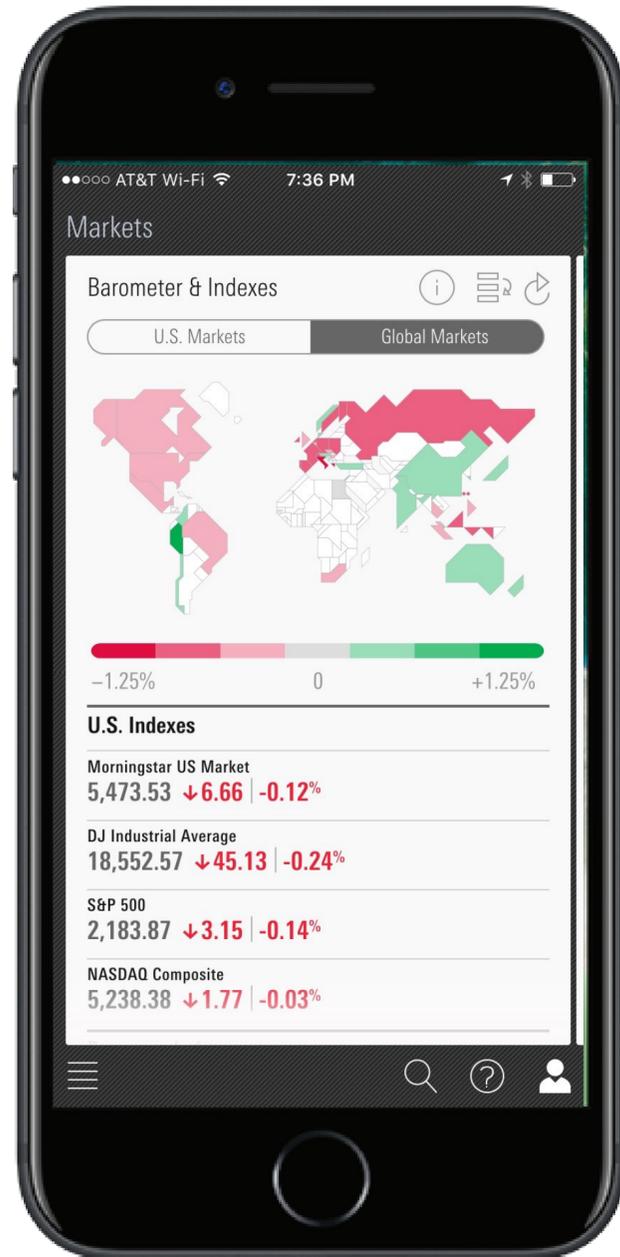
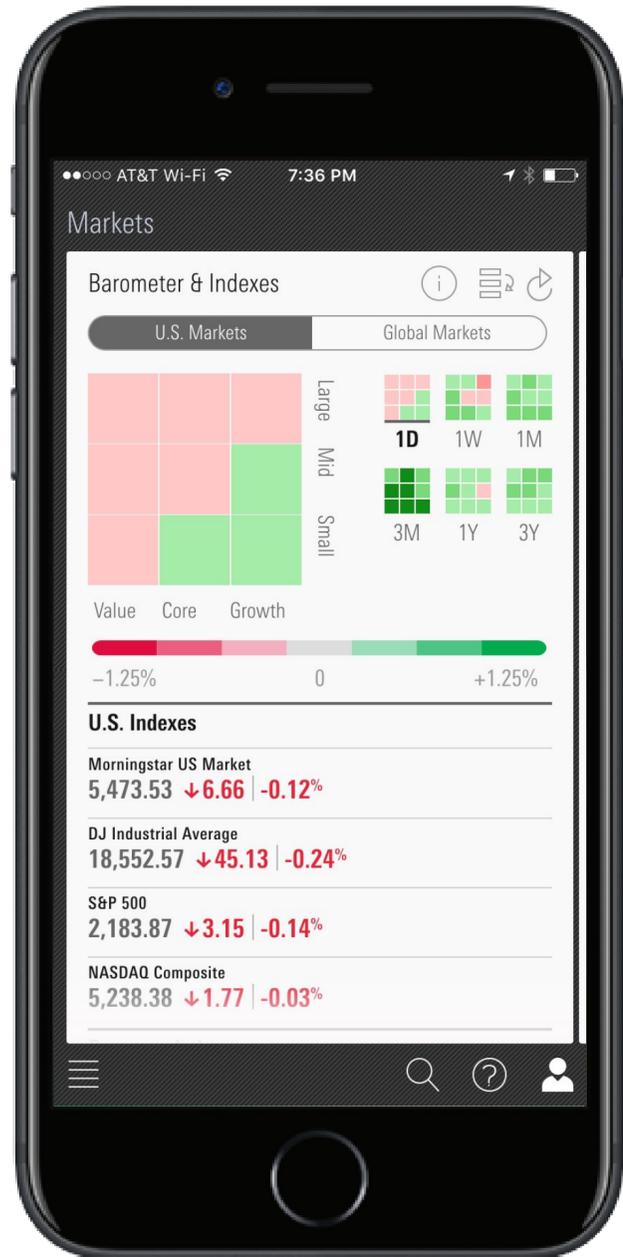
### Sensitive

22.55%	42.39%	
Technology	7.61	16.94
Industrials	5.68	11.35
Energy	2.50	10.12
Communication Services	0.99	3.97

### Defensive

39.91%	26.49%	
Consumer Defensive	37.00	10.21
Healthcare	2.42	13.22
Utilities	0.49	3.07

Not Classified: 0.00%









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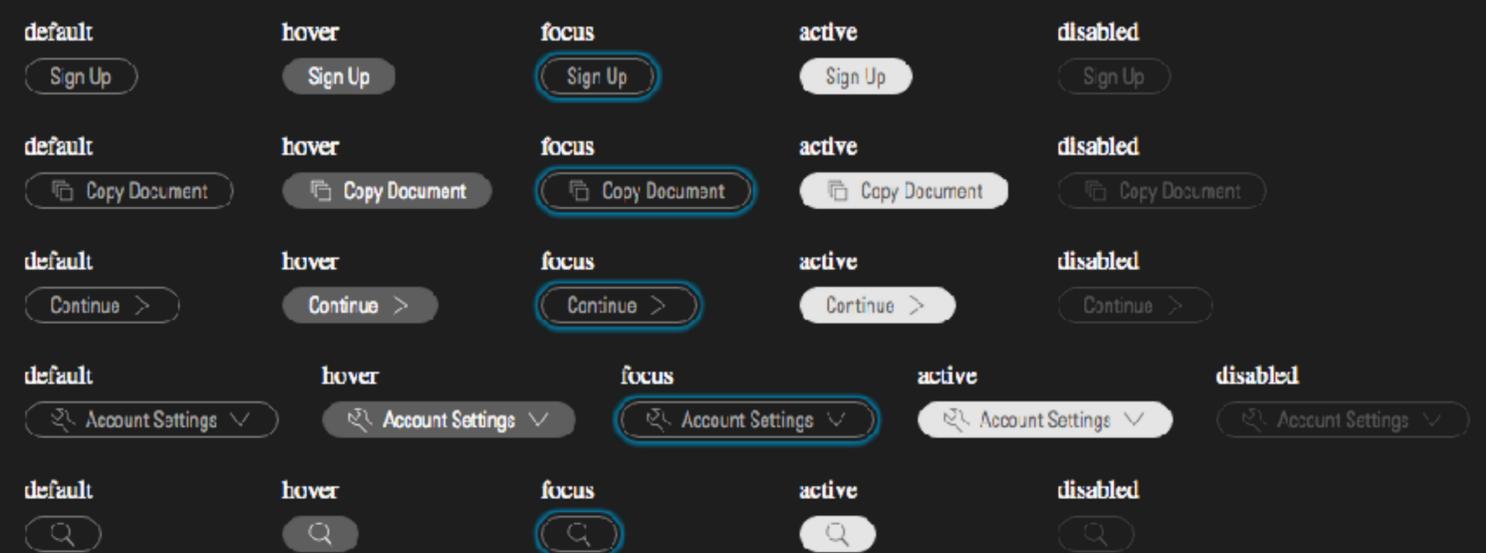
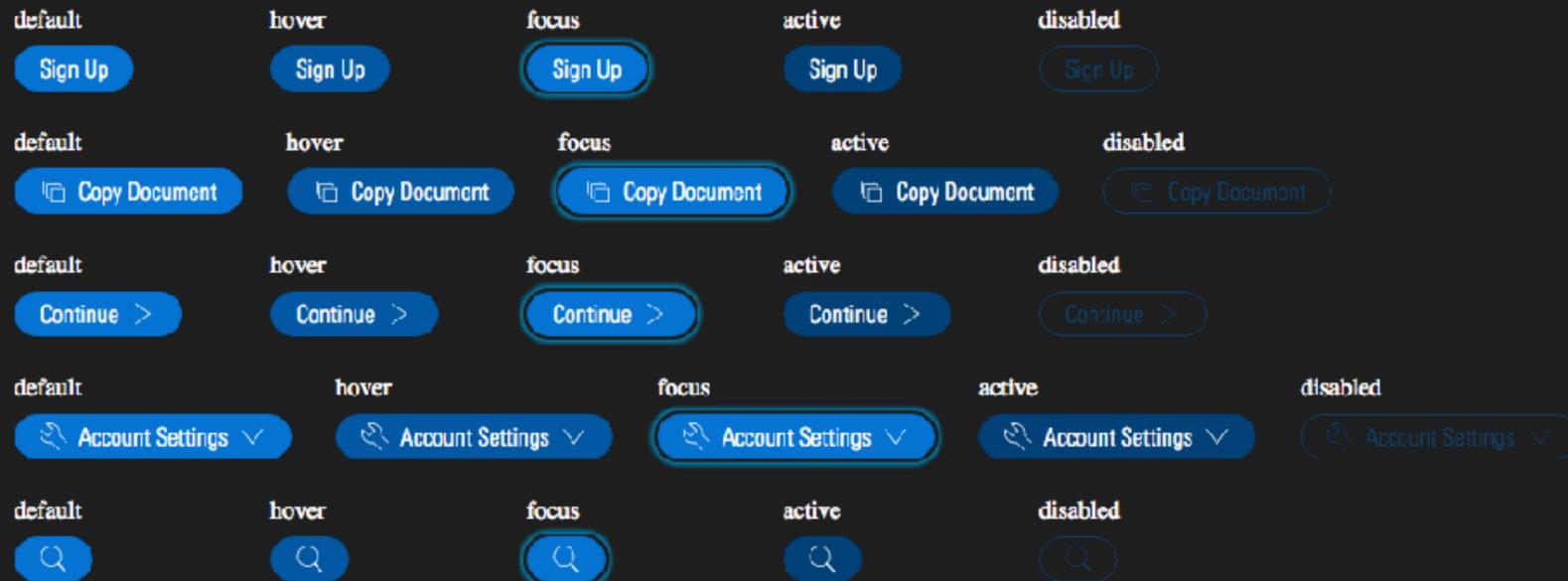


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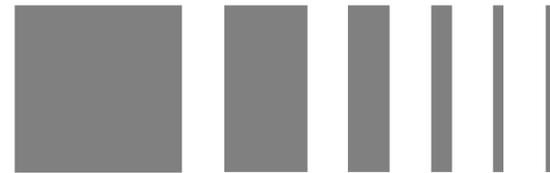
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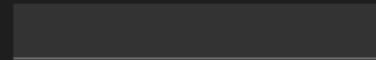


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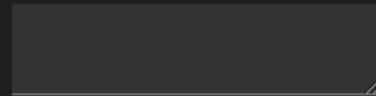
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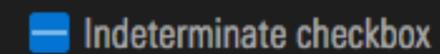
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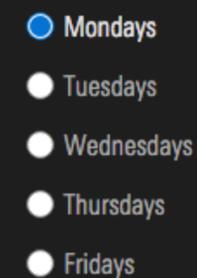
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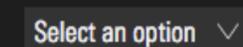
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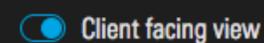
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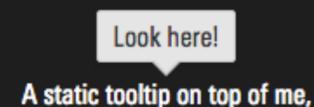
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## City

## State

## ZIP

<input type="text"/>	CA	<input type="text"/>
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Same as billing address

## Street

## City

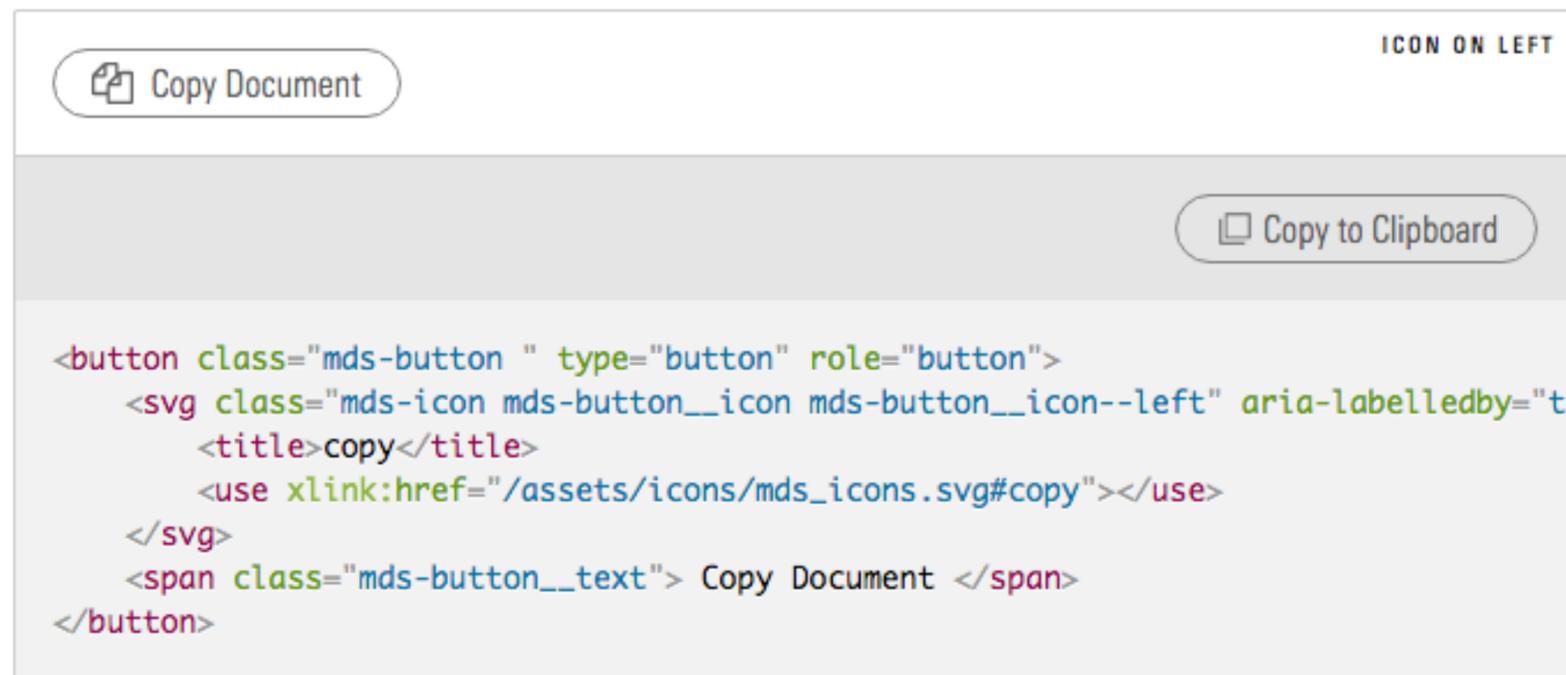
## State

## ZIP

<input type="text"/>	CA	<input type="text"/>
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Special Instructions for your order which you can provide right here this label is long to test wrapping behavior (Optional)

# Code Documentation



The screenshot shows a button component with the text "Copy Document" and a copy icon. The icon is positioned on the left side of the button. The button is styled with a light gray background and rounded corners. The HTML code for the button is as follows:

```
<button class="mds-button " type="button" role="button">
  <svg class="mds-icon mds-button__icon mds-button__icon--left" aria-labelledby="ti
    <title>copy</title>
    <use xlink:href="/assets/icons/mds_icons.svg#copy"></use>
  </svg>
  <span class="mds-button__text"> Copy Document </span>
</button>
```

## CSS Class References

Class	Applies to	Outcome
<code>.mds-button</code>	<code>&lt;button&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;a&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;input type="submit"/&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;input type="button"/&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;input type="checkbox"/&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;input type="checkbox"/&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;input type="radio"/&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;div&gt;</code> , or <code>&lt;span&gt;</code>	Applies base button styles to an element. Always couple with a variant for semantics, though a stand-alone <code>.mds-button</code> will apply the same visual treatments as <code>.mds-button</code> paired with <code>.mds-button--secondary</code> .
<code>.mds-button--primary</code>	<code>.mds-button</code>	Shows primary-styled button, to be coupled with <code>.mds-button</code> .
<code>.mds-button--secondary</code>	<code>.mds-button</code>	Shows default-styled button, to be coupled with <code>.mds-button</code> .
<code>.mds-button--small</code>	<code>.mds-button</code>	Tightens padding to render a smaller button.

## Accessibility

- Use a `<button>` element type when displaying buttons.
- Include a `role="button"` attribute, although `<button>` and `<input type="button"/>` elements do not require this attribute. This declaration can make any HTML element appear as a button to a screen reader.
  - A `<div role="button">` or `<span role="button">` without a `tabindex` attribute will not receive a tabbed focus state.
  - A `<div role="button">` or `<span role="button">` cannot be triggered from a keyboard without javascript.
- An `<a>` element cannot be triggered from a [spacebar] press, only from an [enter]/[return] press
- It is expected that a button can be triggered from a [spacebar] or an [enter]/[return] press
- Always include an `aria-label` attribute on an icon button or a button with nested text that does not explicitly describe the button's intent.
  - `<button aria-label="Close" onclick="myDialog.close()">X</button>`

# Design Documentation

## Buttons

Use buttons to represent interactions throughout the experience.

### Primary

	DEFAULT
	HOVER
	ACTIVE
	FOCUS
<pre>&lt;button class="mds-button mds-button--primary" type="button" role="button"&gt; Button Text &lt;/button&gt;</pre>	

	DISABLED
<pre>&lt;button class="mds-button mds-button--primary" type="button" disabled role="button"&gt; Button Text &lt;/button&gt;</pre>	

- Use a primary button only for highest-priority actions that are required to complete the user's task.
- Use a primary button only once per page, though an additional primary button can appear within modals, popovers, or alerts when needed to signal critical actions.

### Use When

- Affording interaction to key behaviors and features.
- Confirming or submitting information entered into a form.
- Cancelling an action.
- Resetting a form or dataset.
- Closing a container or section.
- Opening a popover menu.
- Moving forward or backward through a wizard-type workflow.
- Creating an object within a group.
- Applying a non-critical action to a dataset.

### Don't Use When

- Displaying a collection of links to sections. Use link instead.
- Linking to an external site. Use link instead.

### Visual Style

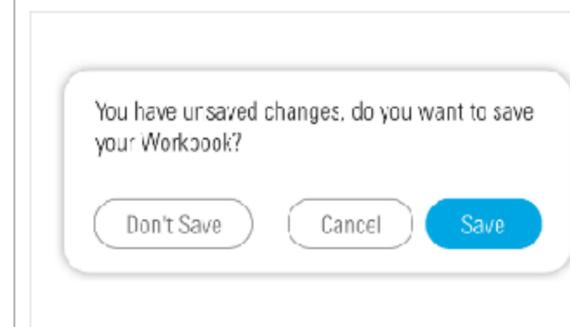
- Use an icon-only button when space is limited and the icon's meaning is unambiguous.
- Pair a tooltip with an icon-only button to reveal a label of the action.
- Use only one primary button per page. The exception is when a modal header contains a primary button and the modal content also includes a required action from the user.



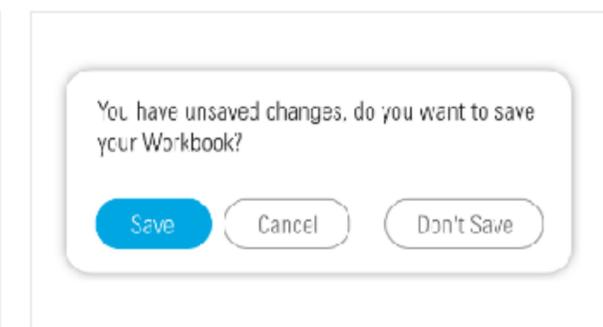
Do use the same button size for adjacent buttons.



Don't display normal and small buttons together in the same row.



Do place primary buttons to the right within a group of buttons.



Don't place primary buttons to the left within a group of buttons.

How we built our design system

# Building a Morningstar Design System, Over Time



**Previous Systems**

**Strategy**

**v1.0.0 Release**

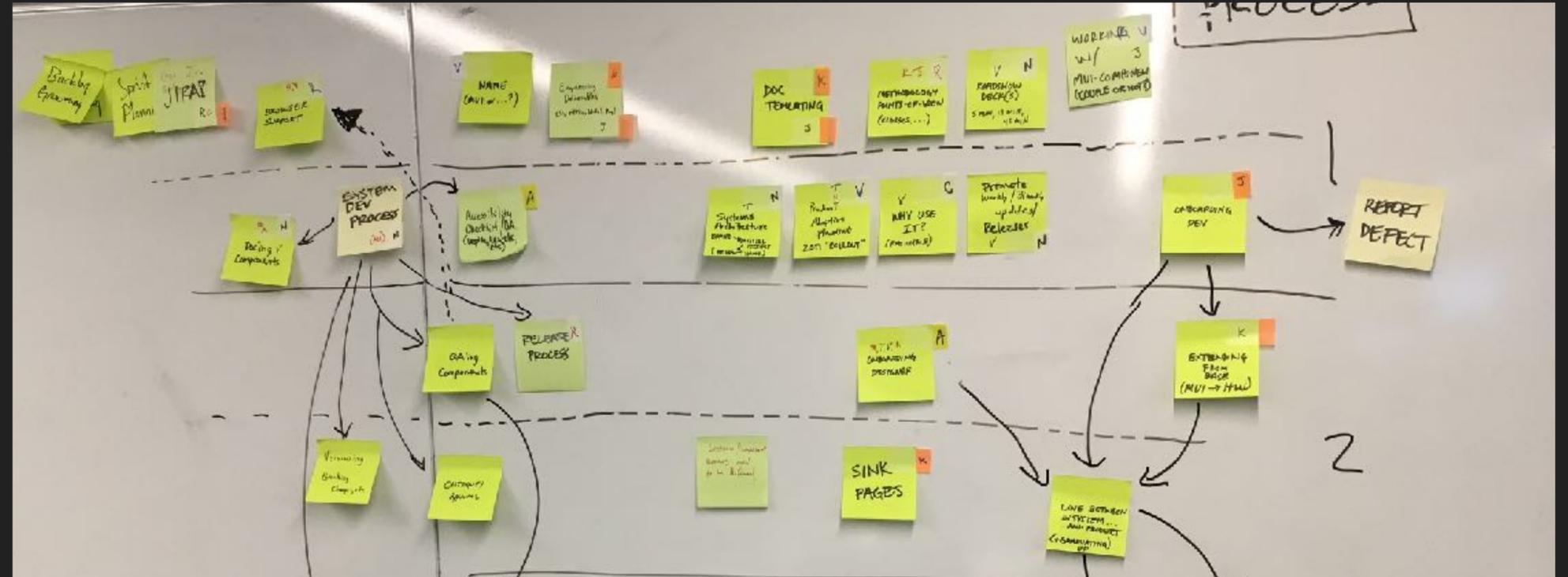
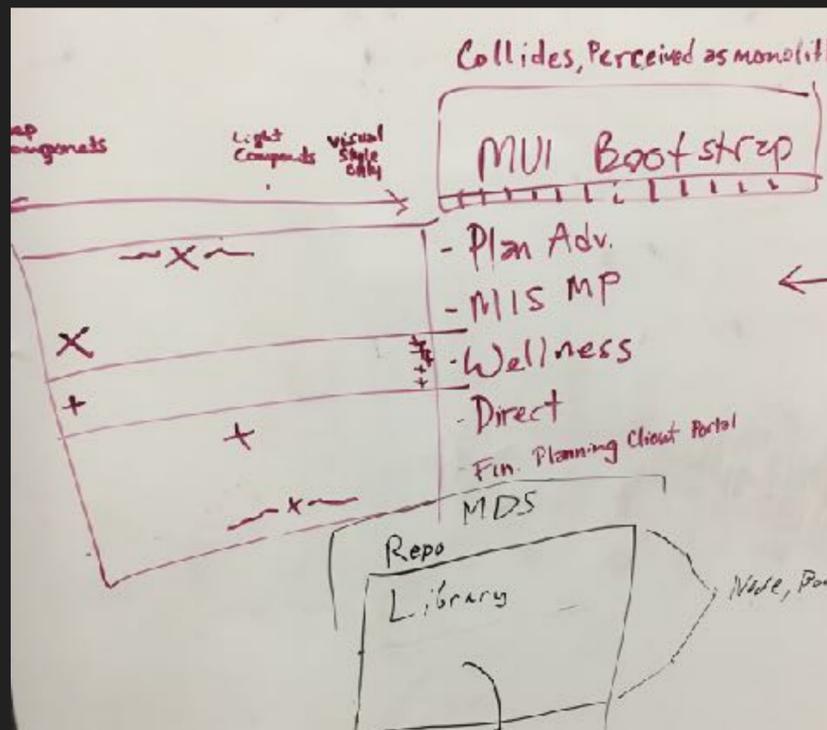
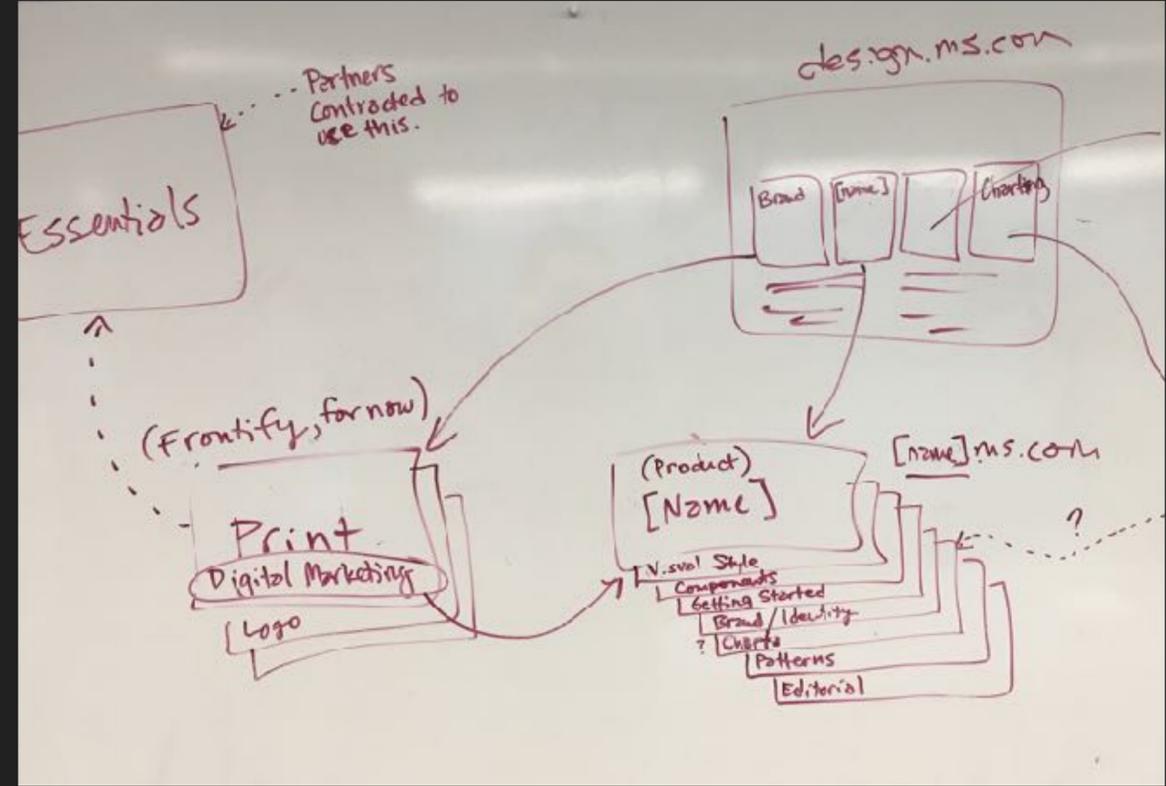
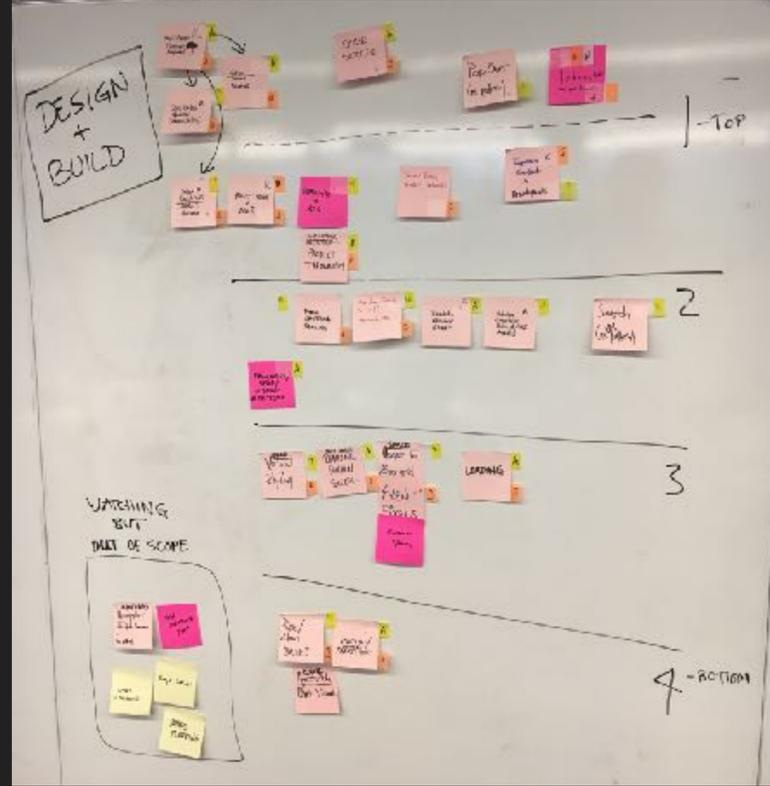
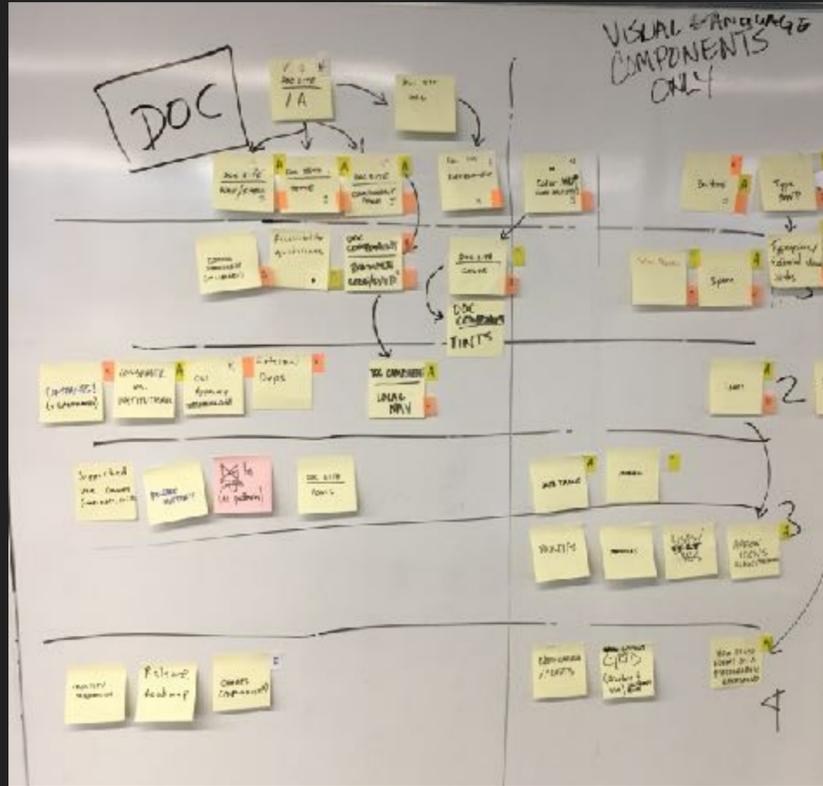
**1.1.0 & Beyond**

2016

2017

2018

# Workshops, Interviews & Planning



# Morningstar Design System Objectives

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1. Strengthen visual style and UI component to cover more products more flexibly.
2. Document a system – using the system – at a URL accessible & valuable to everyone.
3. Thread system into products incrementally.
4. Amplify sharing across products with a system team as connectors & scribes.

[designsystem.morningstar.com](http://designsystem.morningstar.com)

localhost:3000

★ Bookmarks Hello Code Design Scrum Hangouts Slack + Pocket

# MORNINGSTAR Design System

Home >

- ▶ Visual Language
- ▶ Components
- ▶ Resources
- ▶ About The System

Release History

**Building financial software users love with a design philosophy delivered in code.**

The Morningstar Design System allows designers, developers and stakeholders to speak the same language in order to quickly meet customer needs while raising the game of financial storytelling.

**Let's Talk**

SLACK #MDS-design and #MDS-engineering

EMAIL designsystem@morningstar.com

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## v0.2.0

The Morningstar Design System Team is excited to announce 0.x releases! You'll find our most important components – Buttons, Forms, Data Tables, and more – built with an enhanced Morningstar visual language, all within an alpha preview of our documentation site at <http://designsystem.morningstar.com/>.

While MDS has begun 0.x releases, current releases are not yet stable. As we progress through 2017Q2, MDS anticipates a 1.0 release mid-year for use in production settings. Nevertheless, the team encourages feedback from the design and engineering communities to tailor assets for integration into specific products.

## About MDS

The Morningstar Design System is a collection of brand, visual, UX, and technical standards built into an HTML & CSS framework so that products can quickly build accessible, high-quality, consistent experiences.

MDS is supported by a system team to build features and collaborate with the Morningstar design and engineering communities.

# Strengthen visual style and UI component: V1 Release

## Visual Language Sections

6

- Color
- Typography
- Iconography
- Space
- Layering
- Constants

## UI Components

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- Buttons
- Button Groups
- Combo Boxes
- Data Tables
- Dialogs
- Forms
- Links
- List Groups
- Loaders
- Menus
- Modals
- Notifications
- Pagination
- Popovers
- Range Sliders
- Search Fields
- Switches
- Tooltips

## UX Patterns

1

- Errors

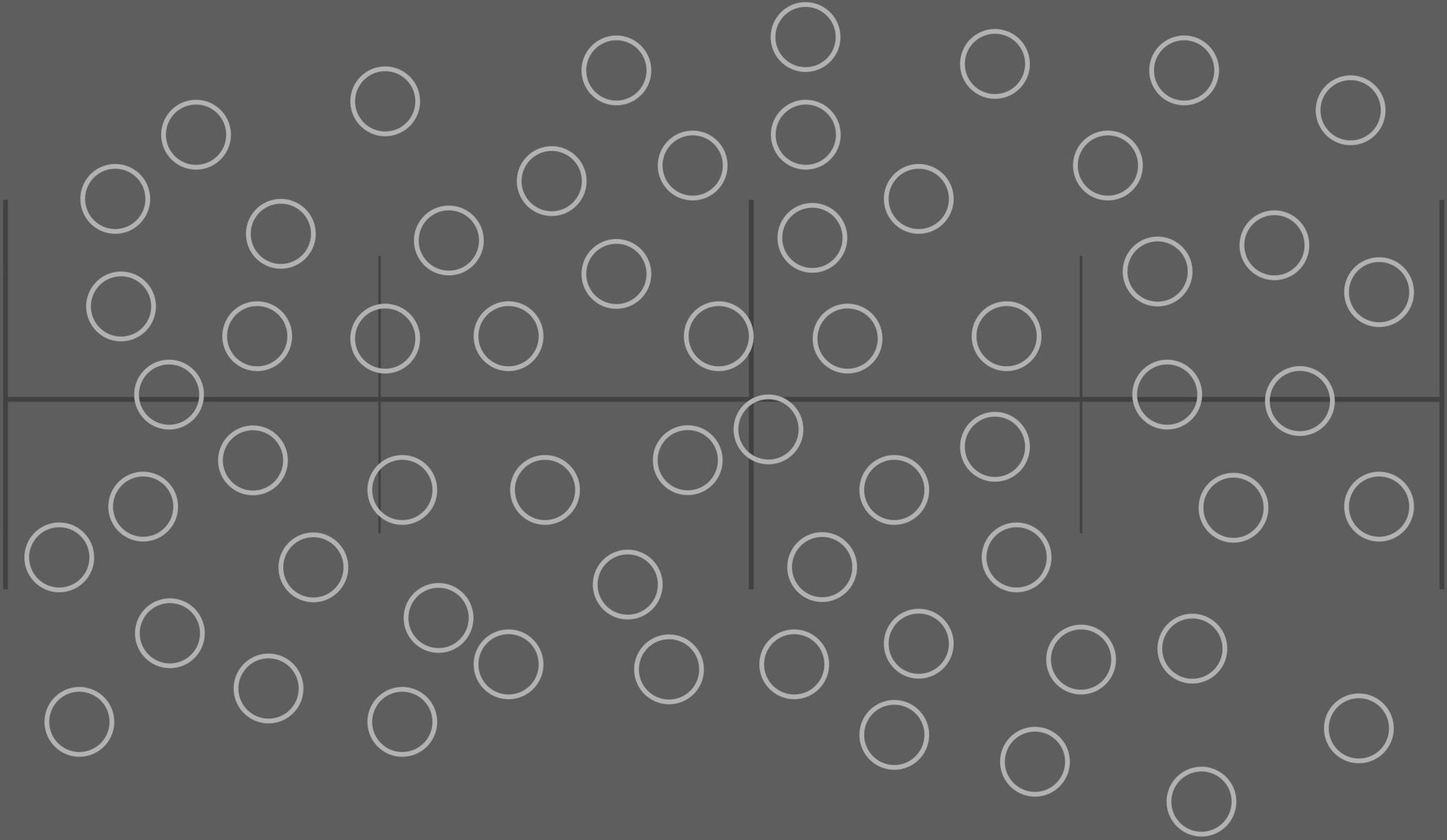
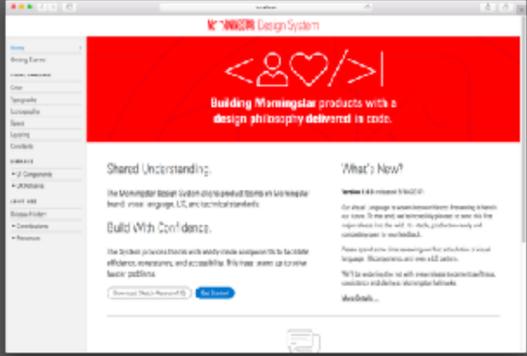
## System Doc Pages

13

- Getting Started
- About MDS
- Contributions
- Development Process
- Publishing Documentation
- Coding Standards
- Accessibility
- Browser Support
- Report a Bug
- Request a New Part
- Segments
- Theming

# 60+ Adopting Product Squads

MDS



How to Adopt? "You choose..."



**Big Bang**

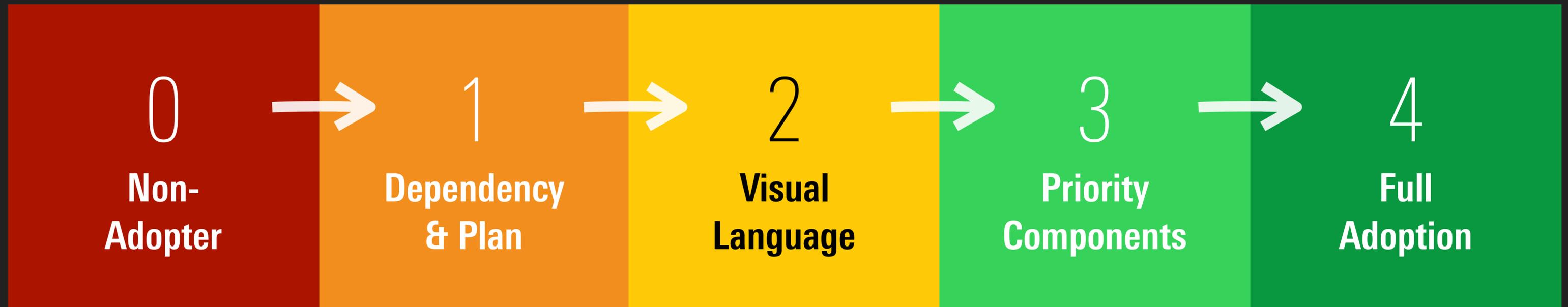
(All at once)



**Incremental**

(One story at a time)

# Step-by-Step Adoption Model



- ✗ Branding / visual identity is out of date
- ✗ Product is obviously not complying with system
- ✗ Interface is dated and inconsistent with latest conventions

- ✓ Codebase has system npm dependency
- ✓ Team has compiled, tuned, & organized systems assets for integration & extension
- ✓ Team can demonstrate adoption commitment via roadmap & backlog

- ✓ Color
- ✓ Typography
- ✓ Icons
- ✓ Replaced variables and rules via constants

**A N D**

No more than 9 months behind latest release

- ✓ Buttons
- ✓ Forms: Checkboxes, Radios, Text, Select
- ✓ Switches
- ✓ Headings, Article Text
- ✓ Data Tables (Basic)
- ✓ List Groups

**A N D**

No more than 6 months behind latest release

- ✓ Data Tables
- ✓ Modals
- ✓ Dialogs
- ✓ Pills
- ✓ Adopted every relevant component offered

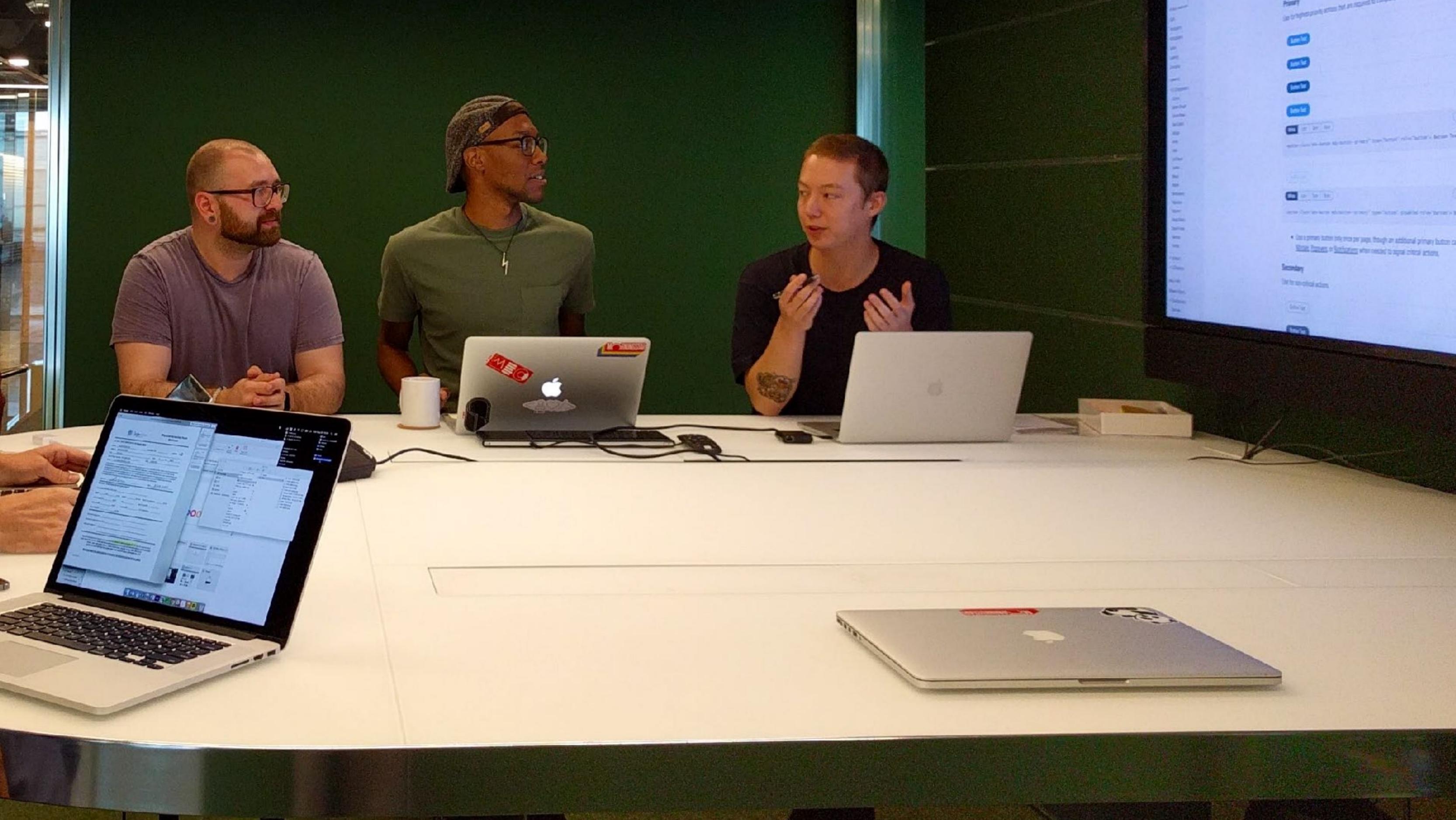
**A N D**

No more than **3 months** behind latest release

# Monitor Adoption Commitment & Timing, by Product

1	Product/Squad	By end of 2017Q3	By end of 2017Q4	By end of 2018Q2	Product Manager	Product Owner	Design Lead	Tech Lead / POC	Group
17		1	1	2					
18		1	1	2					
19		0	0	0					
20		0	0	0					
21		Unknown	Unknown	Unknown					
22		Never	Never	Never					
23		4	4	4					
24		Unknown	Unknown	Unknown					
25		1	2	4					
26		1	2	4					
27		Unknown	Unknown	Unknown					
28		Unknown	Unknown	Unknown					
29		0	1	1					
30		Unknown	Unknown	Unknown					
31		1	2	3					
32		4	4	4					
33		0	1	3					
34		0	3	4					
35		1	2	4					
36		0	1	4					
37		Unknown	Unknown	Unknown					
38		Never	Never	Never					
39		Never	Never	Never					
40		4	4	4					
41		4	4	4					
		4	4	4					
		3	4	4					
		Never	Never	Never					
45		2 - 4?	4?	4?					
46		12	22	22					

60+ rows!



Man with beard and glasses, wearing a purple t-shirt, sitting at the table with hands clasped.

Man wearing a cap and glasses, wearing a green t-shirt, standing and looking towards the right.

Man in a dark t-shirt, sitting at the table with hands raised as if speaking.

Laptop screen displaying a complex web interface with multiple panels and text.

Laptop with a red 'MEG' sticker on the lid.

Laptop with a red 'MEG' sticker on the lid.

Closed laptop with a red 'MEG' sticker on the lid.

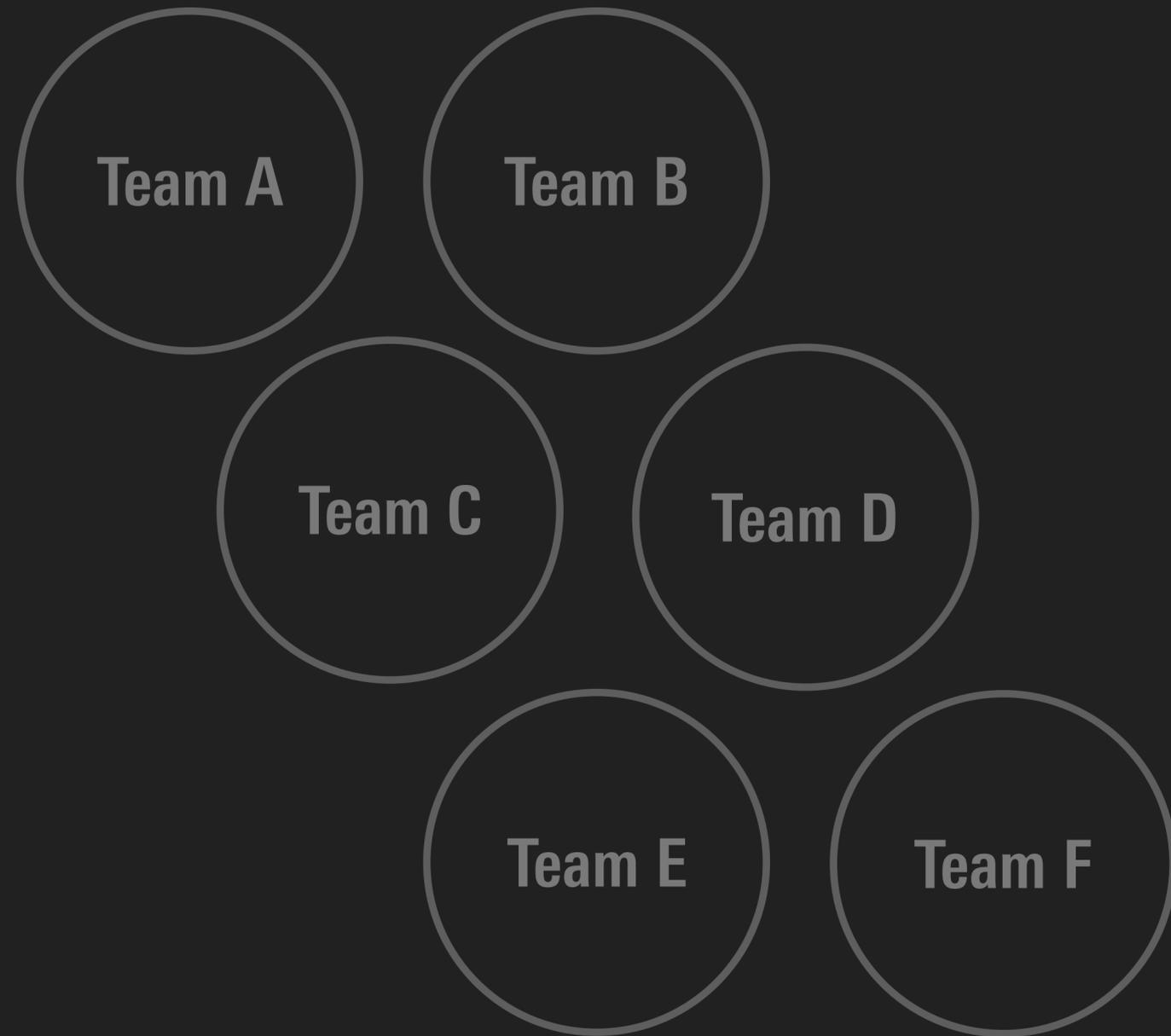
Large screen displaying a web interface with a list of items and buttons.

What is included?

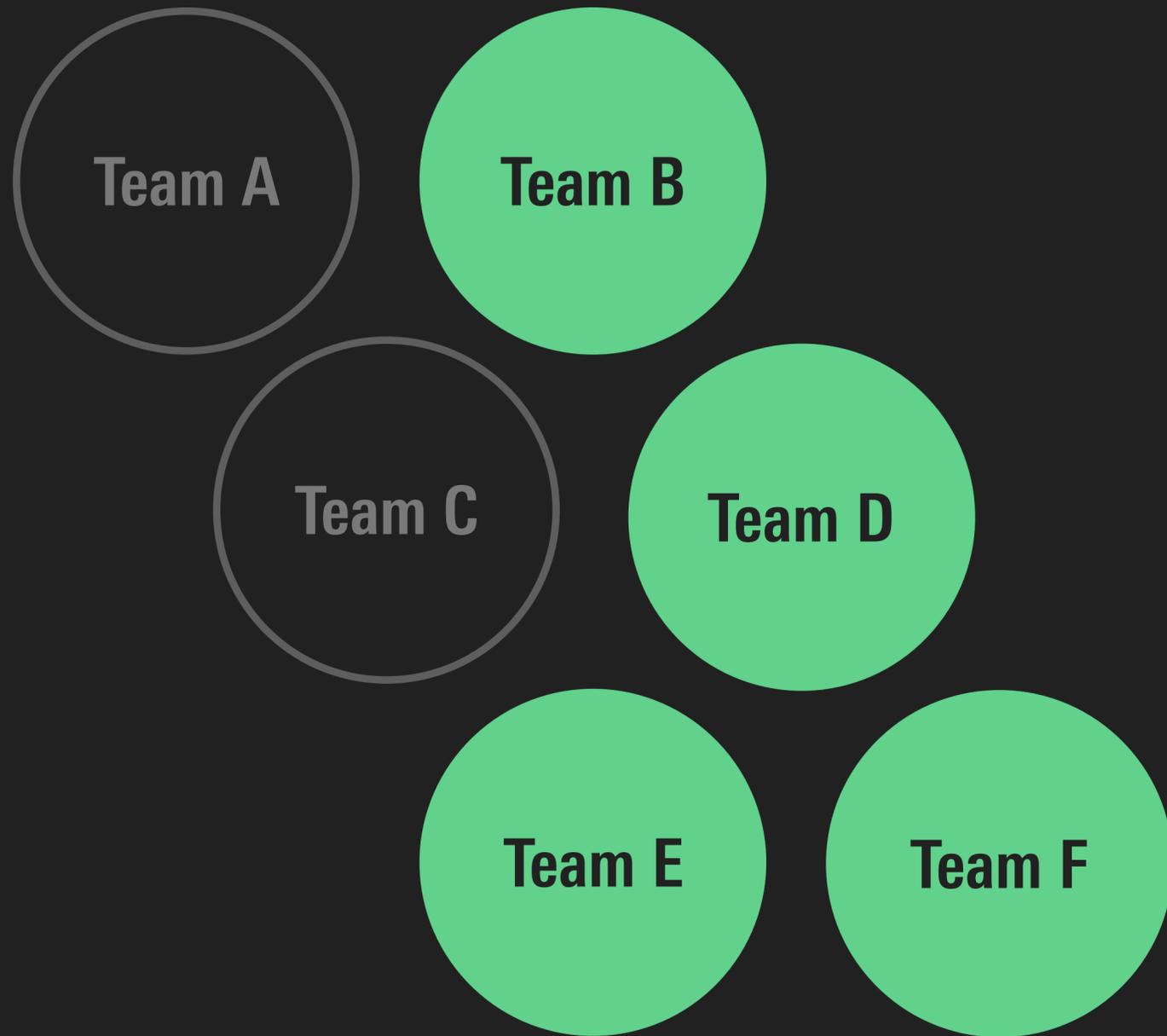
**“Include what’s shared, omit what’s not.”**

# Adding new components to the MDS library

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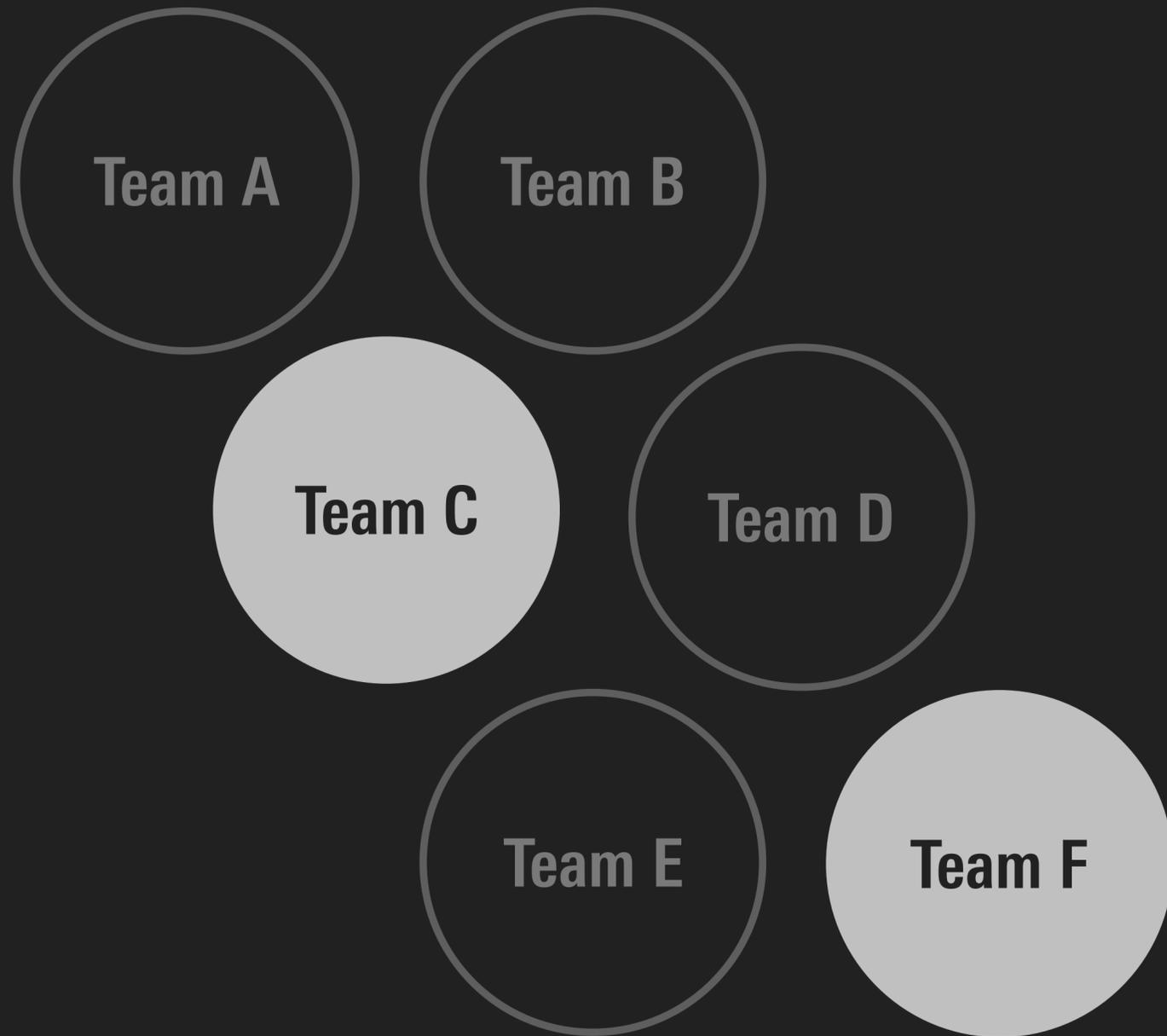


# Adding new components to the MDS library



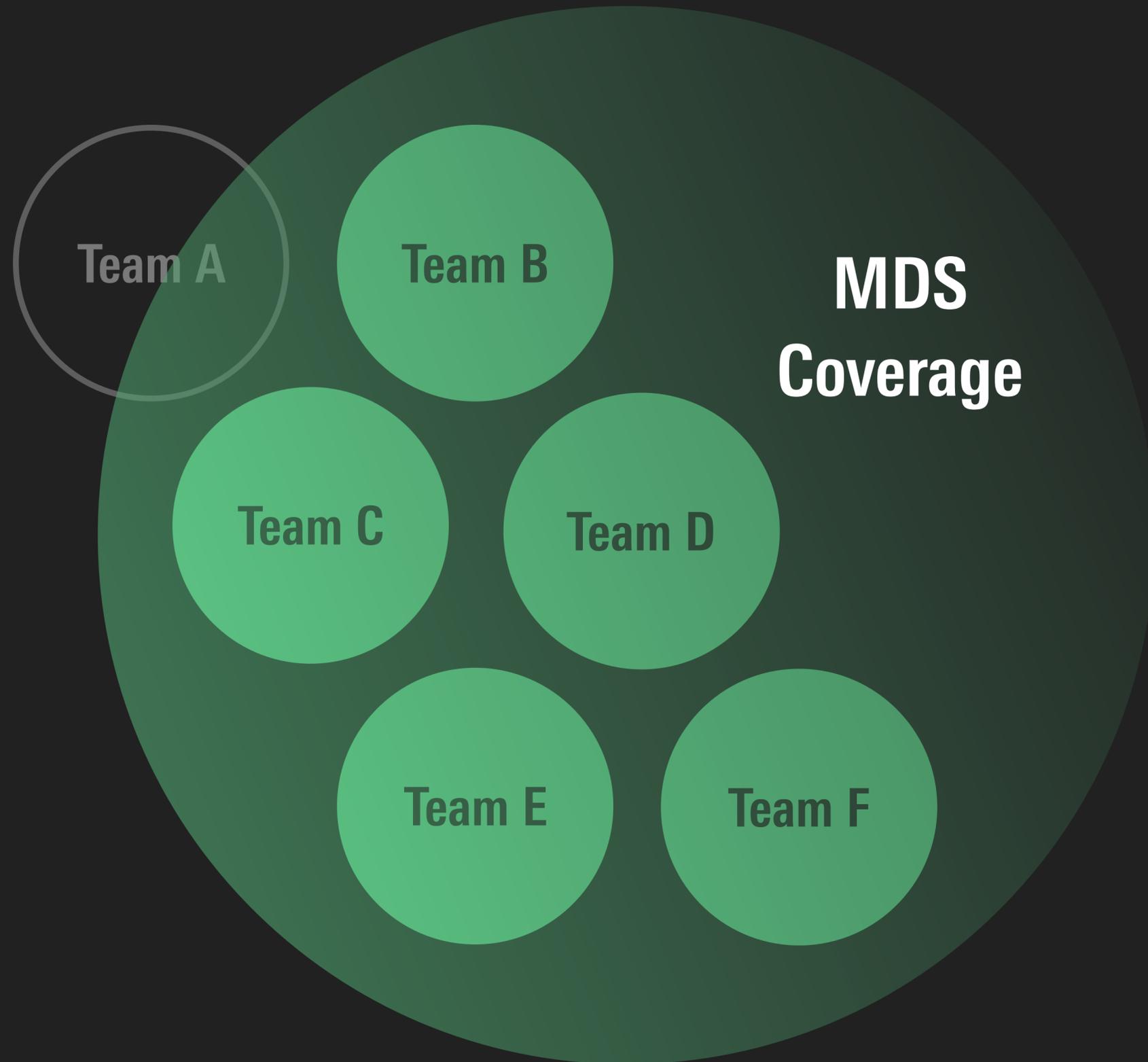
Consider adding a new component

# Adding new components to the MDS library



Don't add, but reconsider if more need emerges

# Adding new components to the MDS library



MDS provides the highest shared value

How do we ensure quality in components?

**Process!**

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```
<link href="/css/vendor.css" rel="stylesheet">
<link href="/css/app.min.css" rel="stylesheet">
<link href="/css/print.min.css" media="print" rel="stylesheet">
```



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Ratings / Surveillance

Operational Risk Assessments

Research

Products & Services

Regulatory Affairs

```
<link href="/MCR/Content/css/mstarcr/mstarcr.css?v=06152016" rel="stylesheet">
<link href="/MCR/Content/css/mstarcr/mstar_override.css?v=06152016" rel="stylesheet">
```

Menu

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```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="/etc/designs/morningstar/v2/msiip/global-1.0.0.m">
```

# Welcome back, Morningstar.

It's a good idea to review your retirement plan a few times a year, so it's great that you've come back to our site today. Be sure to tell us about any major changes that have happened in your financial life since we last checked in. That way we can offer you the most appropriate advice for the future. Together, we'll bring your retirement goal into greater focus.

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Let's Get Started

```
<link href="/css/vendor.css" rel="stylesheet">
<link href="/css/app.min.css" rel="stylesheet">
<link href="/css/print.min.css" media="print" rel="stylesheet">
```

So, that process?

# 5 Phase Process



**BY**  
**Any Team Member**

**BY**  
**Designer**

**BY**  
**Any Team Member**  
**(Usually an Engineer)**

**BY**  
**Designer, Engineer,**  
**Content Strategist**

**BY**  
**Any Team Member**

**USING**  
**Doc, Interviews,**  
**Surveys, Audits**

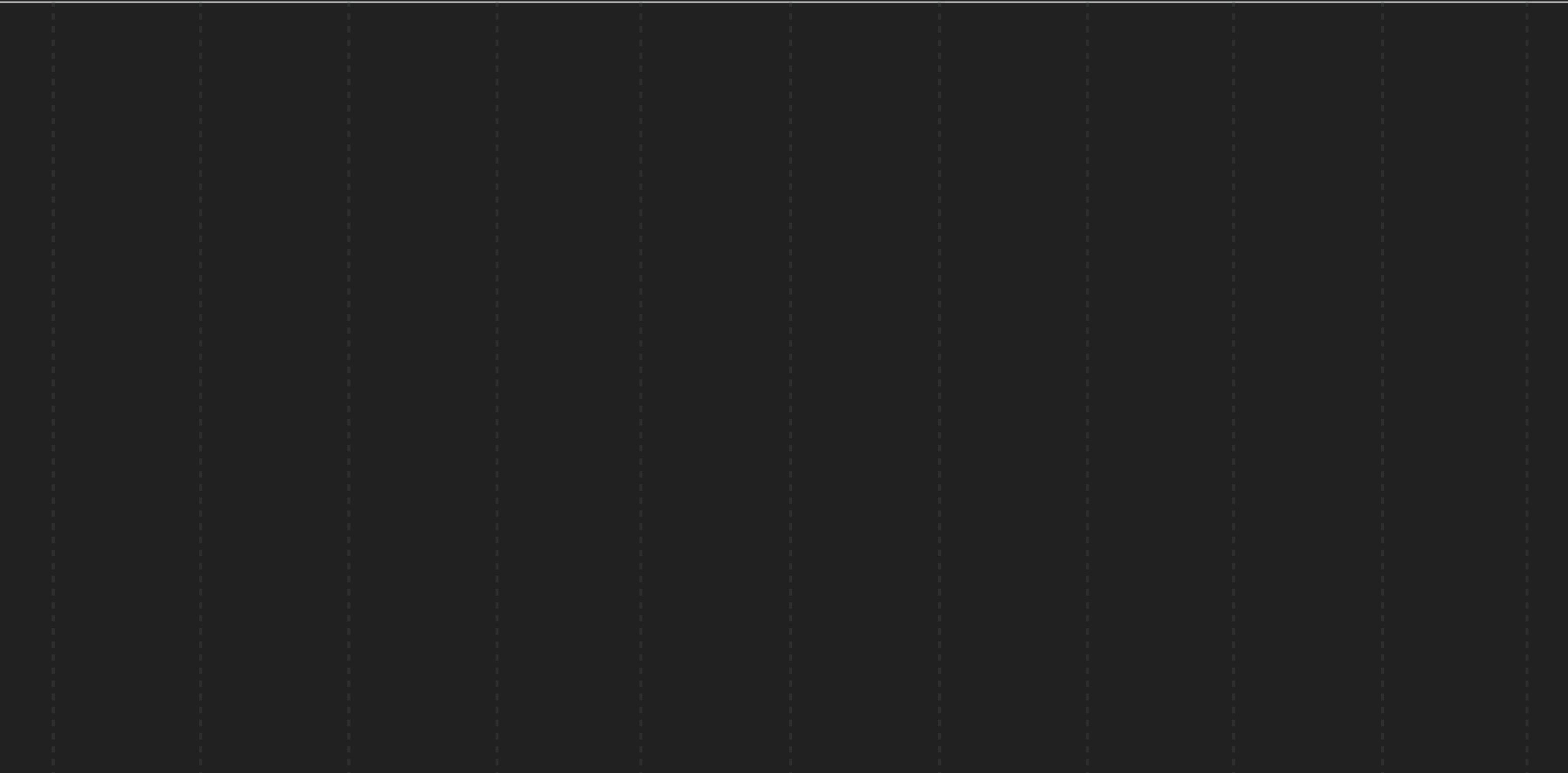
**USING**  
**Sketch, Invision, etc.**

**USING**  
**HTML, CSS**

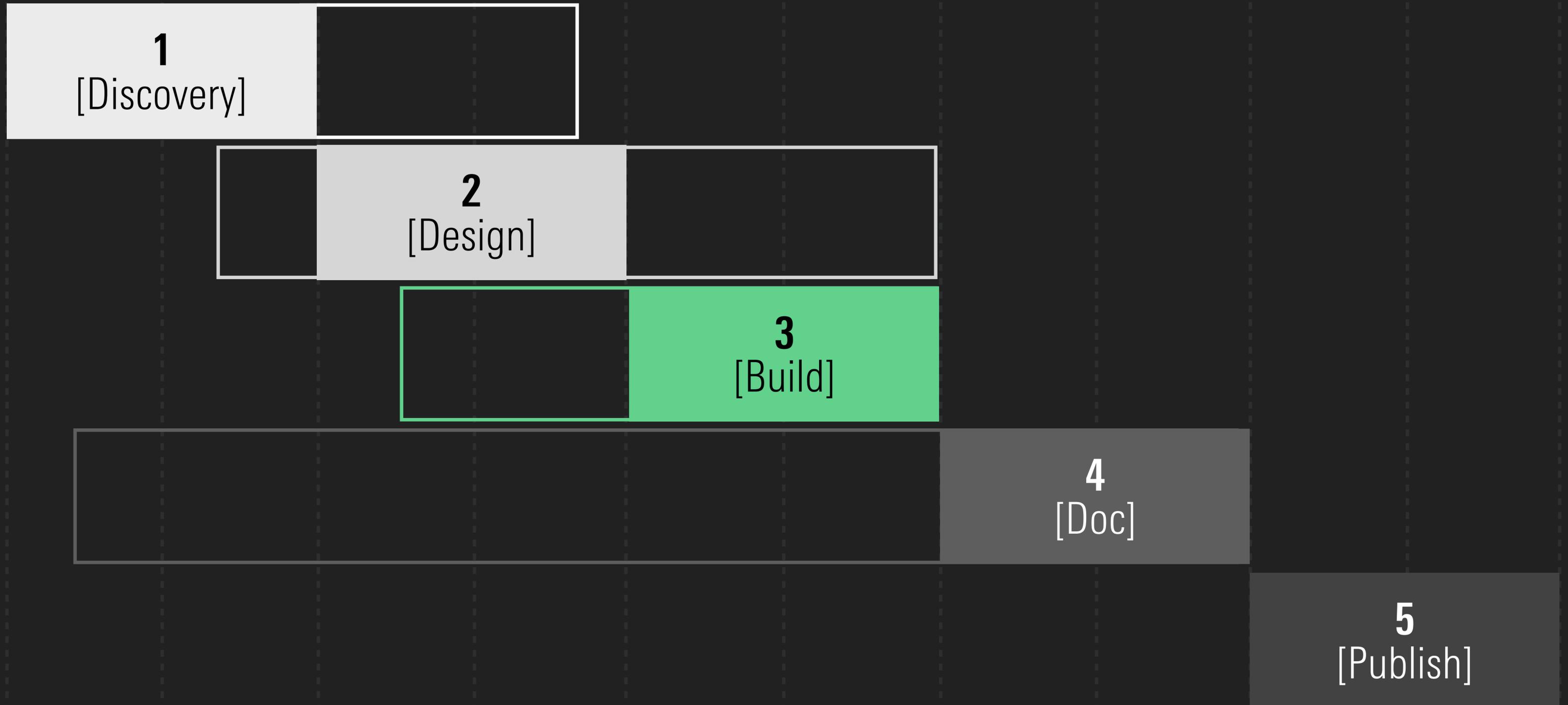
**USING**  
**Word Online**

**USING**  
**Publishing tools and**  
**system templates**

# 5 Phase Process



# 5 Phase Process



**[Discovery]**

# Product Audit

Navigation Audit

Name	Date Modified	Size	Kind
API Center	Aug 2, 2017, 12:56 PM	5.8 MB	Folder
AWS Proposal Creation	Today, 12:18 AM	274 KB	Folder
By All Accounts	Aug 2, 2017, 12:57 PM	4 MB	Folder
Client Portal	Aug 3, 2017, 1:33 AM	334 KB	Folder
Commodity Data Management	Aug 2, 2017, 1:01 PM	2.9 MB	Folder
Company Site	Aug 2, 2017, 1:03 PM	10.2 MB	Folder
Credit Ratings	Aug 3, 2017, 12:44 AM	3.1 MB	Folder
Developer	Aug 3, 2017, 12:45 AM	1.7 MB	Folder
Direct Cloud	Aug 1, 2017, 2:52 PM	5.9 MB	Folder
Dot Com (Phoenix)	Aug 3, 2017, 1:05 AM	5.6 MB	Folder
Equity Data API Center			
Excel Add-In			
Institutional Data Manager			
Managed Portfolios			
Morningstar Design System			
Morningstar Essentials			
Next (Pegasus)			
Plan Advantage			
Presentation Studio			
Retirement Manager			
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07/31/2017	CGMS 2017-MCDR
07/31/2017	JPMCC 2017-FL10
07/28/2017	Verus Securitization Trust 2017-2
07/27/2017	CSMC 2017-MCDR
07/27/2017	Progress 2017-SFR1
07/25/2017	Bain Capital Credit CLO 2017-1, Limited
07/25/2017	GSMS 2017-SOCK
07/25/2017	TPMT 2017-3

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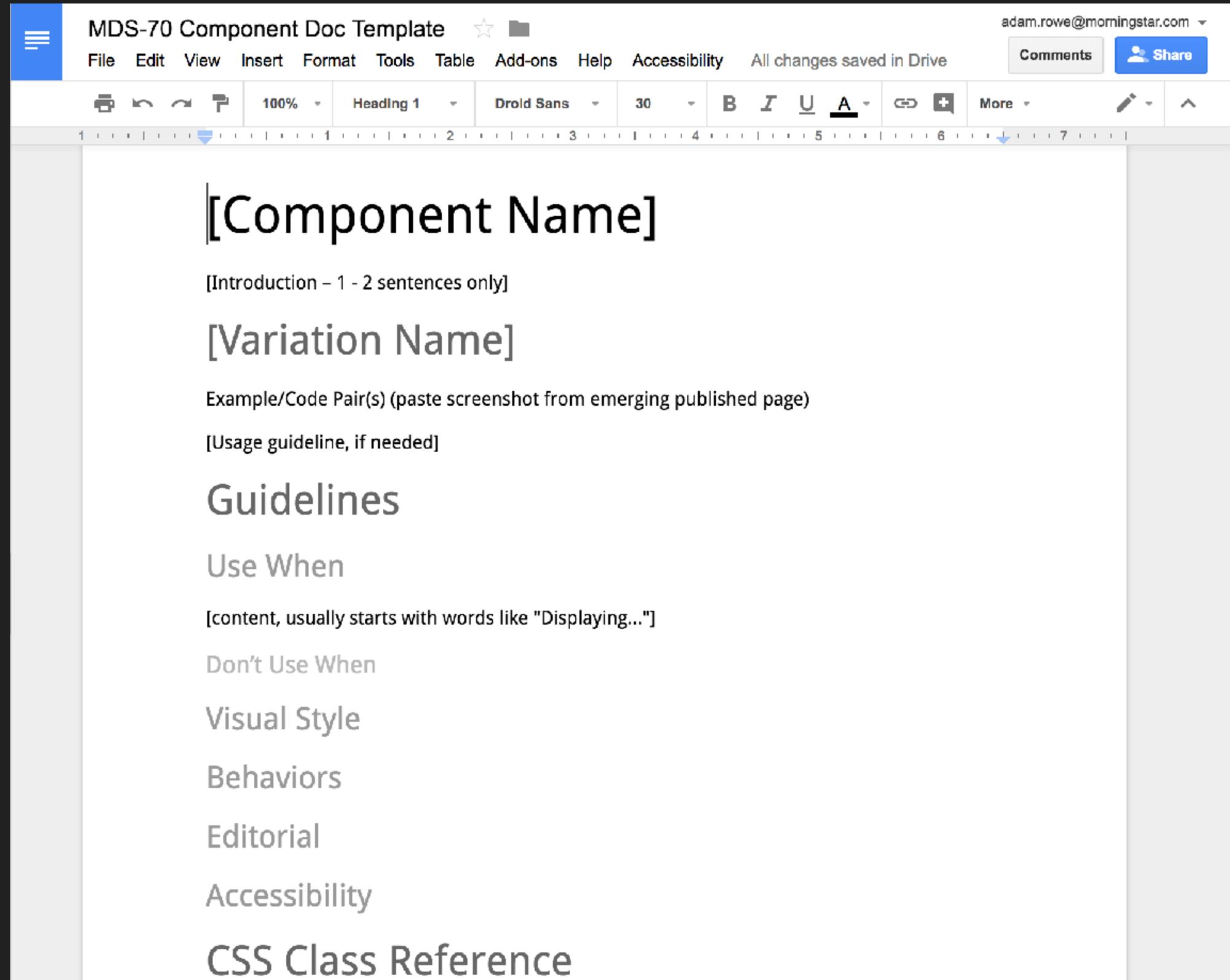
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# Create a Template and Start Documentation Early



The image shows a Google Docs interface for a document titled "MDS-70 Component Doc Template". The document is in a light gray theme and contains a series of placeholder text and section headers. The top of the document features a large heading "[Component Name]" in bold black font. Below this is a sub-heading "[Introduction - 1 - 2 sentences only]" in a smaller, lighter gray font. The next section is "[Variation Name]" in bold black font, followed by a sub-heading "Example/Code Pair(s) (paste screenshot from emerging published page)" in a smaller, lighter gray font. Below that is another sub-heading "[Usage guideline, if needed]" in a smaller, lighter gray font. The main body of the document consists of several section headers in bold black font: "Guidelines", "Use When", "Don't Use When", "Visual Style", "Behaviors", "Editorial", "Accessibility", and "CSS Class Reference". The Google Docs interface includes a menu bar at the top with options like File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Tools, Table, Add-ons, Help, and Accessibility. The status bar at the bottom indicates "All changes saved in Drive" and shows the user's email address "adam.rowe@momingstar.com".

MDS-70 Component Doc Template

File Edit View Insert Format Tools Table Add-ons Help Accessibility All changes saved in Drive

100% Heading 1 Droid Sans 30 B I U A

[Component Name]

[Introduction - 1 - 2 sentences only]

[Variation Name]

Example/Code Pair(s) (paste screenshot from emerging published page)

[Usage guideline, if needed]

Guidelines

Use When

[content, usually starts with words like "Displaying..."]

Don't Use When

Visual Style

Behaviors

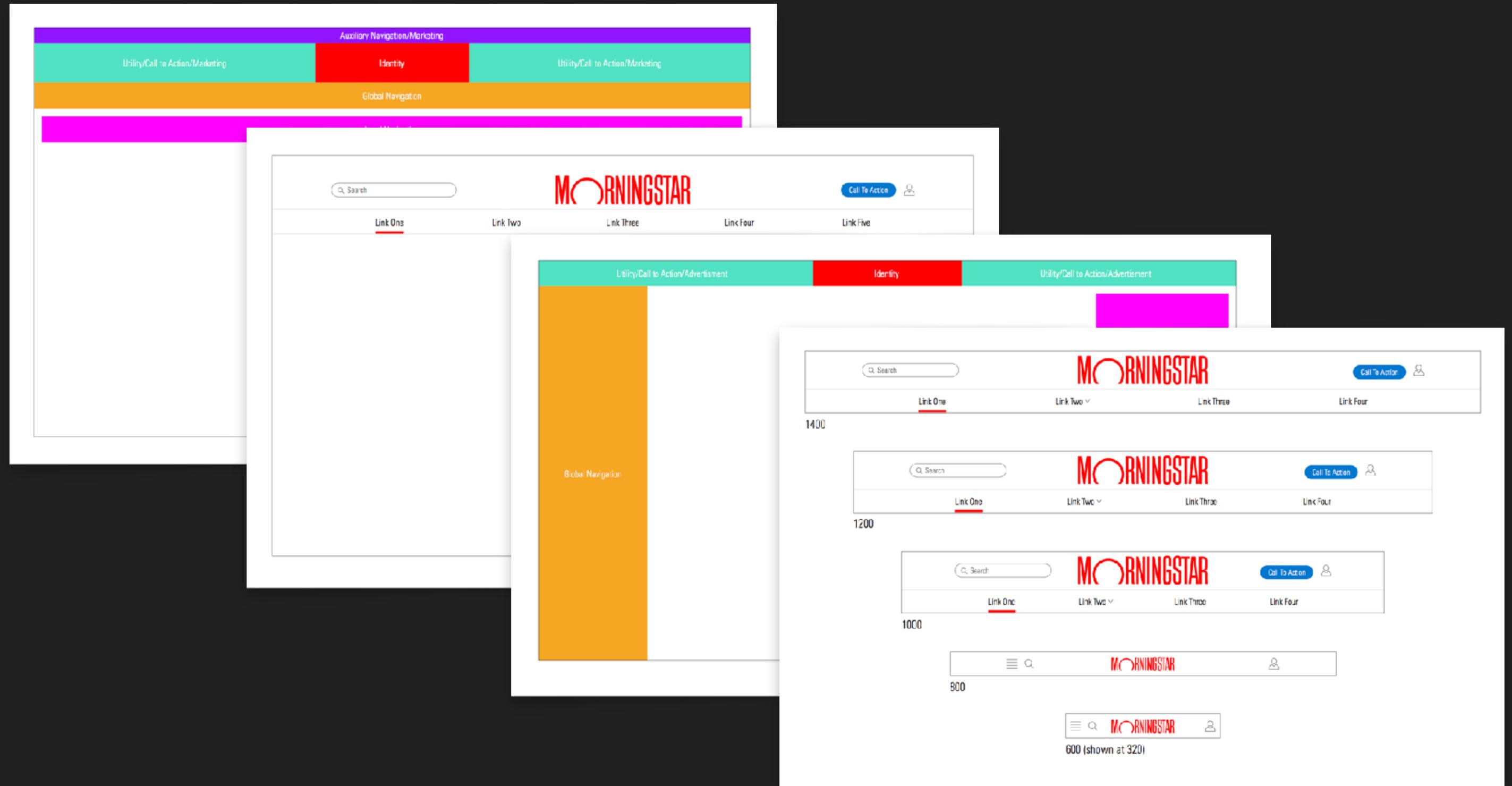
Editorial

Accessibility

CSS Class Reference

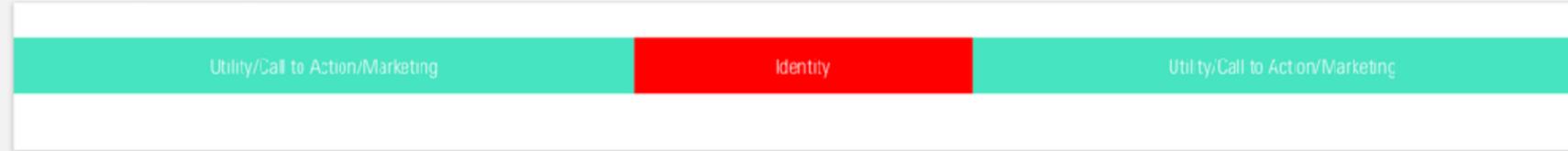
**[Design]**

# Building on Emerging Standards



# Design Iteration

Horizontal navigation - identity



Base - identity



Base - identity with utilities and call to action



Base - identity with marketing



Tall - identity with marketing



Tall - identity with marketing



Tall - identity with marketing



# Simple Spec

Masthead Spec

Icon-Only Buttons Search Field Buttons

Mastheads/Masthead Element Spacing Example 1



Mastheads/Masthead Element Spacing Example 1 Copy



👋 Morningstar Designers!



# Recurring Open Design and Content Review Meetings

**Visual Critique**  
(60 min)

**Content Power Hour**  
(60 min)

**Visual Critique**  
(60 min)

**Content Power Hour**  
(60 min)

**Design Rodeo**  
(60 min)

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Design review with engineers, too!

**[Build] & [Publish]**

What about scaling data visualizations?

# Charts at Morningstar

## Fidelity Disciplined Equity

### Prospectus Objective: Growth

Fidelity Disciplined Equity Fund seeks capital growth.

The fund normally invests at least 65% of assets in domestic common stocks issued by companies with market capitalizations exceeding \$100 million. It may invest the balance of assets in all types of domestic and foreign securities. Management hopes to generate more capital growth than that of the S&P 500 while maintaining similar industry diversification. It selects securities that it considers to be undervalued compared to industry norms. The disciplined approach involves computer-aided analysis supported by fundamental research.

### Portfolio Manager(s)

Brad Lewis, CFA. Since 12-88. BS'77 Naval Academy, MBA'85 Wharton. Lewis joined Fidelity Investments in 1985 as an analyst and became the first manager of the Select Air Transportation and Select Medical Delivery funds. Currently, he is head of the company's quantitative group. He also manages Fidelity Stock Selector. He spent one year as an analyst with Wilmington Trust.

### Performance 12-31-92

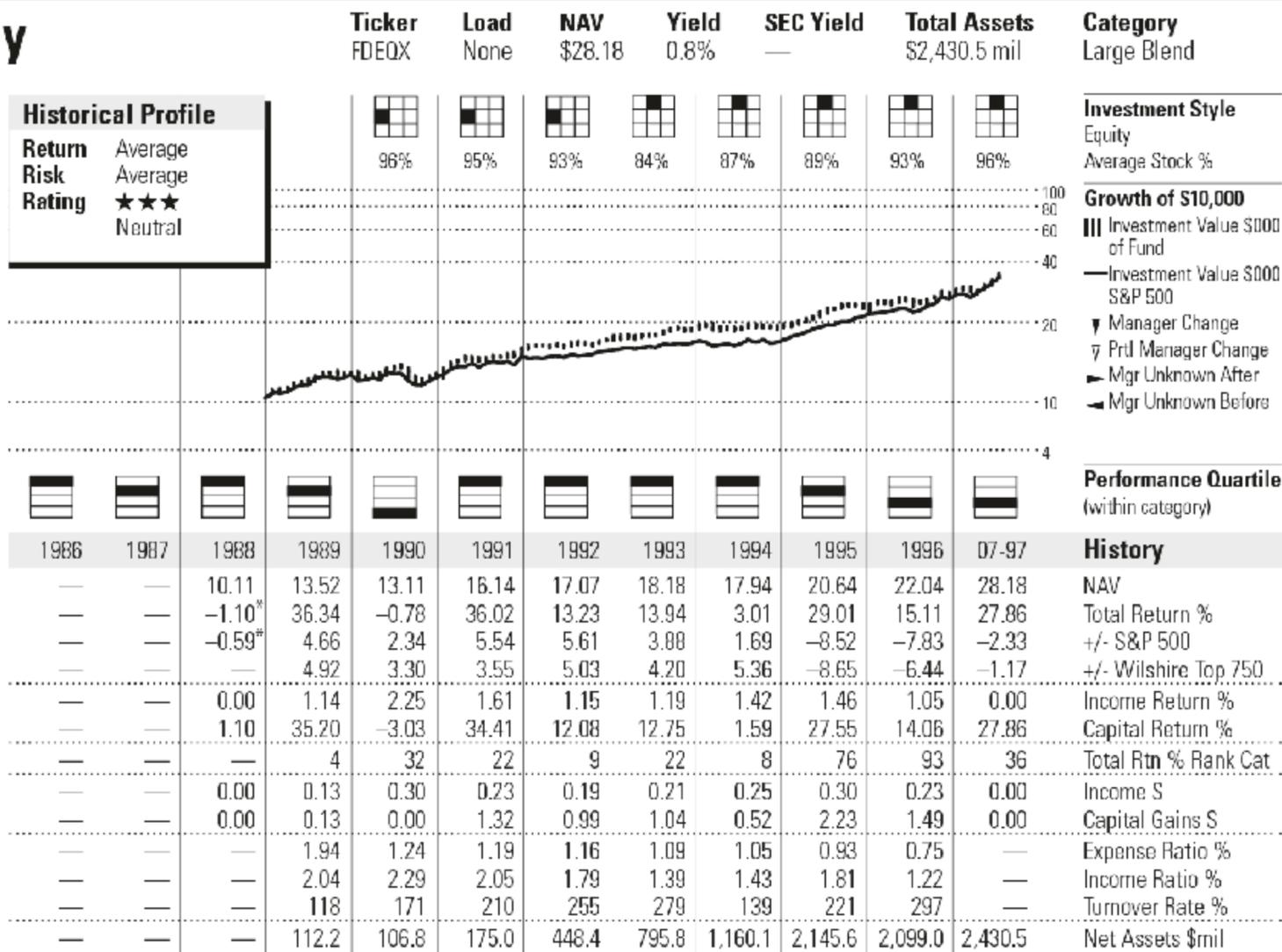
	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Total
1993	4.39	1.46	7.30	0.25	13.94
1994	-1.54	-0.56	4.61	0.57	3.01
1995	5.85	10.48	10.77	-0.41	29.01
1996	3.34	3.19	0.91	6.98	15.11
1997	1.23	15.24	—	—	—

### Trailing

	Total Return%	+/- S&P500	+/-Wil Top 750	% Rank All	% Rank Cat	Growth of \$10,000
3 Mo	21.83	2.19	1.86	13	12	12,183
6 Mo	20.89	-1.65	-0.69	10	42	12,089
1 Yr	46.19	-5.92	-4.31	11	50	14,619
3 Yr Avg	24.92	-5.83	-4.93	16	71	19,495
5 Yr Avg	18.36	-2.27	-1.14	18	51	23,231
10 Yr Avg	—	—	—	—	—	—

### Historical Profile

Return Average  
Risk Average  
Rating ★★★  
Neutral



### Risk Analysis

Time Period	Load-Adj Return %	Risk % All	Rank <sup>1</sup> Cat	Morningstar Return	Morningstar Risk	Morningstar Risk-Adj Rating
1 Yr	46.19	—	—	—	—	—
3 Yr	24.92	76	88	1.16	0.94	★★★
5 Yr	18.36	77	87	1.13	0.98	★★★
Incept	19.71	—	—	—	—	—
Average Historical Rating (68 months):						4.1★s
1=low, 100=high						

### Portfolio Analysis 04-30-97

Share Chg (10-96) 000	Amount 000	Total Stocks	Total Fixed-Income	Value \$000	% Net Assets
405	605	Intel	0	92,641	4.55
-50	648	General Electric	0	71,847	3.53
906	906	Bristol-Myers Squibb	0	59,342	2.91
-386	1,066	Travelers Group	0	59,029	2.90
-260	467	Procter & Gamble	0	58,725	2.88
221	403	BankAmerica	0	47,100	2.31
-200	507	Merck	0	45,884	2.25



# Chart Structure



# Chart Standards

The image displays a grid of 28 numbered panels, each illustrating a different chart type or standard. The panels are arranged in a 7x4 grid:

- 01**: A table with columns for 'Chart Type', 'Description', and 'Usage'. It lists various chart types like 'Bar Chart', 'Line Chart', 'Pie Chart', etc.
- 02**: A table with columns for 'Chart Type', 'Description', and 'Usage'. It lists various chart types like 'Bar Chart', 'Line Chart', 'Pie Chart', etc.
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- 10**: A table with columns for 'Chart Type', 'Description', and 'Usage'. It lists various chart types like 'Bar Chart', 'Line Chart', 'Pie Chart', etc.
- 11**: A line chart showing a fluctuating trend over time.
- 12**: A line chart showing a fluctuating trend over time.
- 13**: A line chart showing a fluctuating trend over time.
- 14**: A table with columns for 'Chart Type', 'Description', and 'Usage'. It lists various chart types like 'Bar Chart', 'Line Chart', 'Pie Chart', etc.
- 15**: A table with columns for 'Chart Type', 'Description', and 'Usage'. It lists various chart types like 'Bar Chart', 'Line Chart', 'Pie Chart', etc.
- 16**: A bar chart showing data points across categories.
- 17**: A bar chart showing data points across categories.
- 18**: A bar chart showing data points across categories.
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- 28**: A table with columns for 'Chart Type', 'Description', and 'Usage'. It lists various chart types like 'Bar Chart', 'Line Chart', 'Pie Chart', etc.

### Line

For continuous data; useful for showing trend or progression over time.

Only use fill under a line to convey meaning (green/red for positive/negative performance or orange/blue for over-/undervaluation).

#### LINES

weight: **2px** [1pt]

#### BENCHMARK

color: **\$gs14 (#151515)** [K90]

size: **2px** [1pt]

#### VERTICAL GRID BARS

The width of the grid bars is evenly split according to the number of X-axis values.

color: **\$gs2 (#F2F2F2)** [K4]

#### LEGEND

label font-size: **14px**

label font-weight: **Condensed Bold**

figure font-size: **18px**

figure font-weight: **Condensed Light**

label font-color: **\$gs14 (#151515)** [K90]

figure font-color: **\$gs14 (#151515)** [K90]

label line weight: **2px** [1pt]

label line length: **longest value + padding-right: 6px**

padding between line & label: **3px**

margin-bottom: **6px**

top and bottom rule weight: **1px**

top and bottom rule length: **longest value + padding-right: 6px**

color: **\$gs7 (#999999)** [K35]



# Morningstar Base Charts



The screenshot displays the Morningstar Base Charts application interface. It features several overlapping windows, each showing a different chart type and its associated controls:

- MBC - Vertical Bar Chart:** A vertical bar chart with seven bars labeled Value 1 through Value 7. The y-axis is labeled 'Y axis label' and has tick marks at \*0.00\*, \*20.00\*, \*40.00\*, \*60.00\*, and \*80.00\* USD. A legend indicates 'Data 1' (blue bars) and 'Benchmarks' (black line).
- MBC - Horizontal Bar Chart:** A horizontal bar chart with five bars. The x-axis is labeled 'X axis label' and has tick marks at 0%, 20, 40, 60, and 80.
- MBC - Correlation:** A list of five correlation strategies with their respective values:
  - 1 Convertible Arbitrage: 16.50\*
  - 2 U.S. Sm-Cap Lg-Short Equity: 11.00\*
  - 3 China Long-Short Equity: 38.50\*
  - 4 Equity Market Neutral: 0.89
  - 5 Global Long-Short Equity: 0.60
- MBC - Time Series:** A time series chart showing a line graph with data points and a trend line. The y-axis has tick marks at \$44.00\* USD, \*16.50\*, \*11.00\*, and \*38.50\*.

At the bottom, there is a section titled 'Pass in Your Own Data' with a text box and a legend toggle. The legend shows five data series with values: -0.89, 0.60, 0.73, -0.55, and 1.00.

# System Demonstration

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# MORNINGSTAR Design System



## Building Morningstar products with a design philosophy delivered in code.

### Shared Understanding

The Morningstar Design System aligns product teams on Morningstar brand, visual language, UX, and technical standards.

### Build With Confidence

The System provides teams with ready-made components to facilitate efficiency, consistency, and accessibility. This frees teams up to solve harder problems.

[Download Sketch Assets \(v1.1\)](#) [Get Started](#)

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### What's New?

**Version 1.10.0** (released 01/22/2018)

Here are some of the highlights of recent releases:

- [Masthead](#), [Site Navigation](#), and [Stepper](#), [Page Shell](#), and [Navigation Container](#) components, including a [Navigation UX Pattern](#).
- [Tags](#) component.
- Improvements to component accessibility for people with disabilities.
- Brought: [Morningstar Base Charts](#) into MDS, including resources to help you [choose a chart](#).

### What's Next?

In addition to coordinating and supporting adoption and continuing to maintain and extend existing library items, the MDS team is actively working on:

- [Layout Grid](#) component
- Defining 2018 Q1 & Q2 priorities

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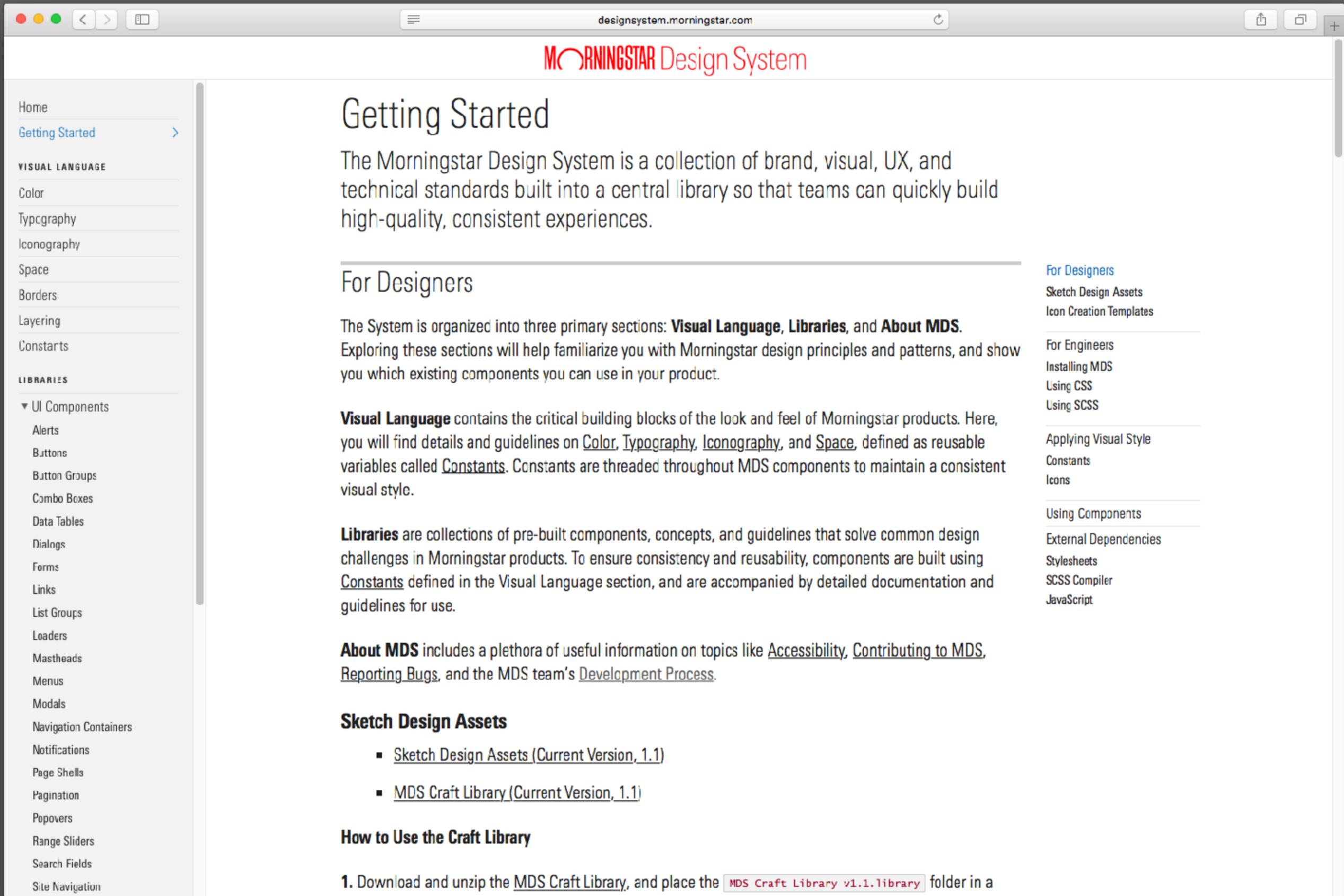
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The Morningstar Design System is a collection of brand, visual, UX, and technical standards built into a central library so that teams can quickly build high-quality, consistent experiences.

## For Designers

The System is organized into three primary sections: **Visual Language**, **Libraries**, and **About MDS**. Exploring these sections will help familiarize you with Morningstar design principles and patterns, and show you which existing components you can use in your product.

**Visual Language** contains the critical building blocks of the look and feel of Morningstar products. Here, you will find details and guidelines on [Color](#), [Typography](#), [Iconography](#), and [Space](#), defined as reusable variables called [Constants](#). Constants are threaded throughout MDS components to maintain a consistent visual style.

**Libraries** are collections of pre-built components, concepts, and guidelines that solve common design challenges in Morningstar products. To ensure consistency and reusability, components are built using [Constants](#) defined in the Visual Language section, and are accompanied by detailed documentation and guidelines for use.

**About MDS** includes a plethora of useful information on topics like [Accessibility](#), [Contributing to MDS](#), [Reporting Bugs](#), and the MDS team's [Development Process](#).

### Sketch Design Assets

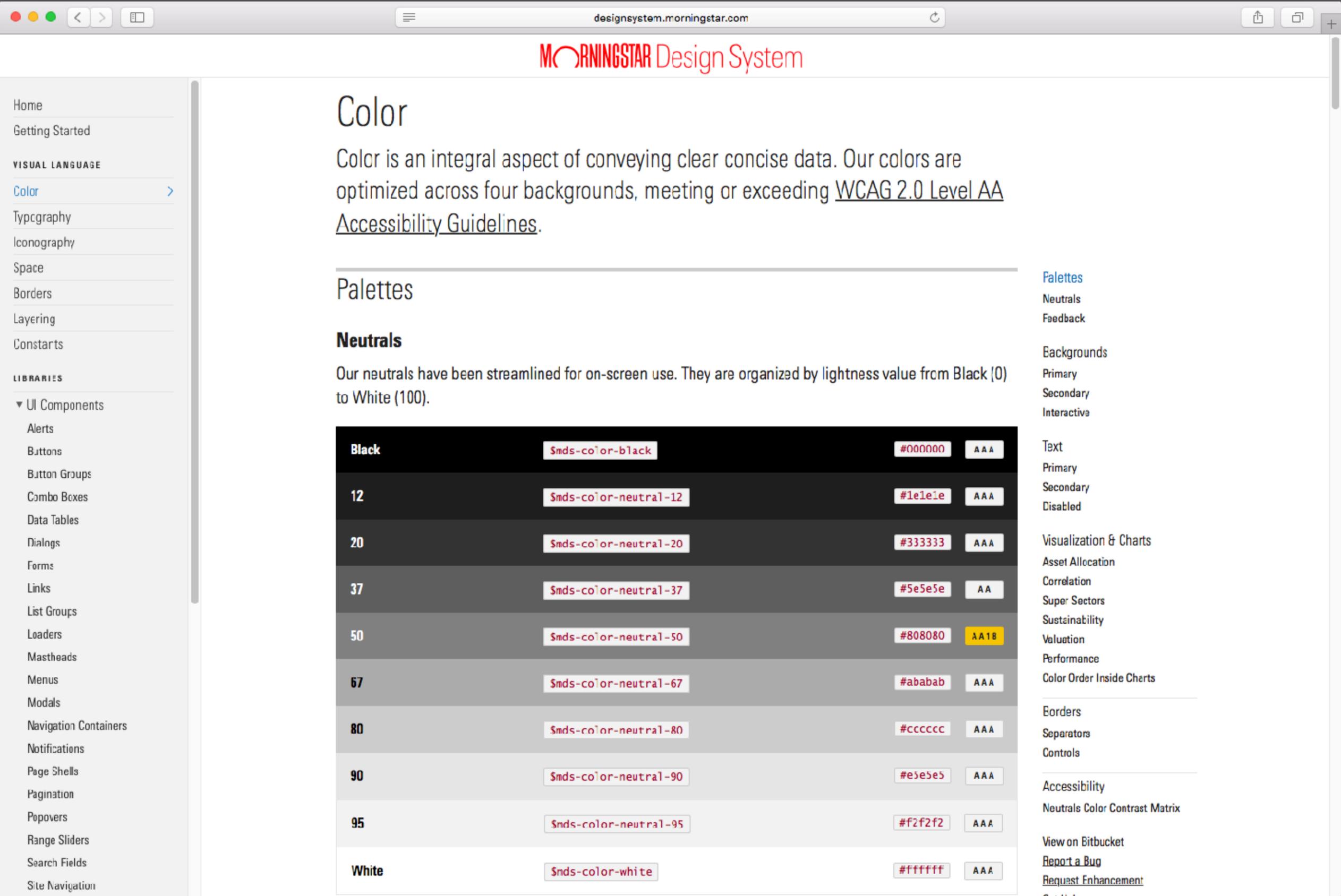
- [Sketch Design Assets \(Current Version, 1.1\)](#)
- [MDS Craft Library \(Current Version, 1.1\)](#)

### How to Use the Craft Library

1. Download and unzip the [MDS Craft Library](#), and place the `MDS Craft Library v1.1.library` folder in a

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# Color

Color is an integral aspect of conveying clear concise data. Our colors are optimized across four backgrounds, meeting or exceeding WCAG 2.0 Level AA Accessibility Guidelines.

## Palettes

### Neutrals

Our neutrals have been streamlined for on-screen use. They are organized by lightness value from Black (0) to White (100).

<b>Black</b>	<code>\$nds-color-black</code>	<code>#000000</code>	AAA
<b>12</b>	<code>\$nds-color-neutral-12</code>	<code>#1e1e1e</code>	AAA
<b>20</b>	<code>\$nds-color-neutral-20</code>	<code>#333333</code>	AAA
<b>37</b>	<code>\$nds-color-neutral-37</code>	<code>#5e5e5e</code>	AA
<b>50</b>	<code>\$nds-color-neutral-50</code>	<code>#808080</code>	AA1B
<b>67</b>	<code>\$nds-color-neutral-67</code>	<code>#ababab</code>	AAA
<b>80</b>	<code>\$nds-color-neutral-80</code>	<code>#cccccc</code>	AAA
<b>90</b>	<code>\$nds-color-neutral-90</code>	<code>#e5e5e5</code>	AAA
<b>95</b>	<code>\$nds-color-neutral-95</code>	<code>#f2f2f2</code>	AAA
<b>White</b>	<code>\$nds-color-white</code>	<code>#ffffff</code>	AAA

### Palettes

Neutrals  
Feedback

### Backgrounds

Primary  
Secondary  
Interactive

### Text

Primary  
Secondary  
Disabled

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Asset Allocation  
Correlation  
Super Sectors  
Sustainability  
Valuation  
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<code>\$mds-text-color-secondary-default</code>	 #5e5e5e
<code>\$mds-text-color-secondary-on-light</code>	 #5e5e5e
<code>\$mds-text-color-secondary-on-dark</code>	 #ababab
<code>\$mds-text-color-link-default</code>	 #006fba
<code>\$mds-text-color-link-on-light</code>	 #006fba
<code>\$mds-text-color-link-on-dark</code>	 #008dde
<code>\$mds-text-color-error-default</code>	 #ff0000
<code>\$mds-text-color-error-on-light</code>	 #ff0000
<code>\$mds-text-color-error-on-dark</code>	 #ff0000

### Interactive

Variable Name	Value
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-primary-default</code>	 #0077cf
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-primary-hover</code>	 #005ba1
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-primary-focus</code>	 #005ba1
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-primary-active</code>	 #004376
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-primary</code>	transparent
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-hover</code>	 #5e5e5e
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-focus</code>	 #5e5e5e
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-active-on-light</code>	 #333333
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-active-on-dark</code>	 #e5e5e5
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-disabled-on-light</code>	 #808080
<code>\$mds-interactive-color-disabled-on-dark</code>	 #ababab

### Visualization

Variable Name	Value
<code>\$mds-visualization-color-asset-allocation-local-stocks</code>	 #1f55a5
<code>\$mds-visualization-color-asset-allocation-non-local-stocks</code>	 #8faad2
<code>\$mds-visualization-color-asset-allocation-real-estate</code>	 #a50032
<code>\$mds-visualization-color-asset-allocation-other</code>	 #f5c400

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# Buttons

Buttons trigger interactions throughout the experience.



Size	<span>S</span> <span>M</span> <span>L</span>
Button Text	Button Action
Variation	Primary
Background Color	White

View Code

```

<button class="nds-button nds-button--primary" type="button" role="button"> Button Action
  
```

## Primary

Use for highest-priority actions that are required to complete the user's task.

	DEFAULT
	HOVER
	ACTIVE
	FOCUS

White Light Dark Black

```

<button class="nds-button nds-button--primary" type="button" role="button"> Button Text </button>
  
```

### Variations

- Primary
- Secondary
- Flat
- With Icon
- Icon Only
- Sizing

### Guidelines

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### Code Reference

CSS Class References

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**Element= "input-button"**

default	hover	focus	active	disabled
default	hover	focus	active	disabled
default	hover	focus	active	disabled
default	hover	focus	active	disabled

**Element= "submit"**

default	hover	focus	active	disabled
default	hover	focus	active	disabled
default	hover	focus	active	disabled
default	hover	focus	active	disabled

**Element= "a"**

default	hover	focus	active	disabled

# Visual Diffing with BackstopJS 3

BackstopJS Report

Passed **466** Failed **496**

Expand Summary

status filter **failed** show stats

button - .mds-doc-visual-diff-testing prod\_test\_button\_0\_mds-doc-visual-diff-testing\_0\_Component\_Sink.png

REFERENCE

**Primary**

Element= "input-button" Element= "submit" Element= "a"  
Sign Up Sign Up Sign Up

Element= "button" Element= "checkbox" Element= "radio"  
Sign Up Sign Up Sign Up

**Primary, Left Icon**

Element= "input-button" Element= "submit" Element= "a"  
Download Document Download Document Download Document

Element= "button" Element= "checkbox" Element= "radio"  
Download Document Download Document Download Document

**Primary, Right Icon**

Element= "input-button" Element= "submit" Element= "a"  
Continue > Continue > Continue >

Element= "button" Element= "checkbox" Element= "radio"  
Continue > Continue > Continue >

**Primary, Two Icons**

Element= "input-button" Element= "submit" Element= "a"  
Upload Changes Upload Changes Upload Changes

Element= "button" Element= "checkbox" Element= "radio"  
Upload Changes Upload Changes Upload Changes

TEST

**Primary**

Element= "input-button" Element= "submit" Element= "a"  
Sign Up Sign Up Sign Up

Element= "button" Element= "checkbox" Element= "radio"  
Sign Up Sign Up Sign Up

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Continue > Continue > Continue >

Element= "button" Element= "checkbox" Element= "radio"  
Continue > Continue > Continue >

**Primary, Two Icons**

Element= "input-button" Element= "submit" Element= "a"  
Upload Changes Upload Changes Upload Changes

Element= "button" Element= "checkbox" Element= "radio"  
Upload Changes Upload Changes Upload Changes

DIFF

**Primary**

Element= "input-button" Element= "submit" Element= "a"  
Sign Up Sign Up Sign Up

Element= "button" Element= "checkbox" Element= "radio"  
Sign Up Sign Up Sign Up

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## Mastheads

Mastheads provide a shared foundation for Morningstar web properties by presenting branding and key functionality in a set of standard responsive configurations.

ABOVE 768PX



BELOW 768PX



Mastheads consist of one required and two optional elements:



1. Branding (required).
2. Left controls (optional), which contain a [Button](#) to trigger a hidden menu and a [Search Field](#).
3. Right controls (optional), which contain calls to action and sign in/user account menu access.

### Default

Use to establish the foundation of a product masthead.

DEFAULT

Variations

- Default
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- Right Controls
- Tall
- Responsivcross
- Default & Tall
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# Notifications

Notifications float in front of page content and provide information about page-level or out-of-view events. There are four types: error, warning, success, or informational.

(Note: Notifications have been enhanced. The [legacy Notifications](#) are still supported, but are deprecated and will be removed in v2.0.)

Size: S M

Width: Default 350px

Notification Type: Error ▼

Tinted:

Title:

Unordered List:

Custom Action:

Dismiss Action:

Background Color: White ▼

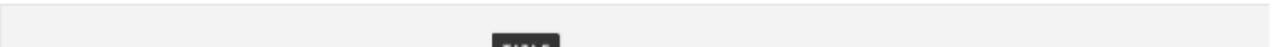
View Code  Copy to Clipboard

```

<div class="mds-notification-enhanced on">
  <div role="alert" class="mds-notification-enhanced__item mds-notification-enhanced_it
    <div class="mds-notification-enhanced__status">
      <svg class="mds-icon mds-notification-enhanced__icon">
        <use xlink:href="/assets/icons/mds_icons.svg#alert">
          <title>Error</title>
        </use>
      </svg>
    </div>
  </div>

```

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Vertical Bar

Release History

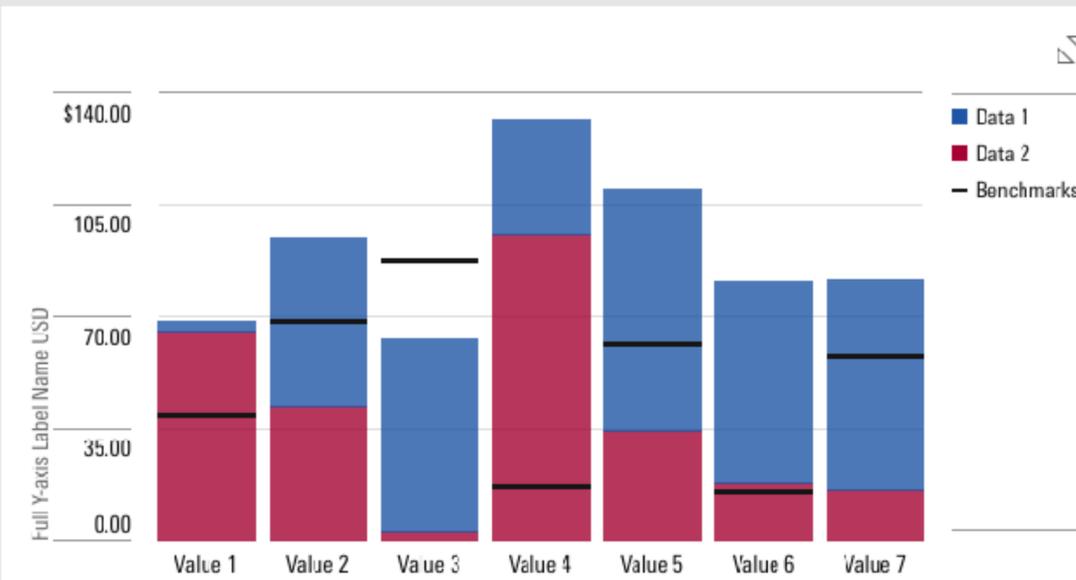
Editorial

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# Vertical Bar

Vertical Bar charts compare different items or the same item over time.



- Number of Bars: 7
- Bar Style: Stacked
- Show Negatives:
- Y-Axis Placement: 1 Axis, Left
- Y-Axis Label:
- Label Style: Full / Abbreviated
- Benchmark:
- Style: Solid / Connected
- Grey Bands:
- Tooltips:

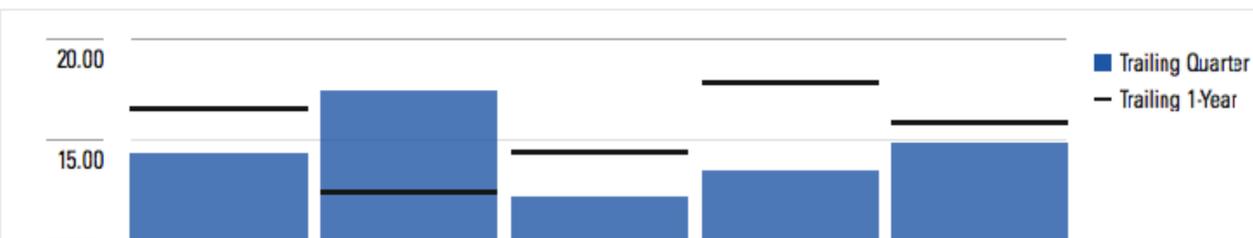
View Code

Copy to Clipboard

## Guidelines

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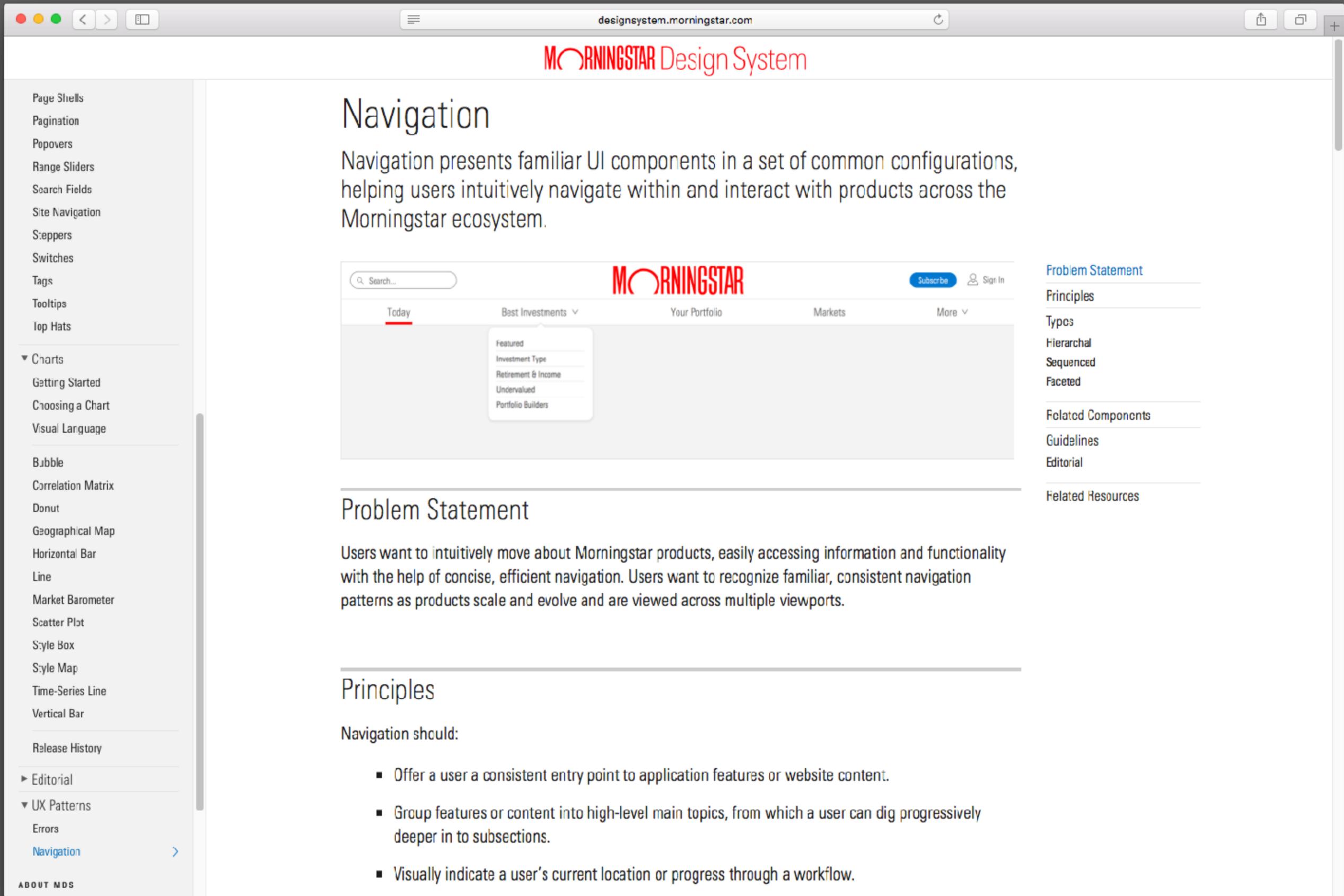
- Representing information compared against other information, such as with a point-in-time Return Chart.



### Guidelines

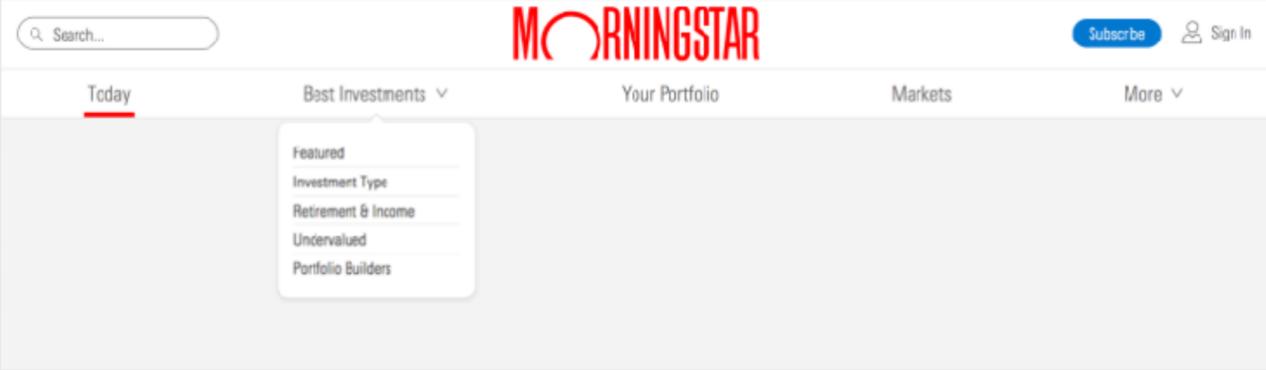
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# Navigation

Navigation presents familiar UI components in a set of common configurations, helping users intuitively navigate within and interact with products across the Morningstar ecosystem.



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## Problem Statement

Users want to intuitively move about Morningstar products, easily accessing information and functionality with the help of concise, efficient navigation. Users want to recognize familiar, consistent navigation patterns as products scale and evolve and are viewed across multiple viewports.

## Principles

Navigation should:

- Offer a user a consistent entry point to application features or website content.
- Group features or content into high-level main topics, from which a user can dig progressively deeper in to subsections.
- Visually indicate a user's current location or progress through a workflow.

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# Contributions

The Morningstar Design System welcomes contributions from designers and engineers.

## Why Contribute?

A product designer or engineer may contribute to a design system because:

Rationale	Relevance
Current: product work (such as a new component) is relevant to other products	High
Influence to shape the system's outcomes, quality and priority towards product squad needs	High
Contributing deeply familiarizes product team member with system architecture	Medium
Participation over time merits influence on system direction and priorities	Medium
Extensions to the contribution may be supported by the MDS team (instead of remaining a burden of a product team)	Medium
Product team is recognized as a key contributor, highlighted in communications	Medium
Expertise is useful to other product teams	Low
Develop reputation as an expert	Low
Passions are stirred!	Low

### Why Contribute?

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## Time Commitments

Designers and engineers contribute design and code to MDS using time balanced against commitments to their squad, as confirmed by that squad's leader and the MDS team.

Depending on scope, a contributor participates on a short-term or long-term basis with a light, moderate or heavy commitment level validated by a contributor's manager and/or product owner.

Commitment level	Short term contributor	Long term contributor	System team member	Segment owner
Heavy	32 hr/week	16 hr/week	20 to 40 hr/week	N/A
Moderate	16 hr/week	8 hr/week	N/A	N/A
Light	≤ 4 hr/week	~4 hr/week	N/A	4 hr/week

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## Adopting MDS

The Design System is flexible and allows for progressive adoption by product teams. The MDS team monitors adoption across the Morningstar product portfolio by tracking product progress across steps.

### Steps

The Design System is adopted per product across gradual steps in priority order. These steps serve as milestones to track adoption across all products no matter the pace of an individual product team.

Step	Criteria
<b>Step 0</b> Non Adopter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Branding / visual language is out of date.</li> <li>Product is obviously not complying with System.</li> <li>Interface is dated and inconsistent with latest conventions.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 1</b> Plan & Dependency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Codebase has system NPM dependency.</li> <li>Team has compiled, tuned, and organized System assets for integration and extension.</li> <li>Team shows adoption commitment via roadmap and backlog.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b> Visual Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Color</li> <li>Typography</li> <li>Icons</li> <li>Constants applied to non-MDS components.</li> </ul> <p>No more than 9 months behind latest release</p>
<b>Step 3</b> Priority Components	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Buttons</li> <li>Forms: Checkboxes, Radios, Text, Select</li> <li>Switches</li> <li>Data Tables</li> <li>List Groups</li> </ul> <p>No more than 6 months behind latest release</p>

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Thanks!