

A11y

It is not a bug,  
definitely a feature



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“All people over the course  
of their lives traffic between  
times of relative  
independence and  
dependence”

Sarah Hendren

# 1 billion

some form of disability (15%), 200 million very significant



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Hey [@esconfs](#) I guess no one tested the accessibility of the page, right?

	1 Day Ticket (Saturday - Sun)	2-3 Day Ticket	3 Day Ticket (Mon - Wed)	3 Day Ticket (Tue - Thurs)	4 Day Ticket
PRICING	€865	€1850	€2030	€2030	€2310
MON	✓		✓		✓
TUE (AM)	✓		✓	✓	✓
TUE (PM)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

“It’s possible to fly without  
motors, but not without  
knowledge and skill.”



Wilbur Wright

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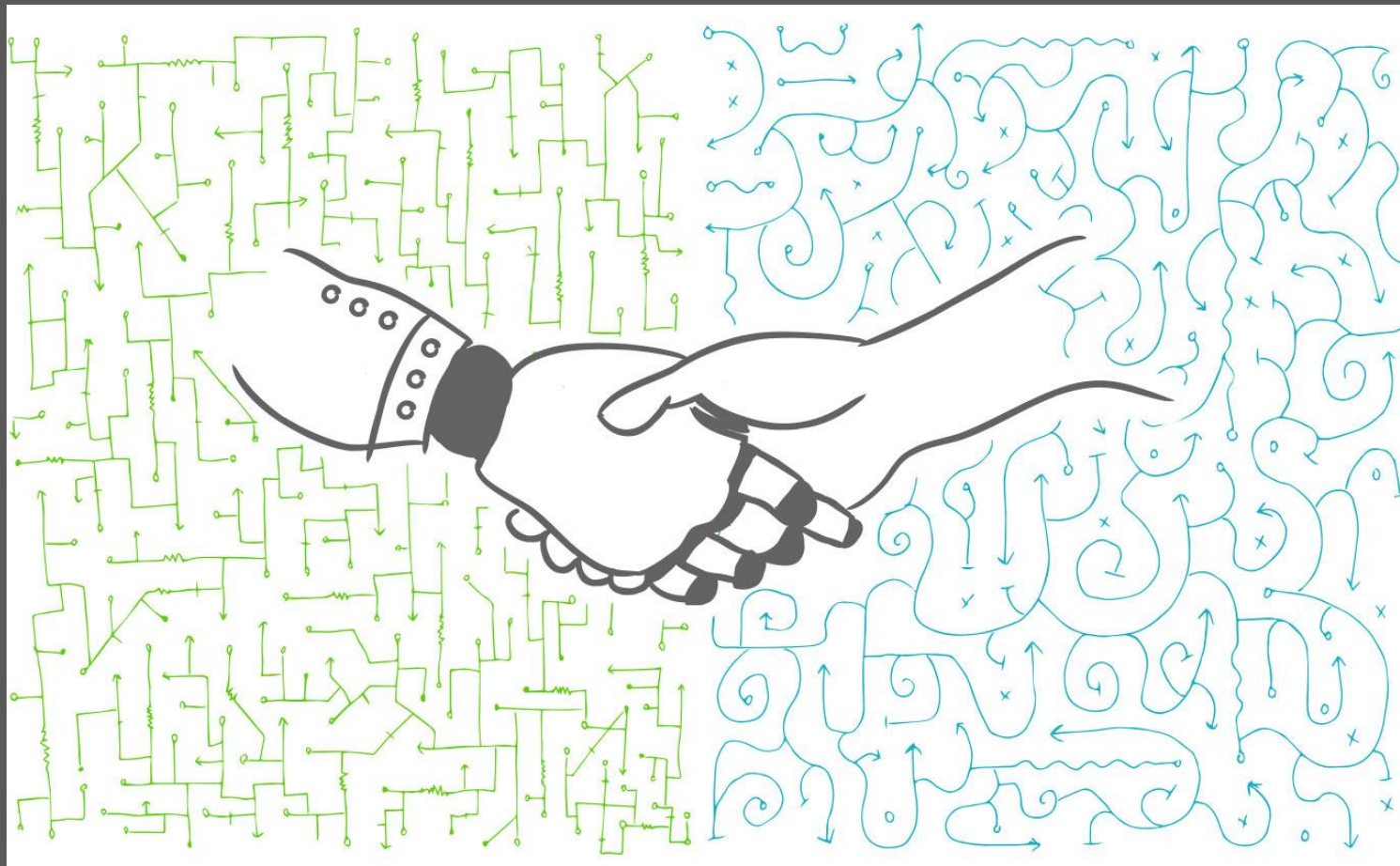
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- Hearing Disability - Auditory problems like deafness and hearing impairments; Cannot able to hear or not able to hear clearly

The web is for all  
people





Why..

→ People ❤️

The reality is that  
accessibility, whether  
online or in the real world,  
helps a wide variety of  
people

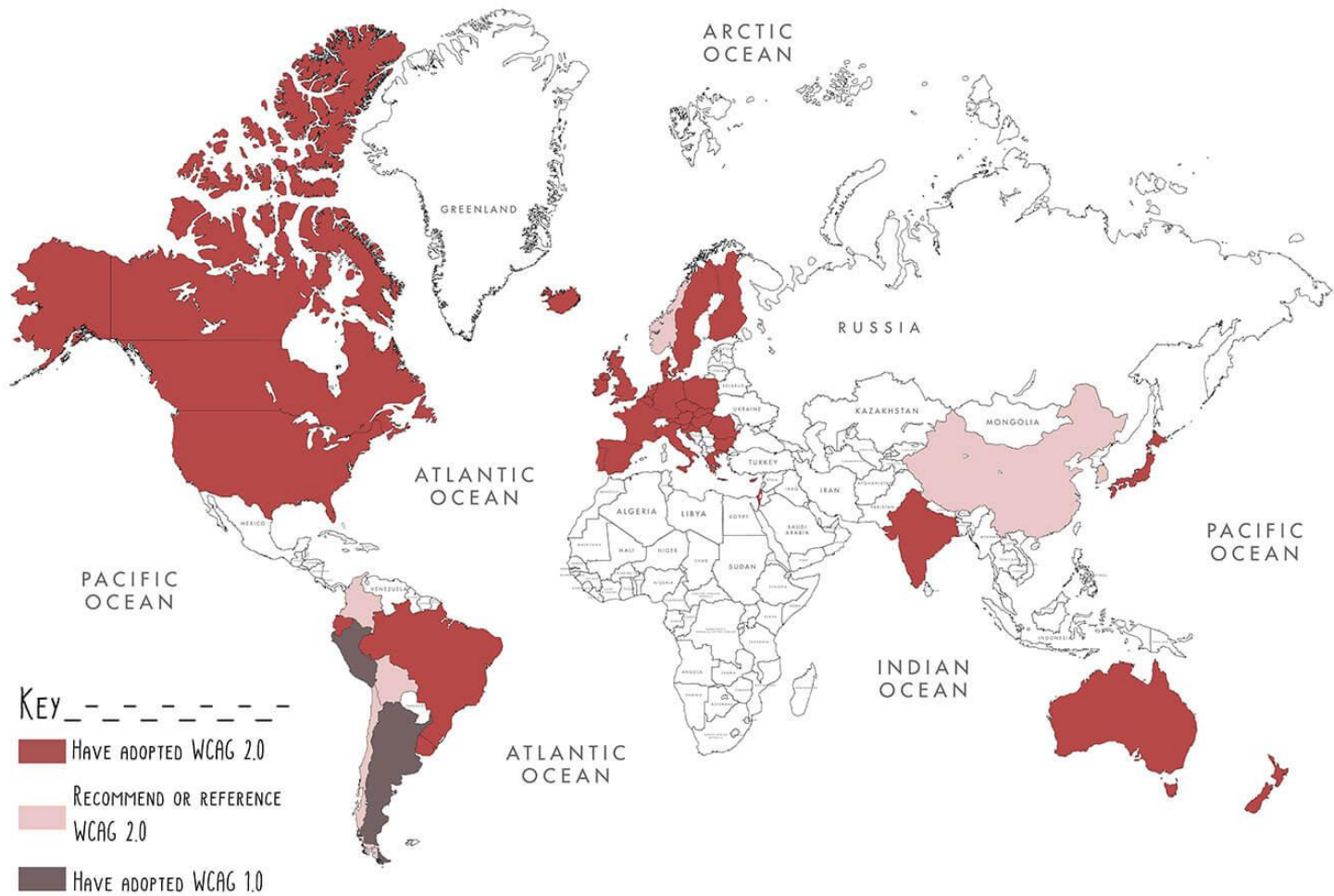
(wheelchair ramps.sidewalks)

[Nicolas Steenhout](#)


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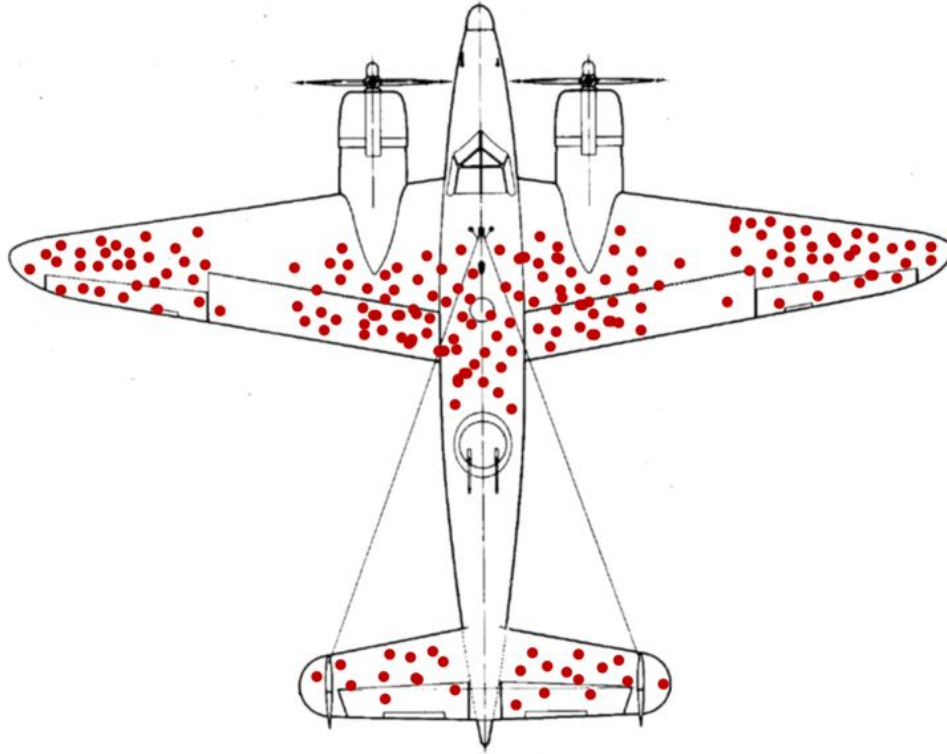
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Survivorship bias

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- Doing favors vs doing your job
  - ◆ Drive innovation / improve practices

# Accessibility audits



“It is really like any other thing you learn. It takes time till you add it first and then you just add it everywhere”

[Stefan Judis](#)

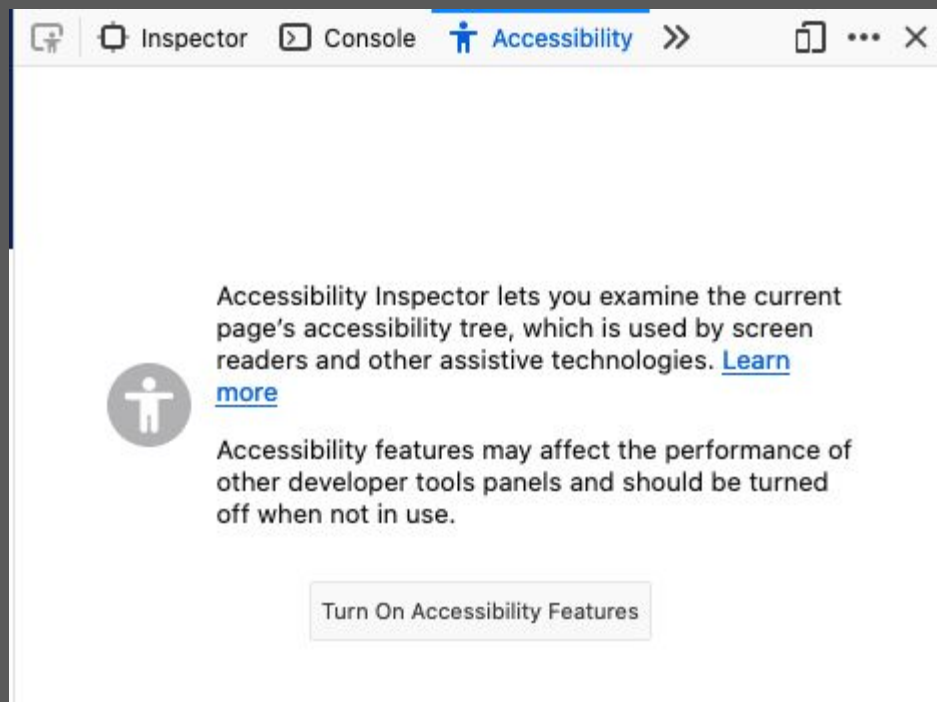
# How

- DevTools Audits
- [Color Contrast](#)
- [Patterns & Colors](#)
- [Typography](#) - Comics Sans
- [Animations](#)
- [Semantic](#) - elements in order/a11y tree/ Page structure/ Menu nav & list
- Alt input - links, images, etc



# DevTools Audits

- Not bounded to any framework
  - ARIA tree inspector - Mozilla a11y team colaboration
  - Run a simulation
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- <http://firefox-devtools-tour.glitch.me/20190915/new/#a11y>
  - <http://firefox-devtools-tour.glitch.me/20190915/soon/#color-blindness>
  - [https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Accessibility/Understanding\\_WCAG/Keyboard](https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Accessibility/Understanding_WCAG/Keyboard)
  - <https://hacks.mozilla.org/2019/10/auditing-for-accessibility-problems-with-firefox-developer-tools/>





New  
f...



Multiline editor mode



# Accessibility audits

Detect common accessibility problems.

Firstname

entry

⚠ Focusable element may be missing focus styling.

❗ Form elements must be labeled.

Lastname

Submit

Inspector Console Accessibility >> ...

Turn Off Accessibility Features [beta](#) Check for issues: All Issues ⌵

Role	Name
pushbutton:	"←"  keyboard
statictext:	"←"  keyboard
pushbutton:	"Multiline editor mode →" keyboard
statictext:	"→"  keyboard
text leaf:	"Firstname"  contrast
entry:	""  keyboard  text label
text leaf:	"Lastname"  contrast
entry:	""  keyboard  text label
pushbutton:	"Submit"  keyboard

▼ Checks

**Keyboard**  
 Focusable element may be missing focus styling. [Learn more](#)

▼ Properties

name: "←"  
role: "pushbutton"  
▶ actions: [...]  
value: ""  
DOMNode: button#previous ⚙  
description: ""  
keyboardShortcut: ""  
childCount: 1  
indexInParent: 1  
state: { ... }



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Firstname

text leaf | "Lastname"

Contrast (large text): 1.71

Lastname

Submit

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Role	Name
pushbutton:	"↵"
statictext:	"↵"
pushbutton:	"Multiline editor mode →"
statictext:	"→"
text leaf:	"Firstname"
entry:	""
text leaf:	"Lastname"
entry:	""  Does not meet WCAG stand
pushbutton:	"Submit"

Checks

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 Focusable element may be missing focus styling. [Learn more](#)

Properties

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role: "pushbutton"

actions: [...]

value: ""

DOMNode: button#previous

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childCount: 1

indexInParent: 1



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Detect common accessibility problems.

text leaf | "Firstname"

Contrast (large text): 13.50 AAA ✓

Firstname

Lastname

Submit

Inspector Console Accessibility >> Accessibility

Turn Off Accessibility Features beta Check for issues: None

Role	Name
including:	Accessibility audits
▶ paragraph:	""
▼ form:	""
▼ text container:	""
text leaf:	"Firstname"
entry:	"" keyboard text label
▼ text container:	""
text leaf:	"Lastname"
entry:	"" keyboard text label
pushbutton:	"Submit" keyboard
▶ landmark:	""

▶ Checks

▼ Properties

name: "Lastname"

role: "text leaf"

▶ actions: []

value: ""

DOMNode: #text

description: ""

keyboardShortcut: ""

childCount: 0

indexInParent: 0

▶ states: [...]

▶ relations: {...}

▶ attributes: {...}



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Submit

Inspector Console Debugger >>

Search HTML

```
<section id="css-variables" class="hidden"></section>
<section id="track-changes" class="hidden"></section>
<section id="a11y" class="">
  <h2>Accessibility audits</h2>
  <p>
    Detect common accessibility problems.
  </p>
  <form action="#">
    <p>
      <subgrid>
        <span>Firstname</span>
        <input name="firstname">
      </p>
    <p></p>
    <p></p>
  </form>
</section>
```

html > body > main > section#a11y > form > p > span

Filter Styles :hov .cls +

```
box-sizing: border-box;
}
Inherited from p
#a11y form p {
  color: black;
}
Inherited from body
body {
  font-family: Inter, X-LocaleSpecific, sans-serif;
  color: var(--text-color);
}
Inherited from html
:root {
  --text-color: black;
  --background-color: white;
  --primary: #090F13;
  --secondary: #0A214D;
```





Coming  
soon



Firefox Profiler →

# Color blindness simulation

🔥 In the **Accessibility** panel pick a **simulation**

🦊 Contrast ratios are also calculated based on the simulated values

🔧 **This is fine?** **This is fine?** **This is fine?**

🔥 *Requires WebRender!* Which also allows it to be used against the whole browser window

The screenshot shows the Firefox DevTools Accessibility panel. At the top, there are tabs for Inspector, Console, and Accessibility. The Accessibility panel is active, showing a list of accessible elements. The first element is a static text element with the role 'statictext' and the name 'Firefox Profiler →'. It is highlighted in blue. Below it, there are three pushbutton elements with the role 'pushbutton' and the name 'This is fine?'. The first pushbutton is highlighted in red, the second in green, and the third in blue. The panel also shows a 'Checks' section with 'Color and Contrast' and 'Keyboard' checks. The 'Color and Contrast' check shows a contrast ratio of 3.98 AA, which is good for large text. The 'Keyboard' check shows a warning that clickable elements must be focusable and should have interactive semantics. The 'Properties' section shows the element's name, role, actions, value, DOMNode, and description.

Inspector Console Accessibility >> [ ] ... X

Turn Off Accessibility Features beta Check for issues: Keyboard ⚙

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▼ Checks

**Color and Contrast**

3.98 AA ✓ large text

Meets WCAG AA standards for accessible text. [Learn more](#)

**Keyboard**

⚠ Clickable elements must be focusable and should have interactive semantics. [Learn more](#)

▼ Properties

name: "→"

role: "statictext"

▶ actions: [...]

value: ""

DOMNode: ::after ⚙

description: ""

# Tools

- Close your eyes and try to navigate
- DevTools
  - ◆ Color Checks /Typograpgy
- JAWS, Orca, Voice Over.
- [Lighthouse](#)
- [Wave](#)
- [Tota1ly](#)
- Webhint.io
- My example:
  - ◆ 3 different OS + mobile => 4
  - ◆ 2 browsers + mobile => 3
  - ◆ Different Machines / Monitors



# Recommendations

- Stefan Judis' blog on [Accessibility](#) Resources
- [Firefox Developer Tools](#) Page for Community & Documentation
- FOSDEM talks :
  - ◆ Make it accessible - *Tips and tricks for create a good accessible frontend* [Gabriele Falasca](#)
  - ◆ 12:15 - Discover the New Firefox Profiler [Nazım Can Altınova](#)

Don't be the sheep!

Be the ~~wolf~~ fox!



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“Information should not be  
a privilege”

Una Kravets



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*“The power of the Web is in its universality.  
Access by everyone regardless of disability is an  
essential aspect.”*



Tim Berners-Lee,  
W3C Director and inventor  
of the World Wide Web