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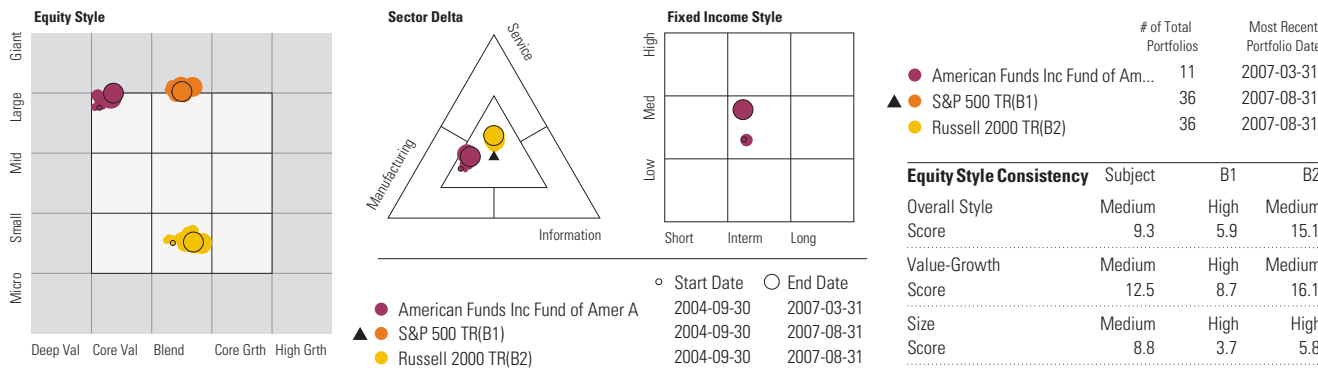
## Holdings-Based Style Consistency

Start Date  
2004-09-01

End Date  
2007-08-31

Morningstar Category  
US OE Moderate Allocation

## Style and Sector Trails



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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 Return %	+/- BM1	+/- BM2	Cat % 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	-3.87	-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

\* Rank date as of 2007-08-31

## 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	—	—	—
Alpha	-0.95	0.67	-0.15
Beta	0.65	0.57	0.57
R-Squared	91.60	90.57	90.56
Tracking Error	2.99	5.17	6.87
Information Ratio	-1.29	-0.60	-0.17
Excess Return	-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
Sortino 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.

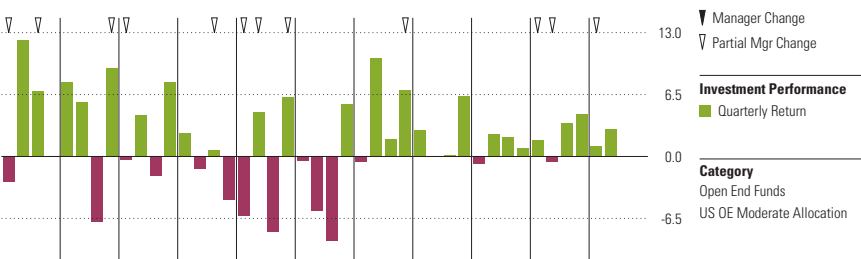
## Investment Strategy

The investment seeks capital growth and current income. The fund normally invests approximately 80% 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



## Holding Analysis as of 2007-06-30

1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	07-08	History
16.67	16.01	9.75	-2.30	-3.95	-9.76	19.39	1.58	4.54	9.36	3.25	Total Return %
-16.69	-12.57	-11.29	6.20	7.94	12.34	-9.30	-9.30	-4.37	-6.43	-1.95	+/- Benchmark 1
-5.69	18.56	-11.50	0.12	-6.44	10.73	-27.87	-8.95	-0.02	-9.01	1.83	+/- Benchmark 2
110.00	102.00	128.00	85.00	18.00	108.00	133.00	204.00	206.00	197.00	197.00	Turnover Ratio %
6	7	11	18	18	17	17	17	16	16	13	Share Class Assets (mil)
1.25	1.25	1.25	1.22	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15	Expense Ratio
62.15	56.87	60.12	58.82	57.84	56.91	57.63	53.35	56.90	48.86	46.93	Stock %
36.81	37.84	36.39	37.51	36.82	37.20	36.83	42.35	39.91	49.97	31.78	Bond %

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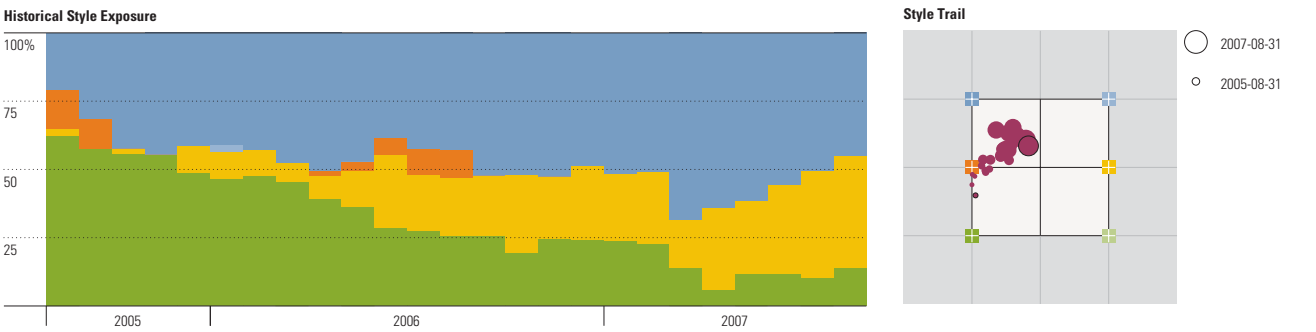
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## Returns-Based Style Analysis

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EUR

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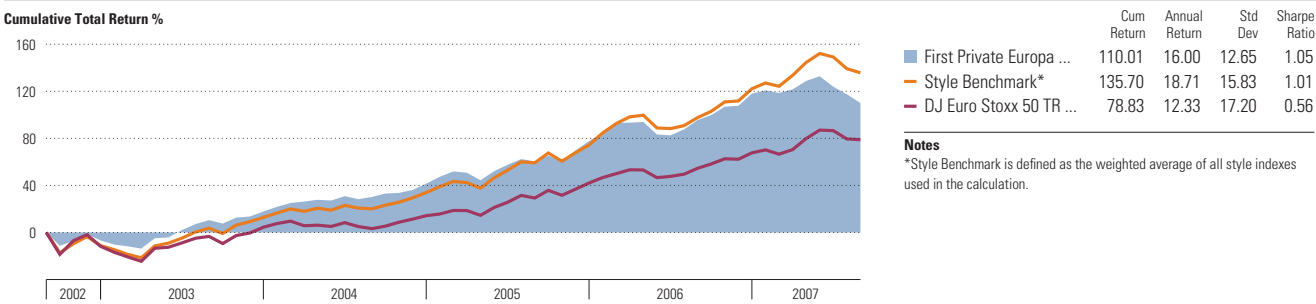
## Historical Asset Class/Style Exposures: 36 Month Rolling Window



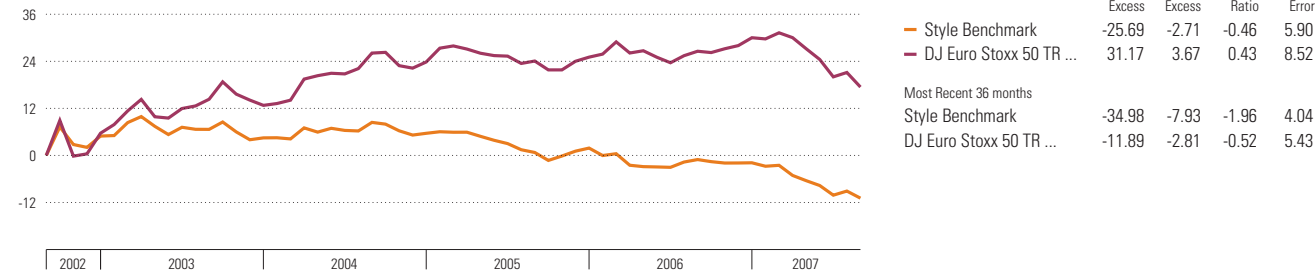
## Summary of Historical Exposures

	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 Md-Cap Val R	0.00	2.26	4.30	0.00	14.33
DJ EURO STOXX Style Md-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

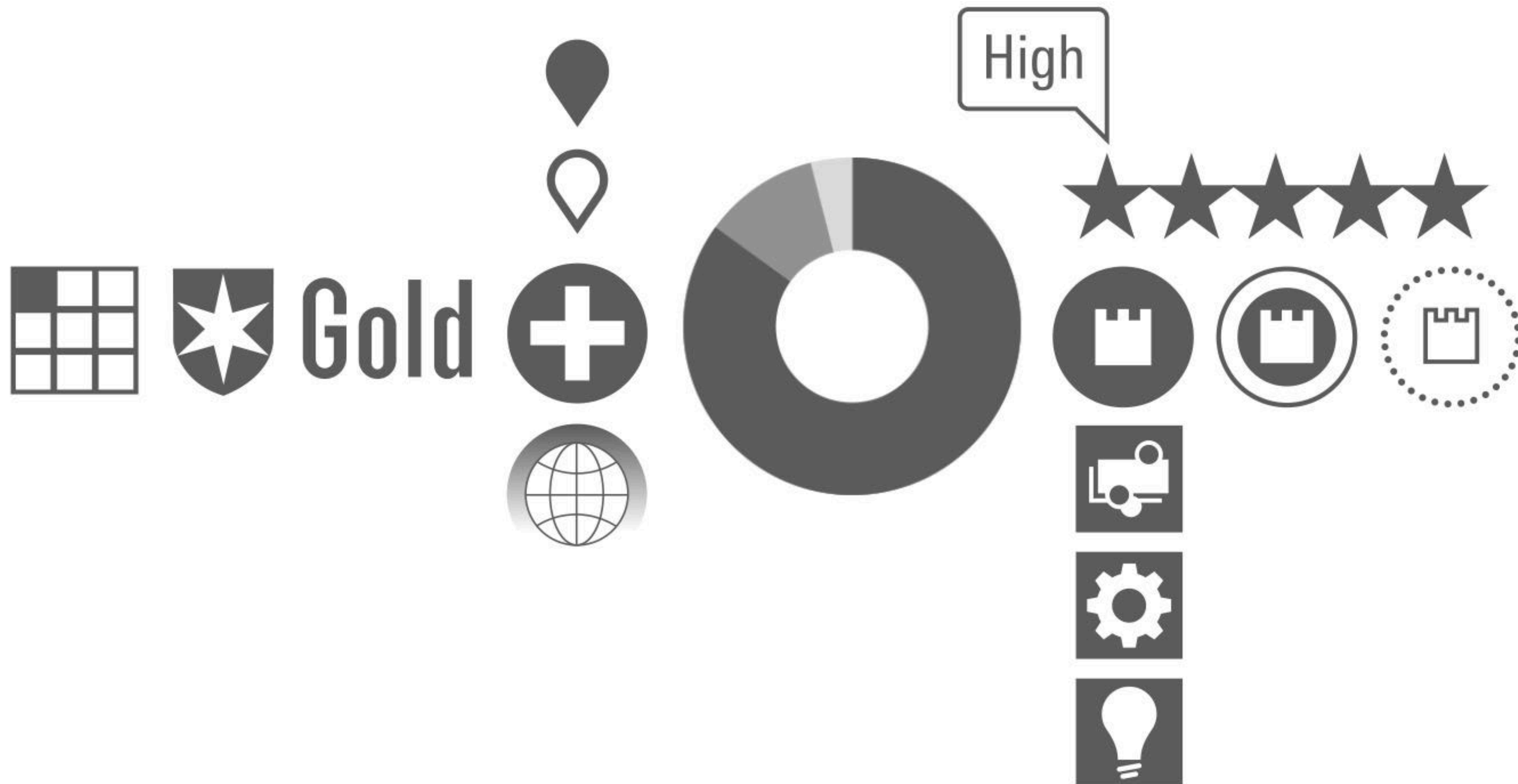


## Cumulative Excess Return % Relative to Benchmarks

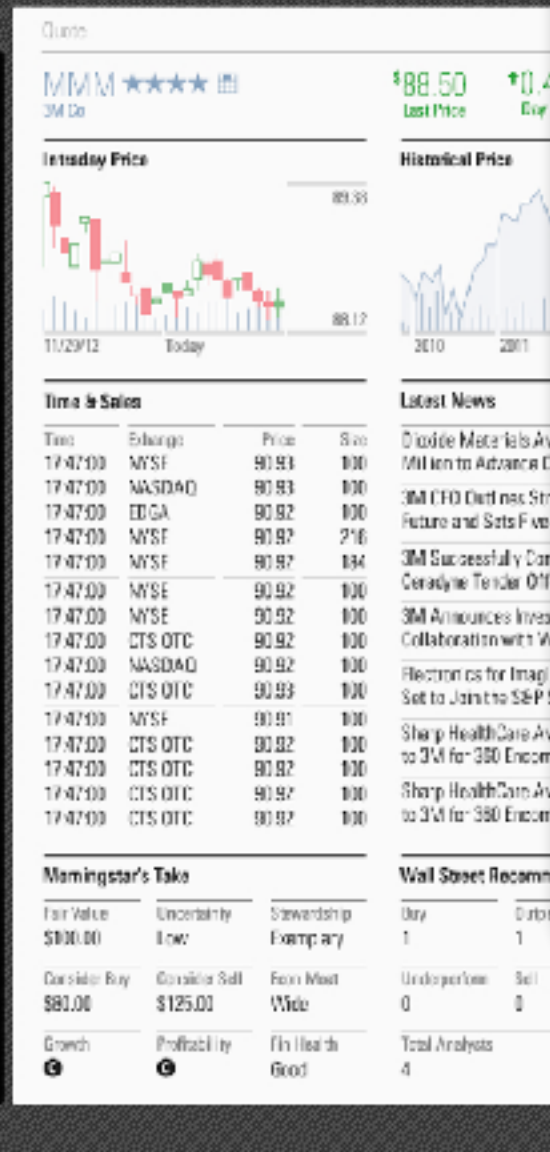


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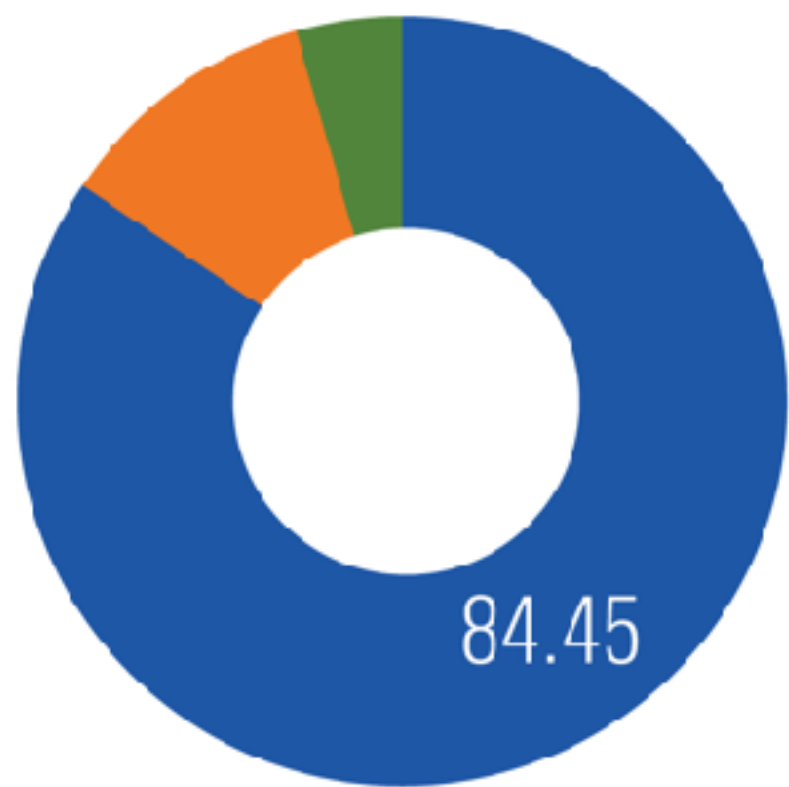


Symbol	Last	Change	Change %
<b>AAPL</b>	<b>716.20</b>	<b>5.24</b>	<b>1.00</b>
HPQ	7.94	0.07	0.07
SNE	8.28	-2.41	-0.25
<b>MSFT</b>	<b>16.22</b>	<b>5.39</b>	<b>16.23</b>
<b>GOOG</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>-0.36</b>	<b>-1.49</b>
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Return %	
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Total Ret. %	Nasdaq
Income %	
Digital Earnings	
Expense Ratio %	
Income Ratio %	
Growth Rate %	
Total Assets Incl.	
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%Rank	Growth of \$10,000
40	8,913
44	10,500
91	11,204
37	8,325
41	8,472
40	9,877
14	9,567
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Age Rat.	Mutual Cat.
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0-50	43
0-60	41
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Nygren believes his fund's 59 names boast a lot of A or B+ positions and share repurchases, acquisitions that are focused closely on tech, too, giving them acumen as capital Johnson & Johnson partly financed its drug infusion during the latter. Still, he doubts the efficacy of speculative gain versus has suffered just as he temes through in-class choice for	





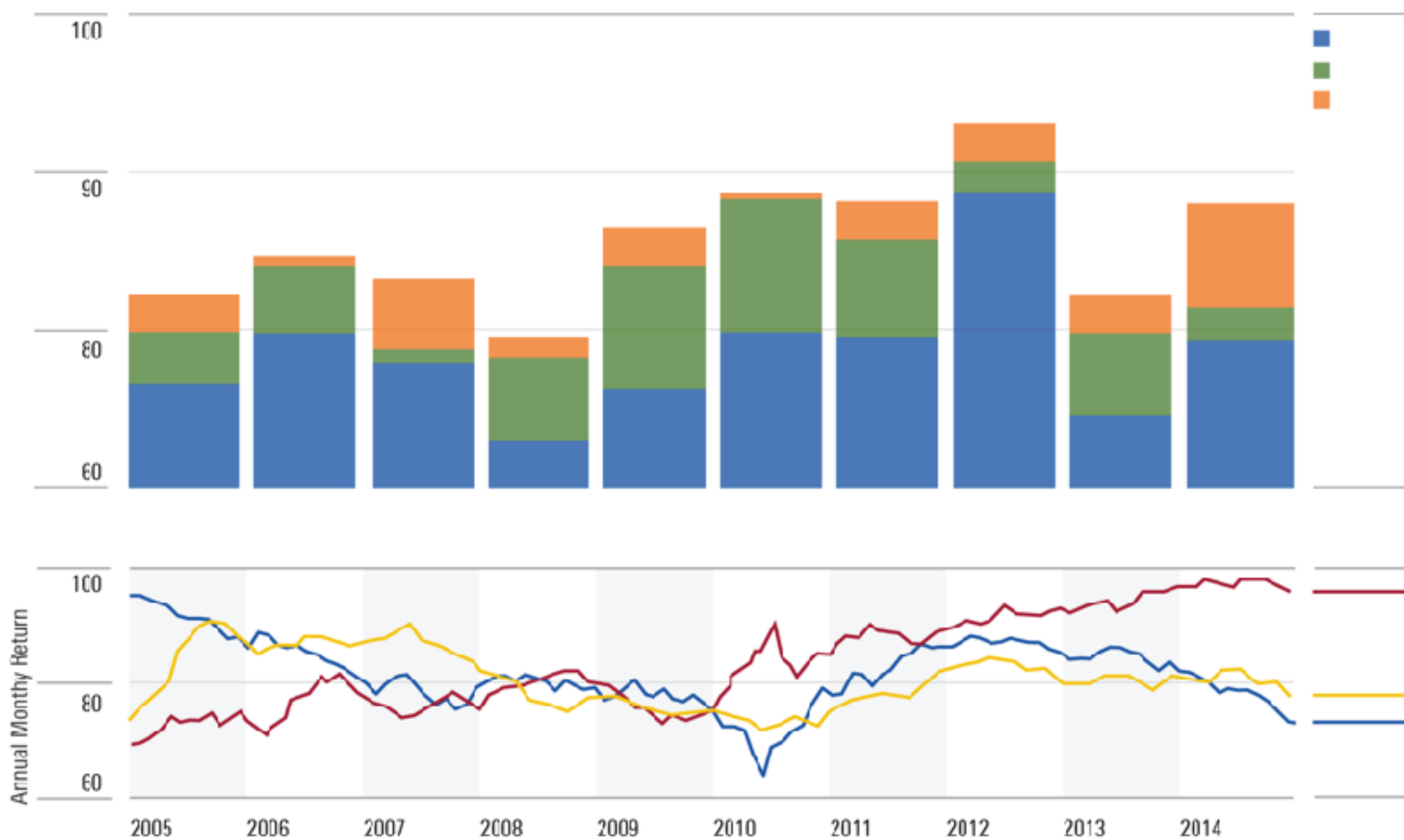
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6	15	43

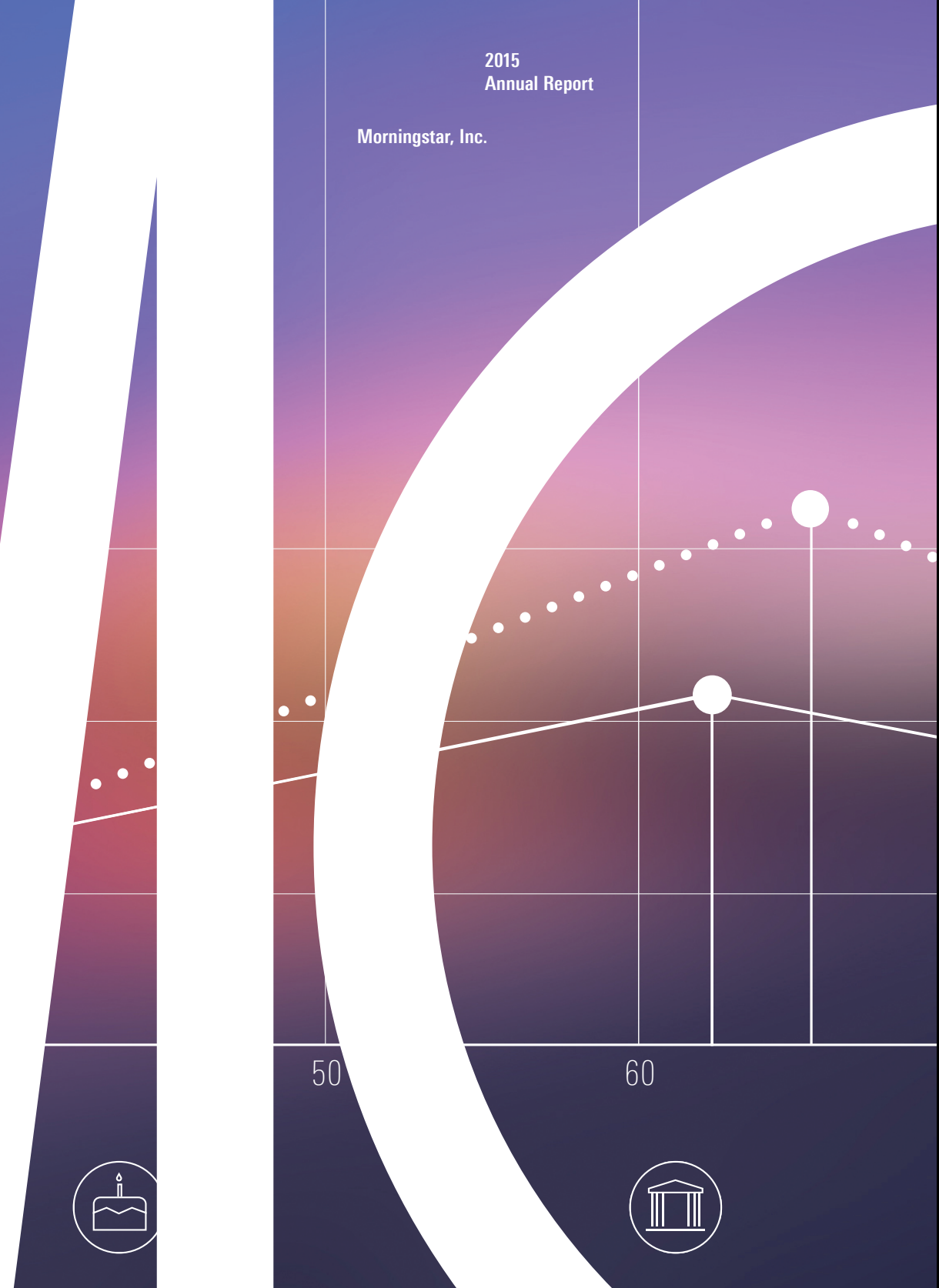


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## Fund News

### 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 Ivy 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 \$500 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.

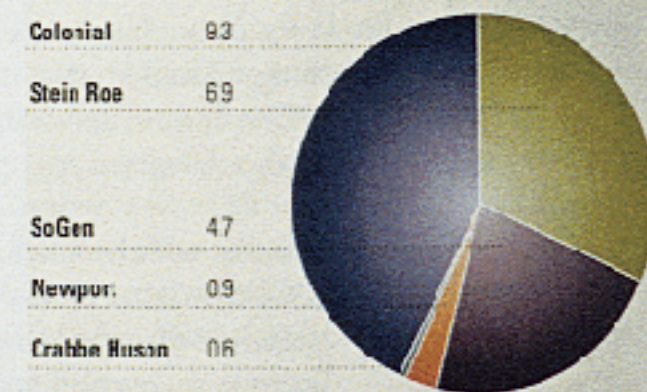
### Sold!

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
Cranthor-Russan	06



### Shaking the Tree

At Sequoia's annual shareholder meeting, comanager Richard Cumniff 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 Cumniff 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
Regent 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. Return 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	Barr Rosenberg Select Sector Market Neutral
Managers	Barr 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 Cessine
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. ■

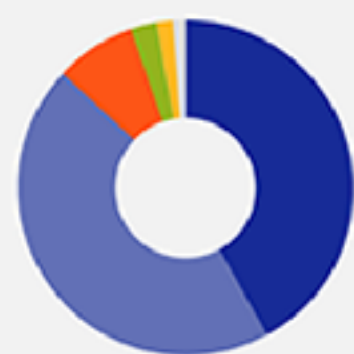


## Jane Doe | Discretionary

## Portfolio X-Ray

## Asset Allocation

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



## Stock Regions

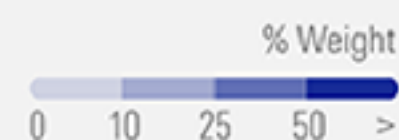
Americas	% Weight
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North America	33.43
Latin America	7.81



## Stock Sectors

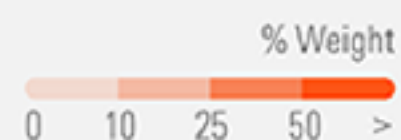
Cyclical		
43.32%		31.12%
	% Weight	Benchmark
Consumer Cyclical	32.87	10.66
Financial Services	4.94	15.23
Basic Materials	4.01	3.39
Real Estate	1.50	1.85

## Stock Style

Large Growth  
23.48%

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

## Fixed Income Style

Medium Extensive  
41.85%

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

## Stock Stats

Price/Prospective Earnings  
12.40

	Portfolio	Benchmark
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 &amp; Expenses

Potential Cap Gains Exposure  
1.14%

Avg Net Expense Ratio	\$18,728.81
Avg Gross Expense Ratio	\$10.00

Sensitive  
22.55%

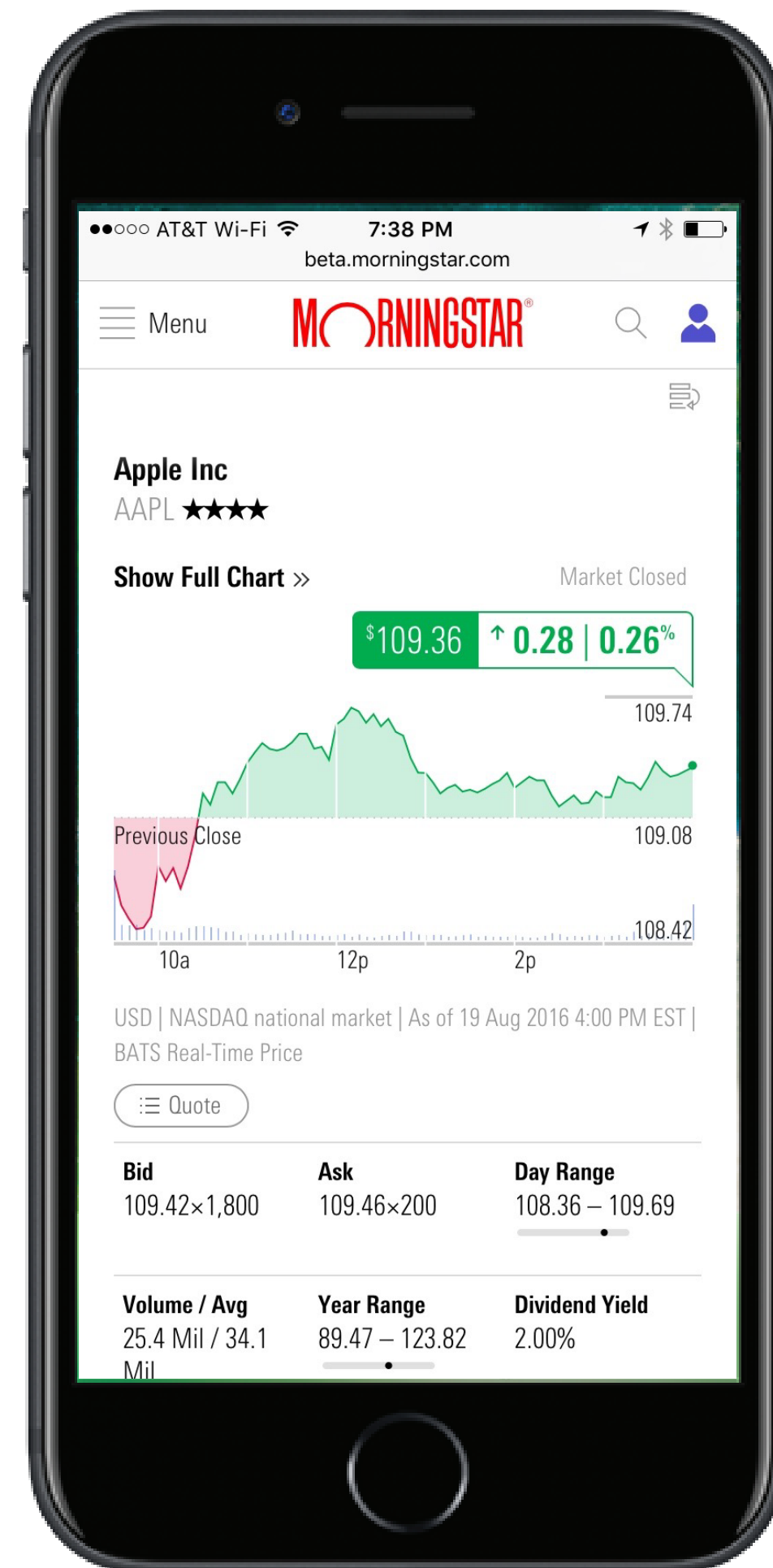
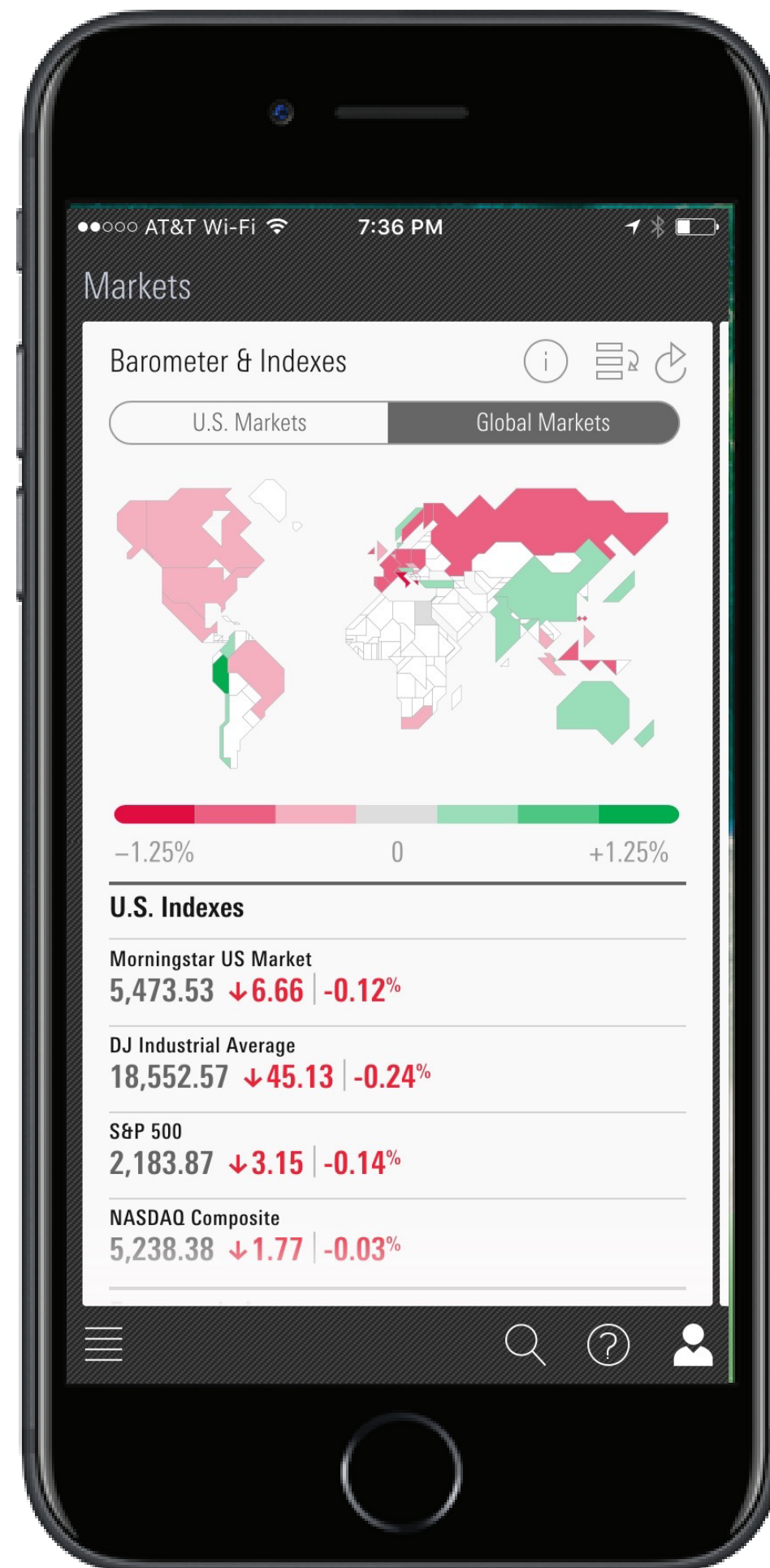
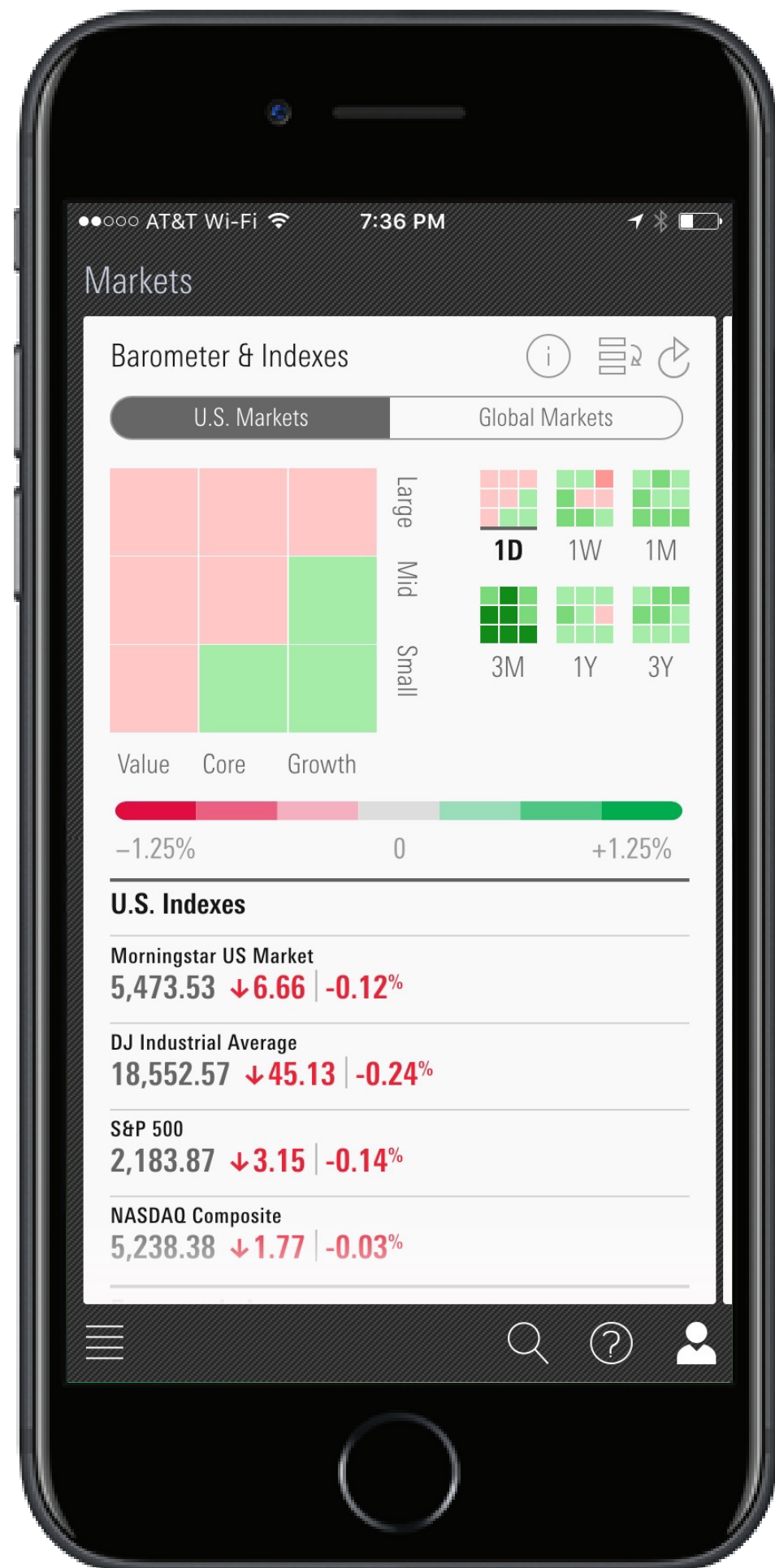
	% Weight	Benchmark
Technology	7.61	16.94
Industrials	5.68	11.35
Energy	2.50	10.12
Communication Services	0.99	3.97

Defensive  
39.91%

	% Weight	Benchmark
Consumer Defensive	37.00	10.21
Healthcare	2.42	13.22
Utilities	0.49	3.07

Not Classified: 0.00%



















**“Design has been a huge part of our success.  
It has transformed good products into great products  
and given us a distinctive edge over the competition.”**

—Joe Mansueto, founder and Chairman.



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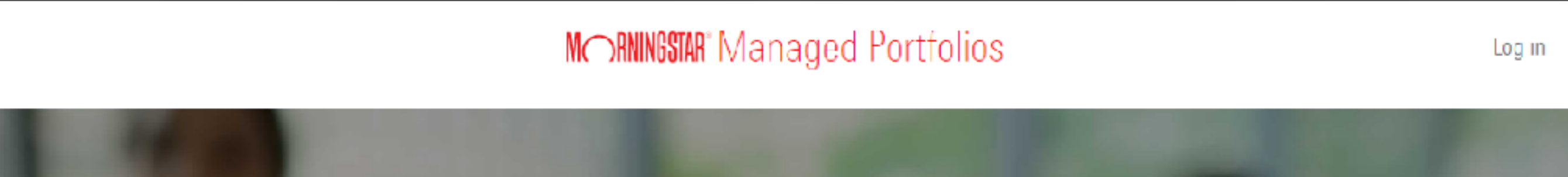
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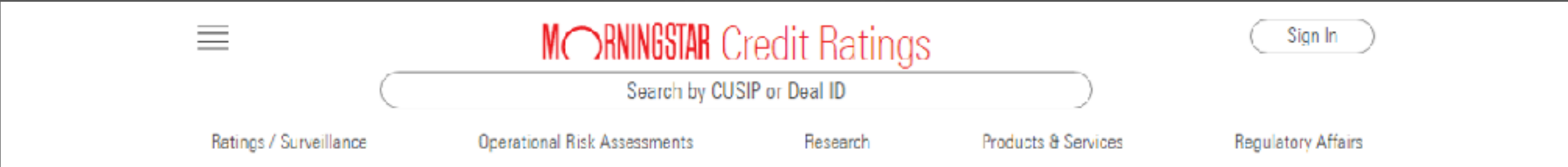
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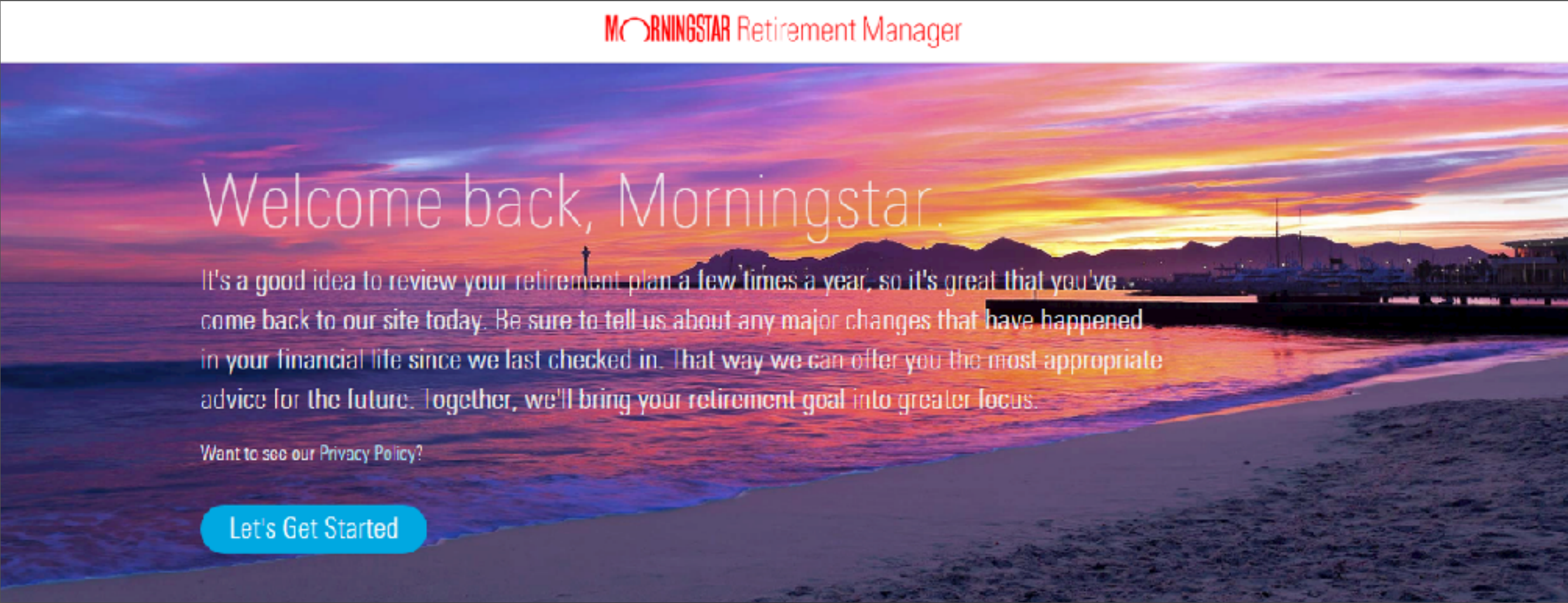
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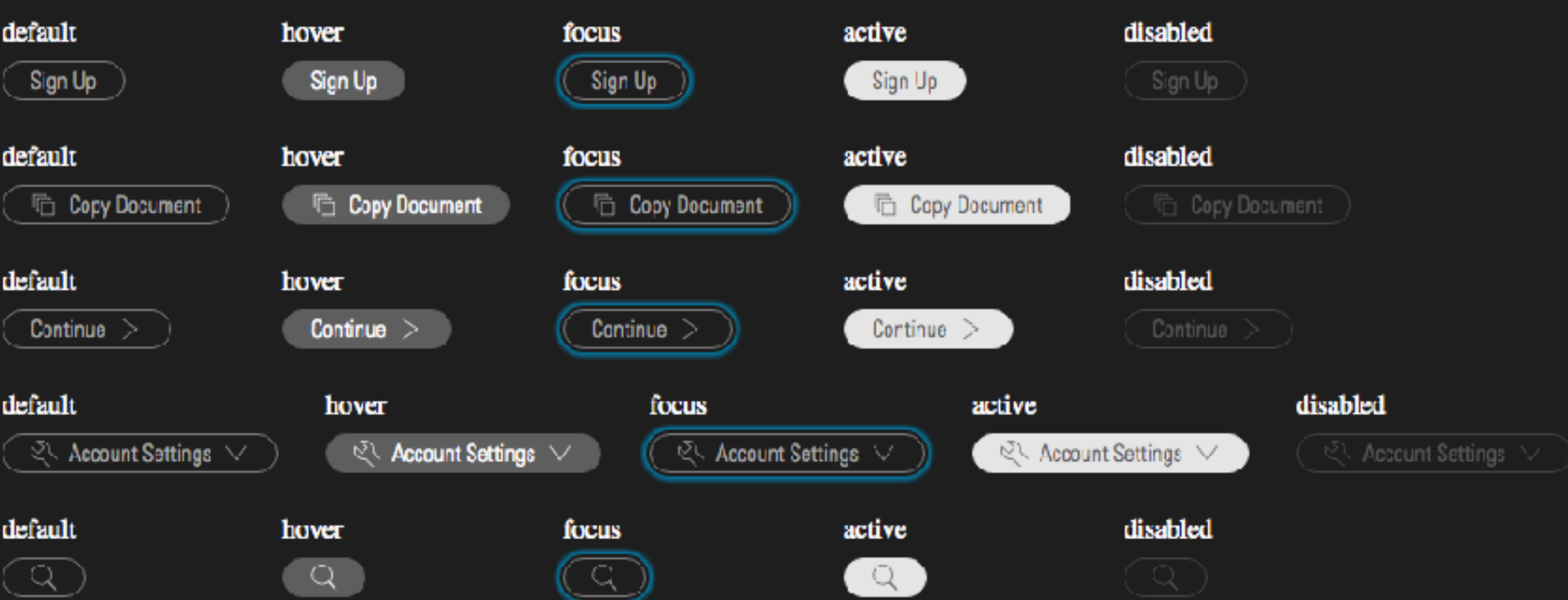
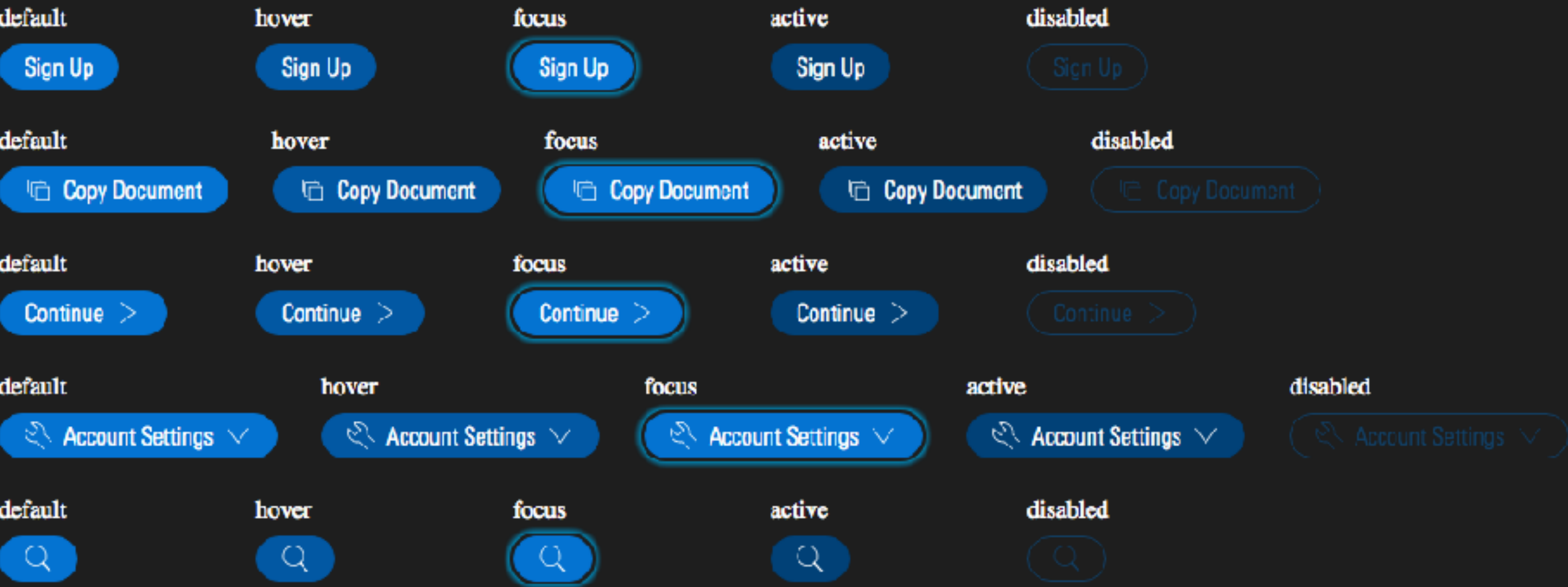


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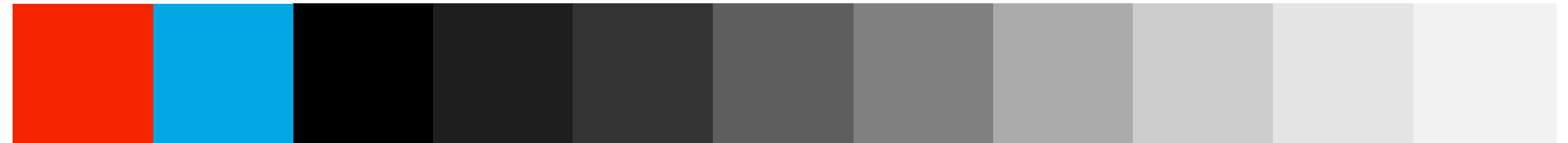
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product teams solve harder problems.

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# Visual Style

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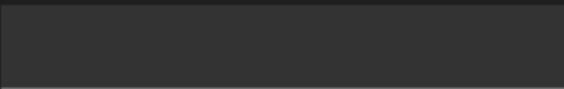


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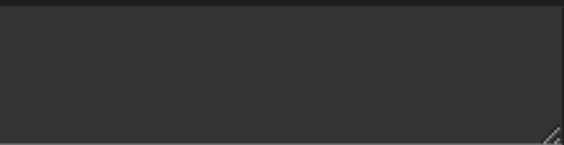
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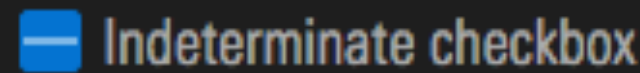
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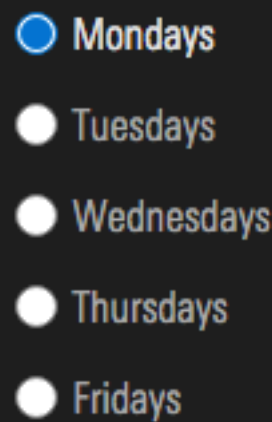
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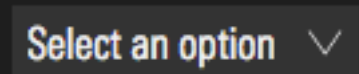
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Radio Buttons



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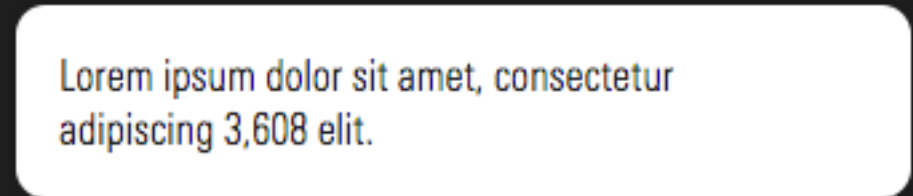
Microcopy

Your password must contain a letter, a number, and two emoticons

Range Slider



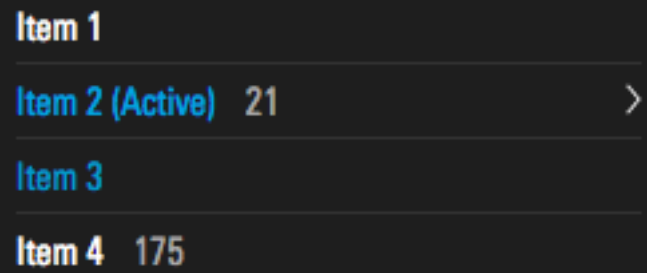
Notification



Pagination



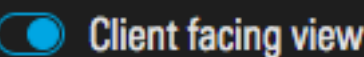
List Groups



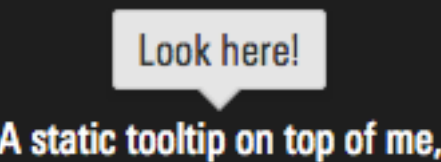
Data Tables

Ticker	Price(\$)	Selected Column	Content Test
<a href="#">FSHBX</a>	8.60	0	The fox jumps
<a href="#">HAINX</a>	60.32	-0.59	The fox jumps
<a href="#">HABDX</a>	11.47	0.44	The fox jumps

Switches



Tooltips



Done by v1.0

Popovers

Modals

Dialogs

Combo Box

Loaders

Dropdown



# Forms

Email (Optional)

If you provide your email address we'll send a receipt for your purchase

Best Time to Contact You? (Optional)

☒ Choose this one

☐ Choose this one

Street

City

State

ZIP

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

Street

City

State

ZIP

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Special Instructions for your order which you can provide right here this label is long to test wrapping behavior (Optional)

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# Code Documentation

ICON ON LEFT

Copy Document

Copy to Clipboard

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





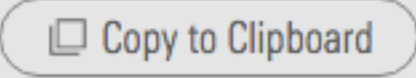


# Design Documentation


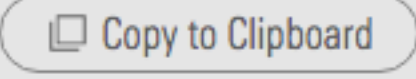
## Buttons

Use buttons to represent interactions throughout the experience.

### Primary

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

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

- 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

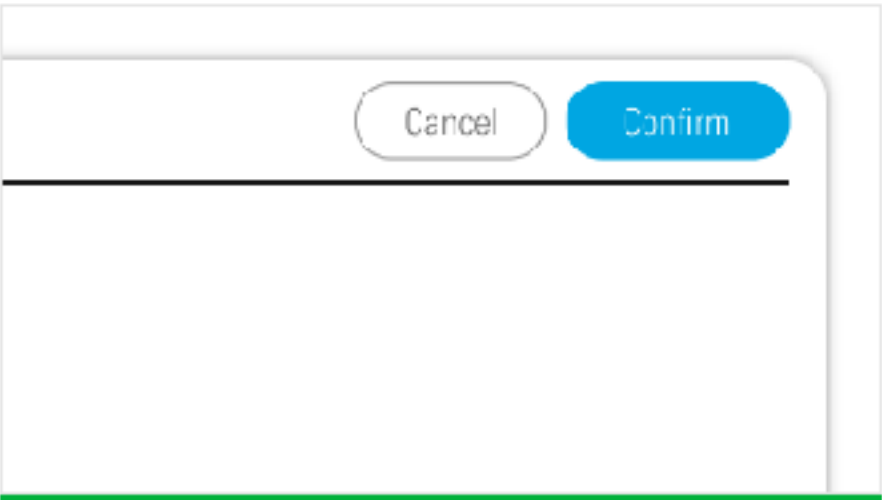
- Affording interaction to key behaviors and features.
- Confirming or submitting information entered into a form.
- Cancelling an action.
- Resetting a form or dataset.
- Closing a container or section.
- Opening a popover menu.
- Moving forward or backward through a wizard-type workflow.
- Creating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

### Don't Use When

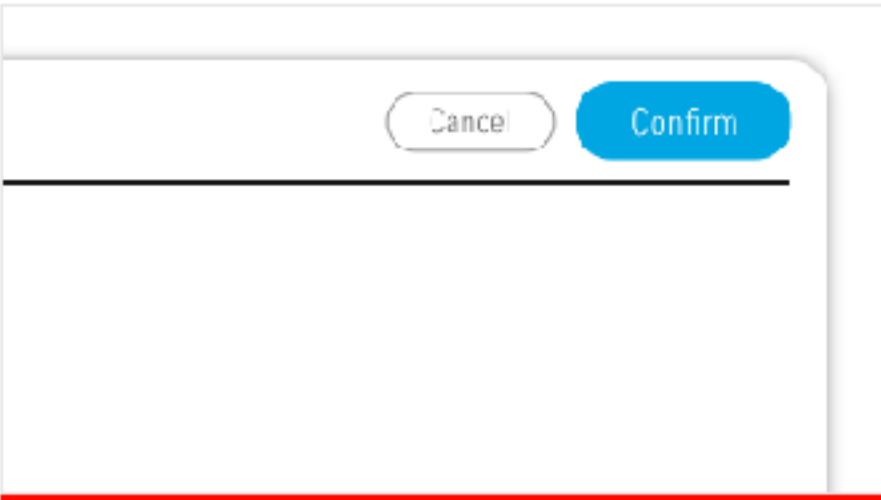
- Displaying a collection of links to sections. Use link instead.
- Linking to an external site. Use link instead.

### Visual Style

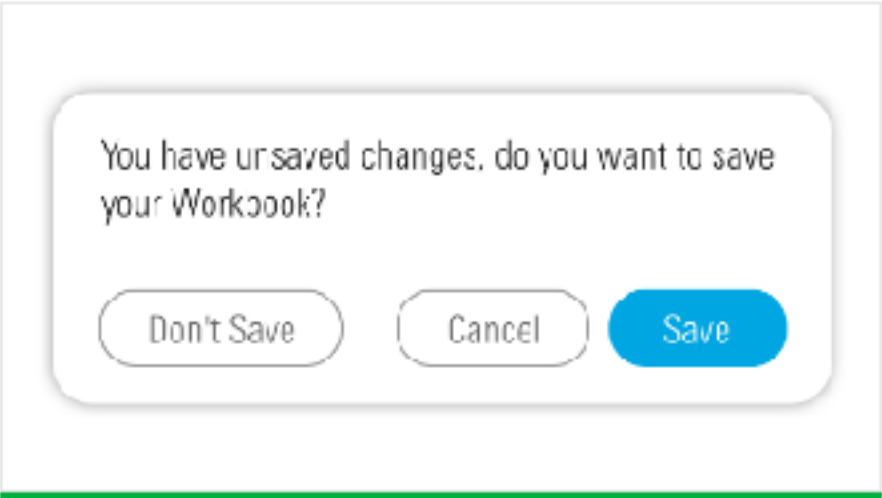
- Use an icon-only button when space is limited and the icon’s meaning is unambiguous.
- Pair a tooltip with an icon-only button to reveal a label of the action.
- Use only one primary button per page. The exception is when a modal header contains a primary button and the modal content also includes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



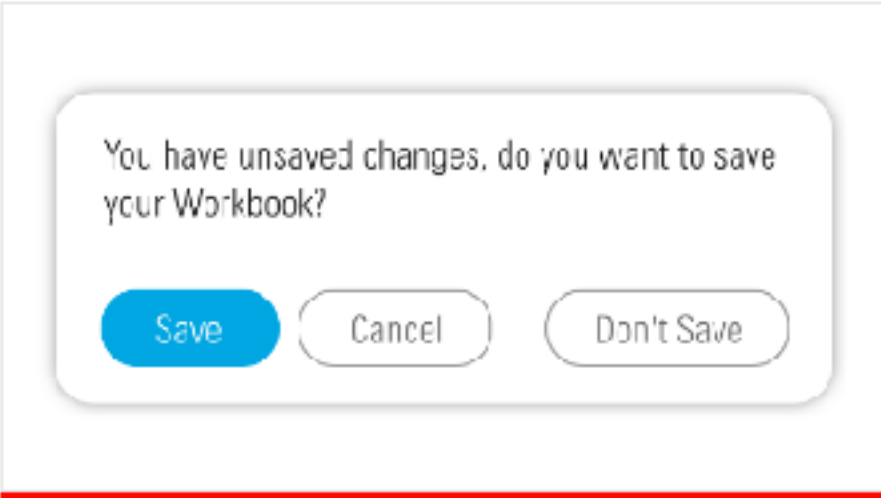
Do use the same button size for adjacent buttons.



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.

The background is a solid orange color. Overlaid on this are several thin, dark red lines. These lines include a horizontal line across the middle, a vertical line on the right side, and several large, sweeping curves that create a sense of dynamic movement and depth. The text is centered horizontally and vertically within the frame.

How we built our design system

# Building a Morningstar Design System, Over Time



**Previous Systems**

**Strategy**

**v1.0.0 Release**

**1.1.0 & Beyond**

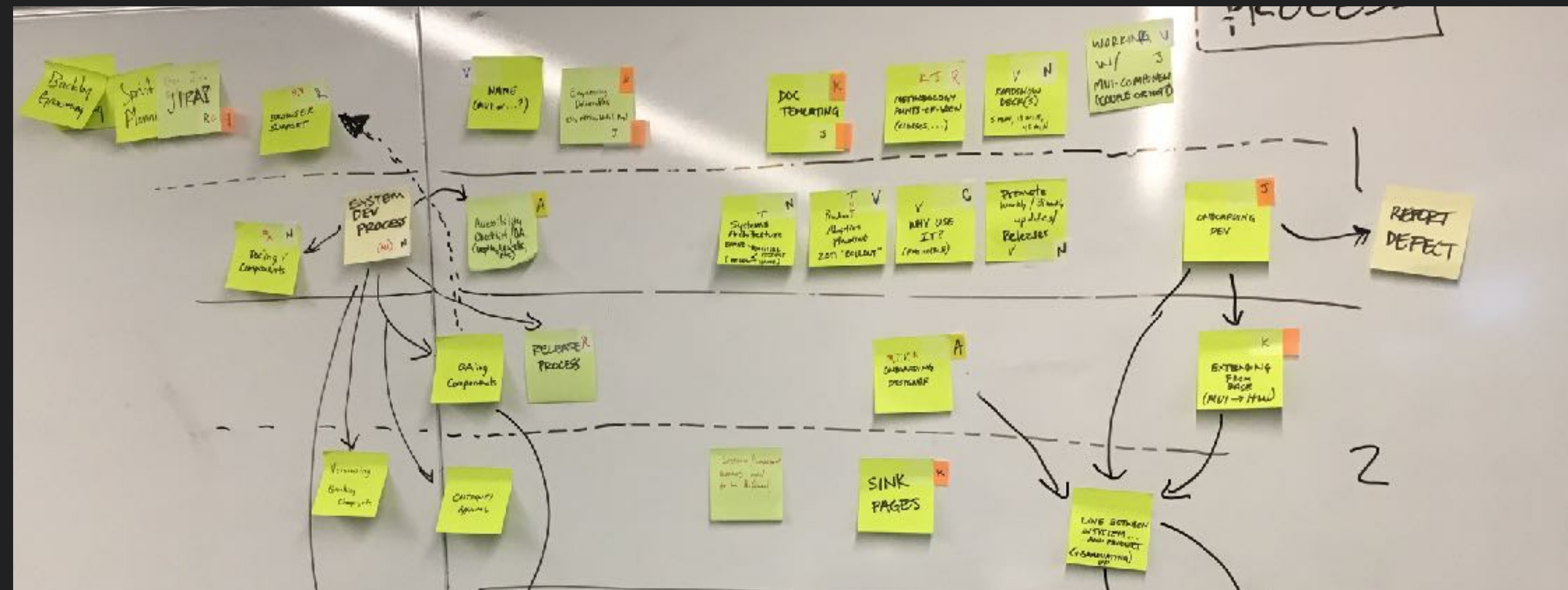
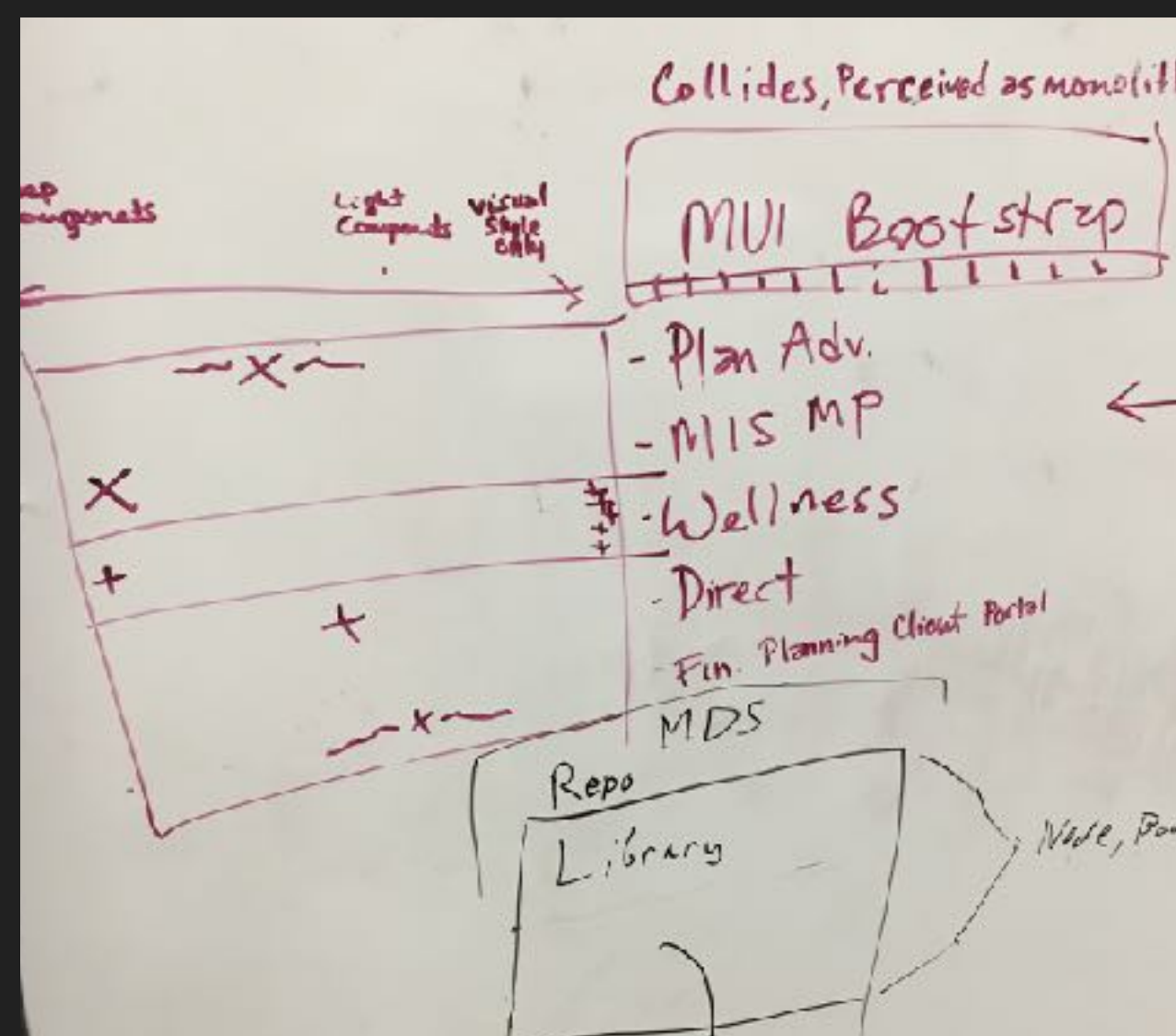
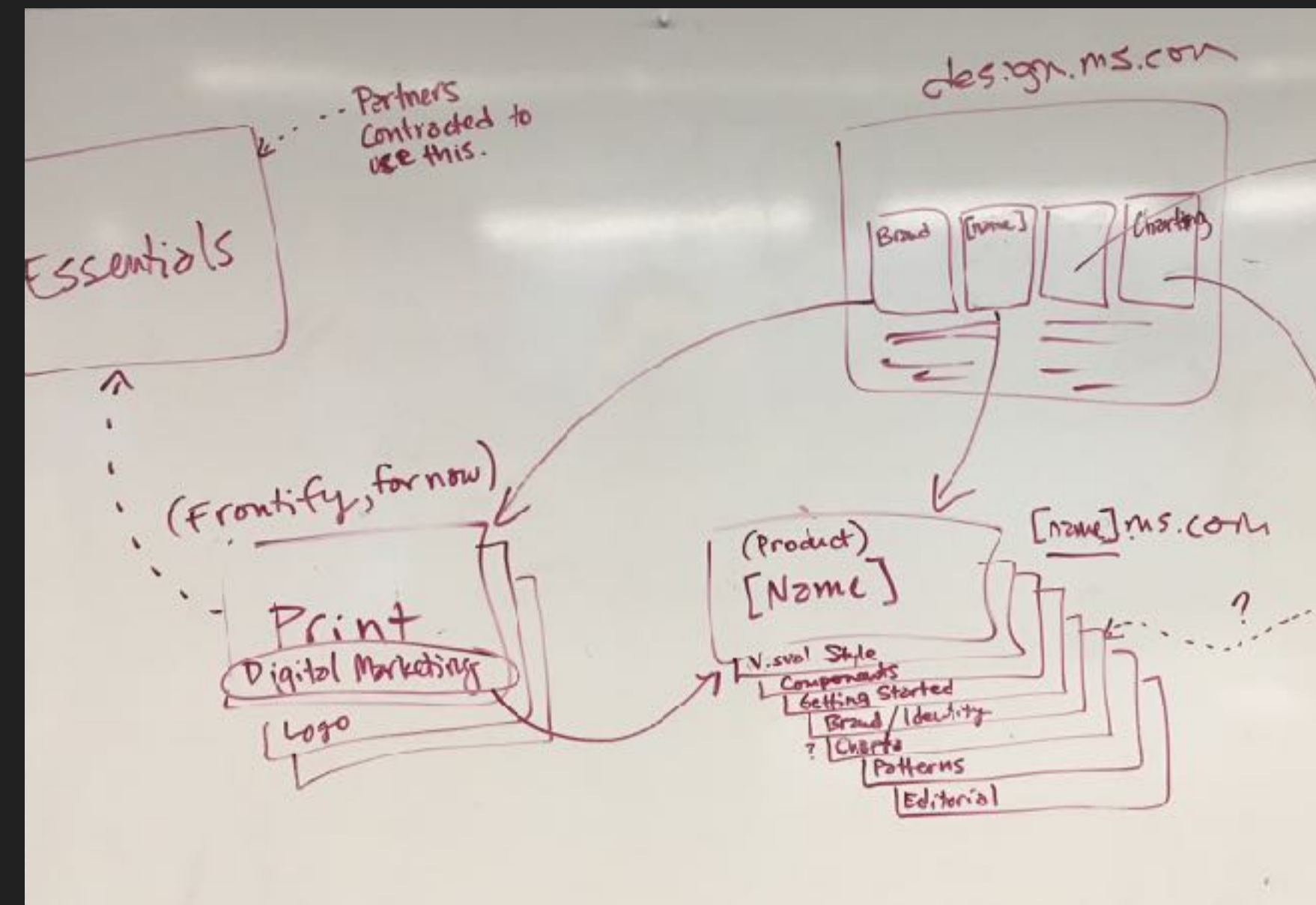
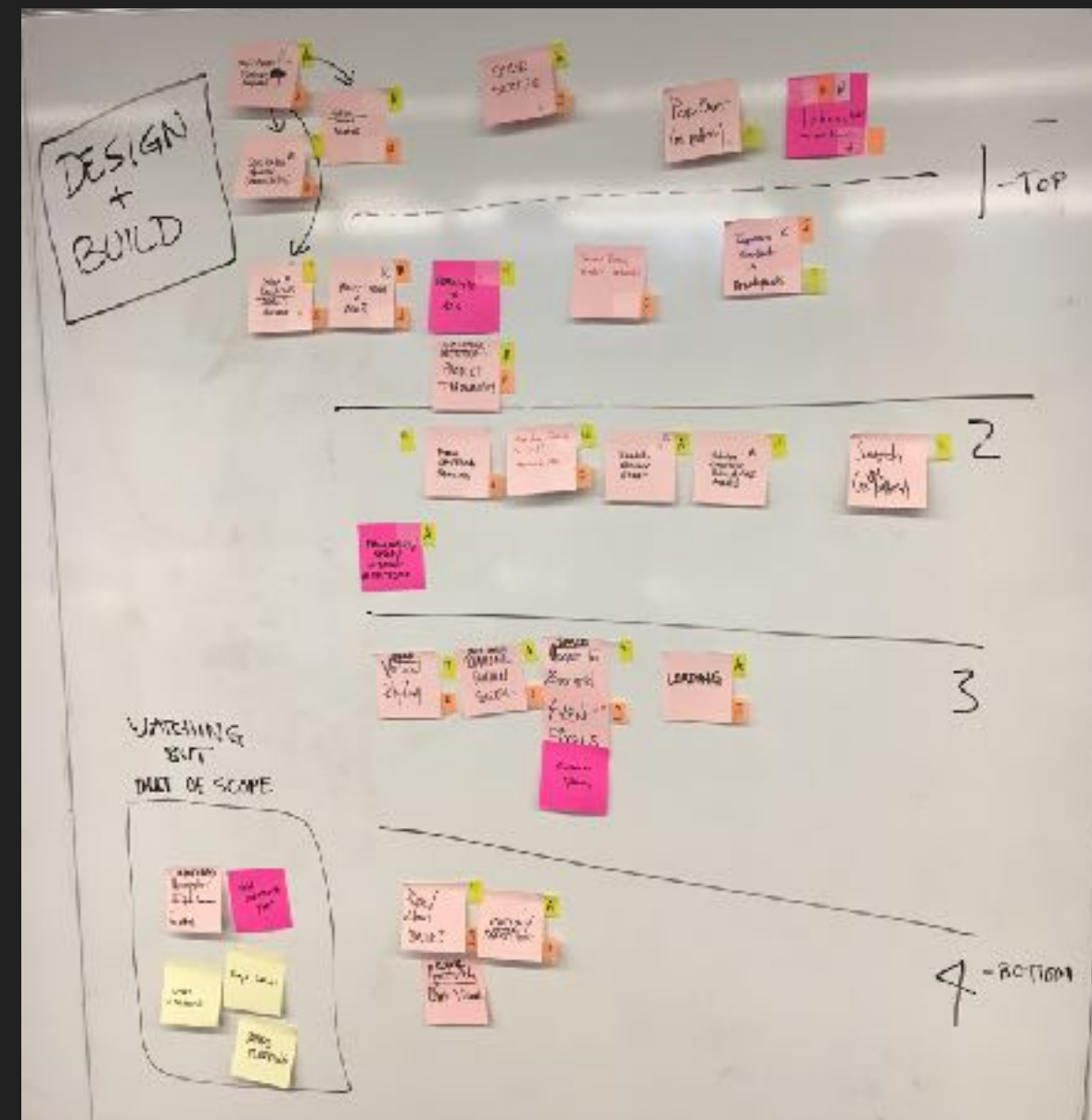
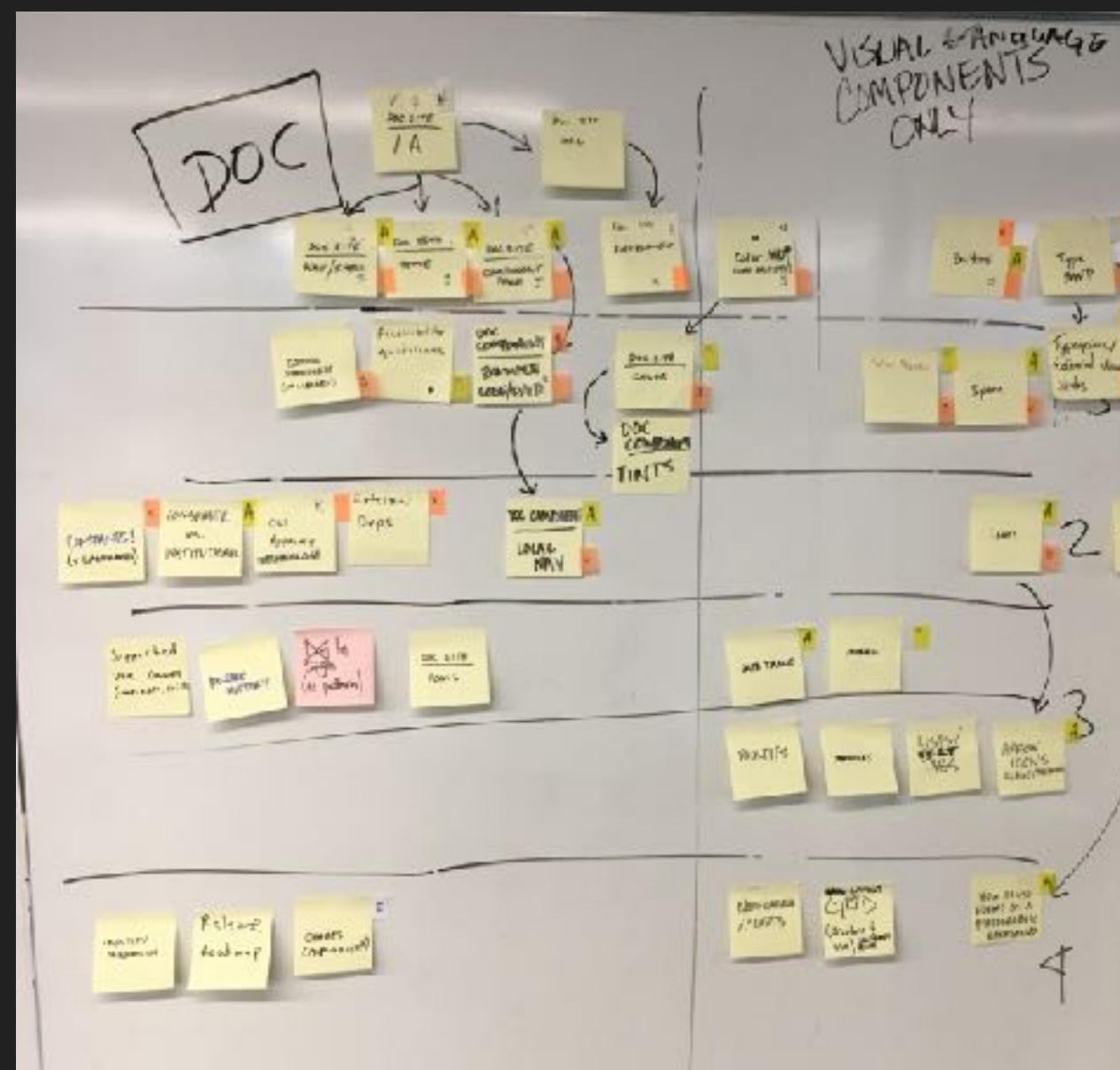
2016

2017

2018



# Workshops, Interviews & Planning



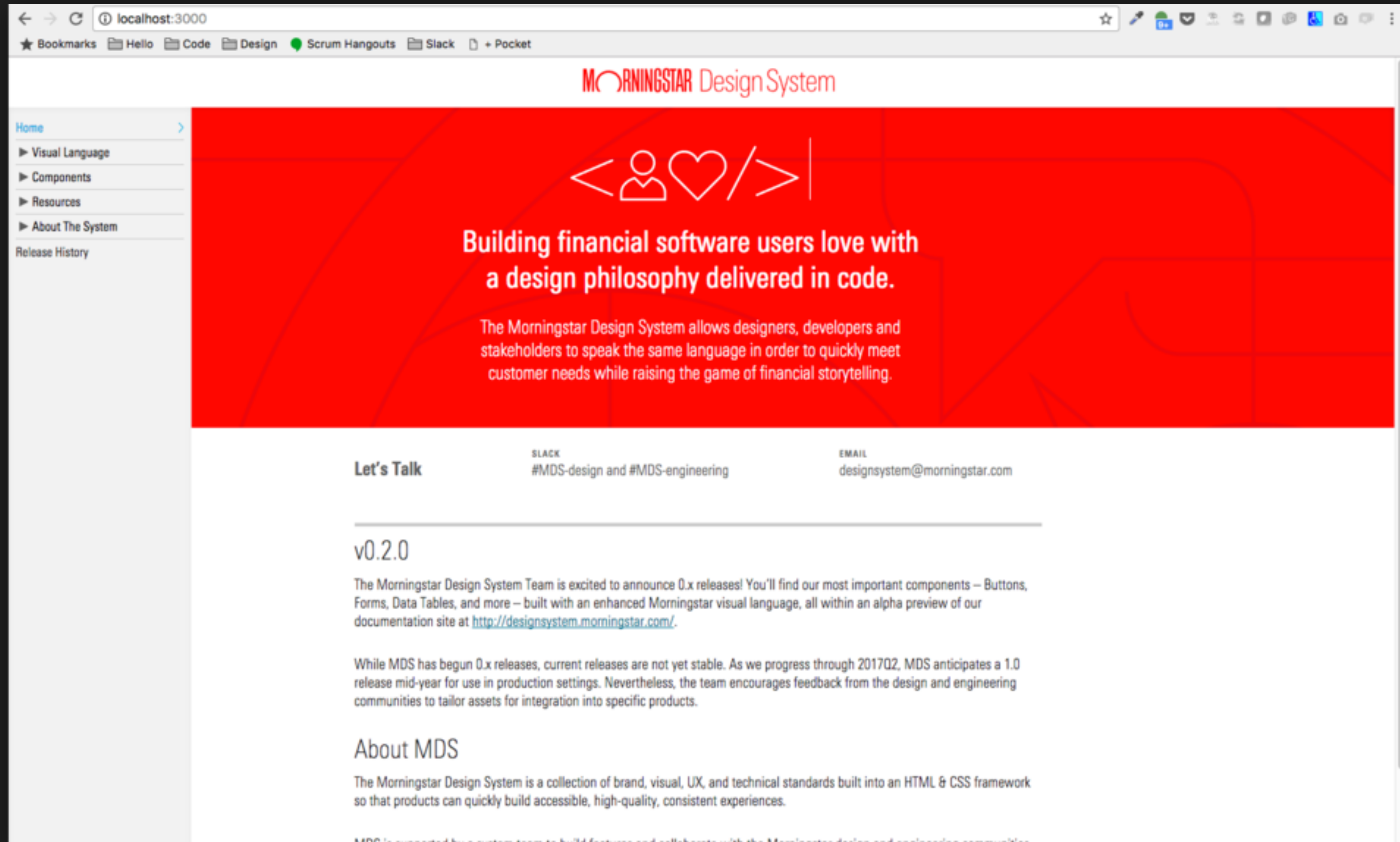


# Morningstar Design System Objectives

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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.

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# Strengthen visual style and UI component: V1 Release

## Visual Language Sections

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- 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

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- Errors

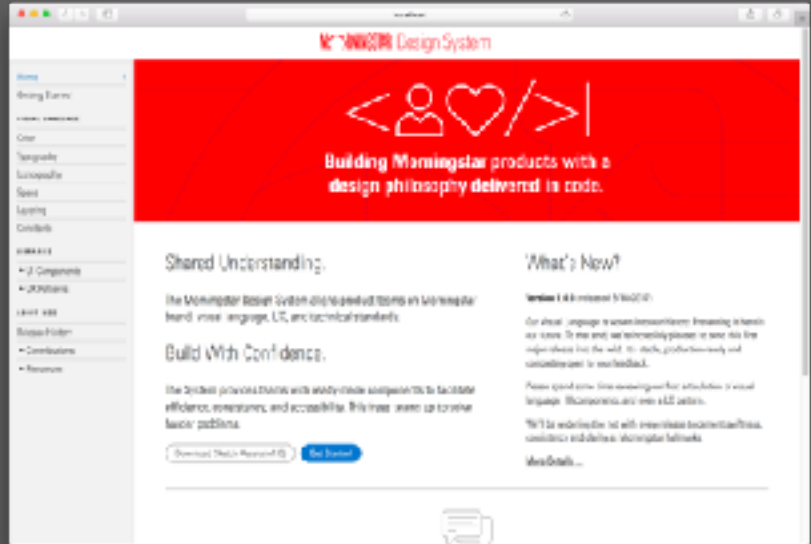
## System Doc Pages

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...”

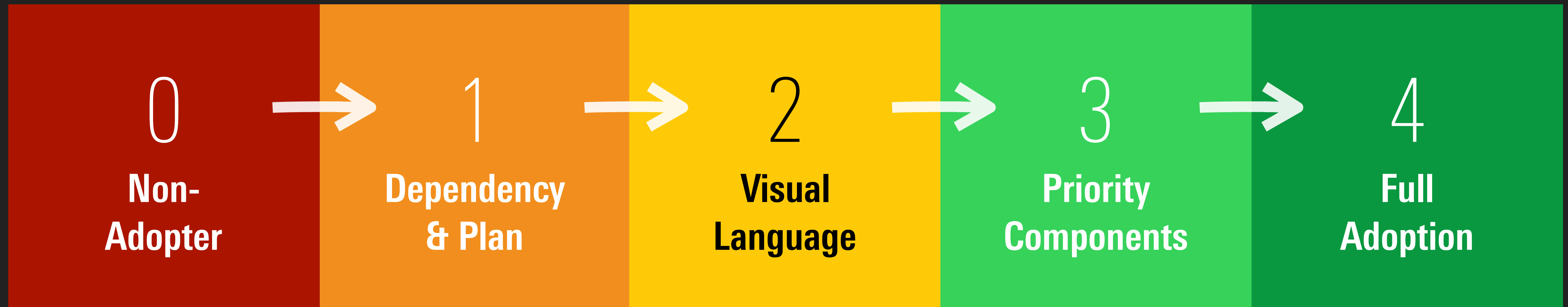


**Big Bang**  
(All at once)



**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	Marketing US	1	1	2	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Marketing
18	Marketing Canada	1	1	2	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Marketing
19	Marketing UK	0	0	0	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Marketing
20	Marketing APAC	0	0	0	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Marketing
21	Marketing EMEA	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Marketing
22	Product Development	Never	Never	Never	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
23	Product Development	4	4	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
24	Product Development	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
25	Product Development	1	2	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
26	Product Development	1	2	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
27	Product Development	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
28	Product Development	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
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30	Product Development	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
31	Product Development	1	2	3	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
32	Product Development	4	4	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
33	Product Development	0	1	3	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
34	Product Development	0	3	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
35	Product Development	1	2	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
36	Product Development	0	1	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
37	Product Development	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
38	Product Development	Never	Never	Never	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
39	Product Development	Never	Never	Never	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
40	Product Development	4	4	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
41	Product Development	4	4	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
	Product Development	4	4	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
	Product Development	3	4	4	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
	Product Development	Never	Never	Never	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
45	Product Development	2 - 4?	4?	4?	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development
46	Product Development	12	22	22	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	John Doe	Product Development

60+ rows!







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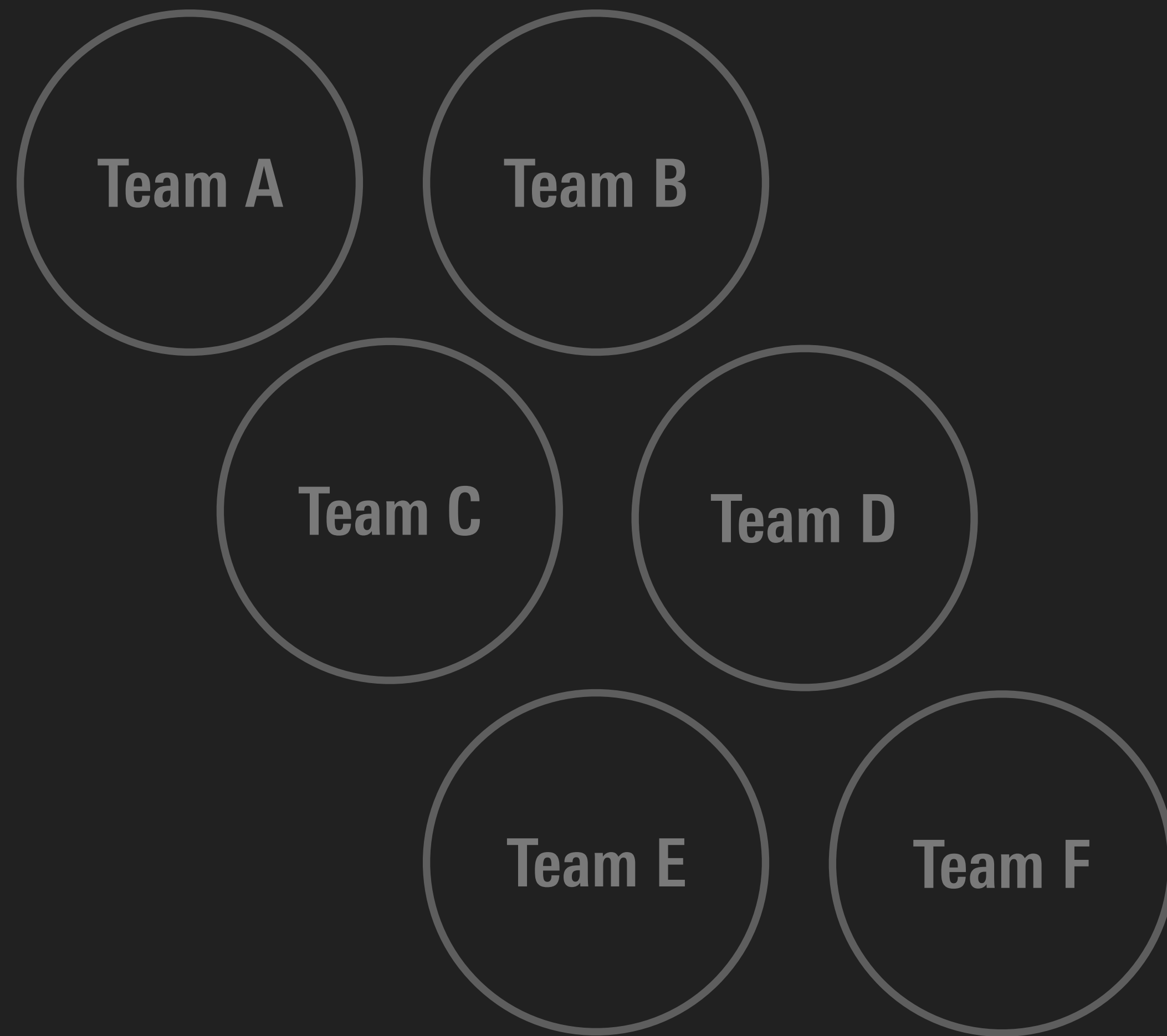
What is included?



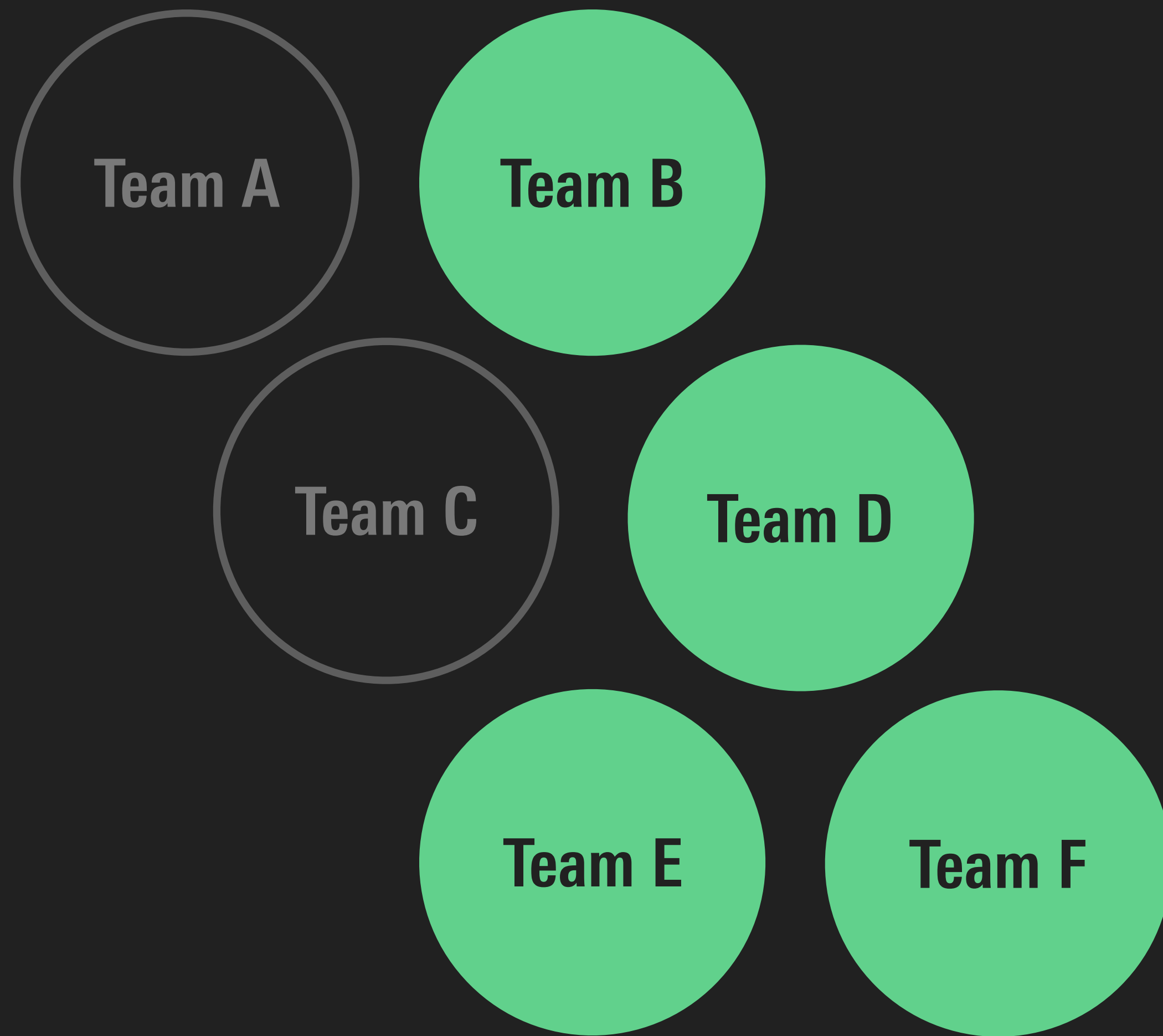
**“Include what’s shared, omit what’s not.”**

# Adding new components to the MDS library

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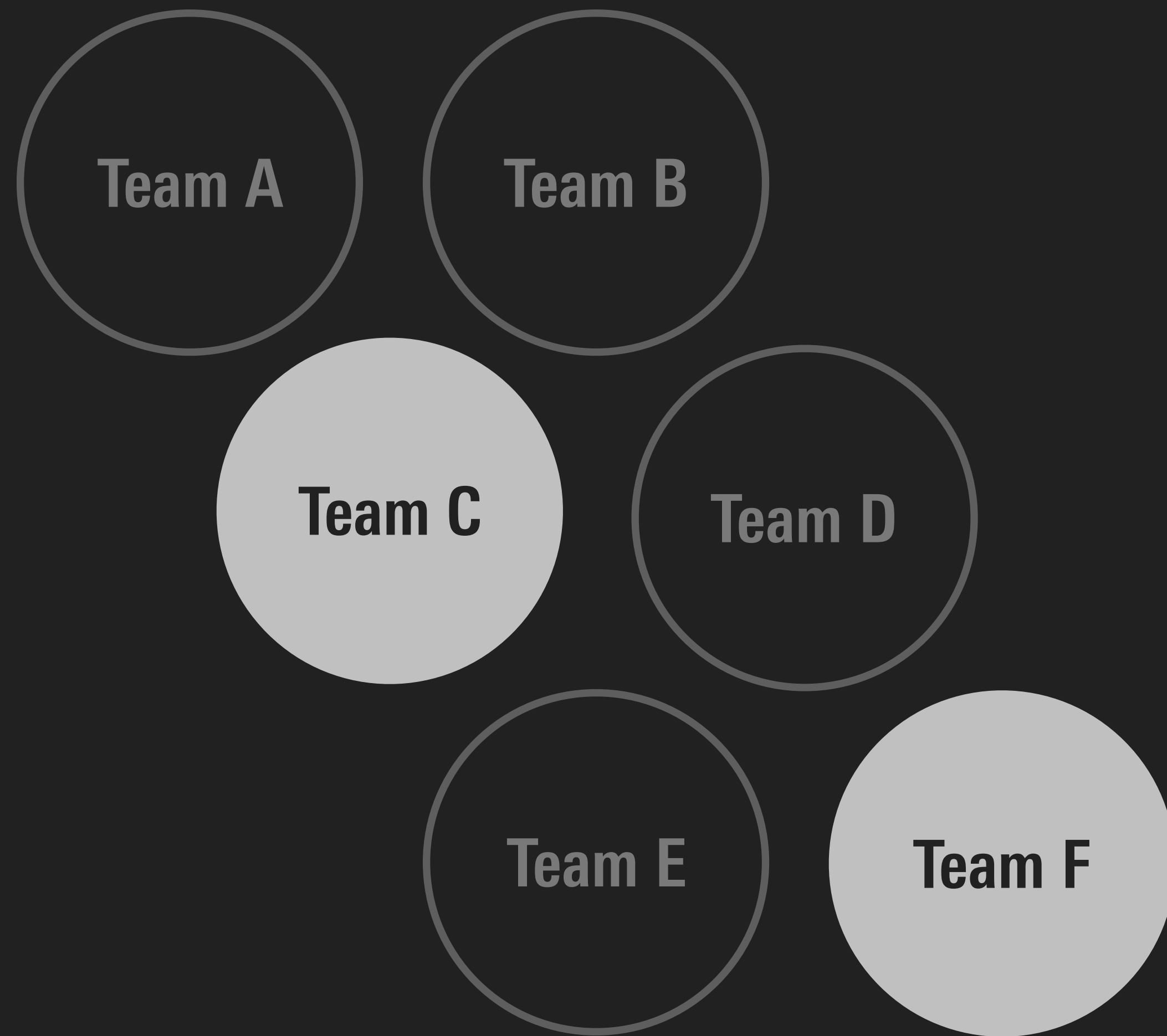


# Adding new components to the MDS library



Consider adding a new component

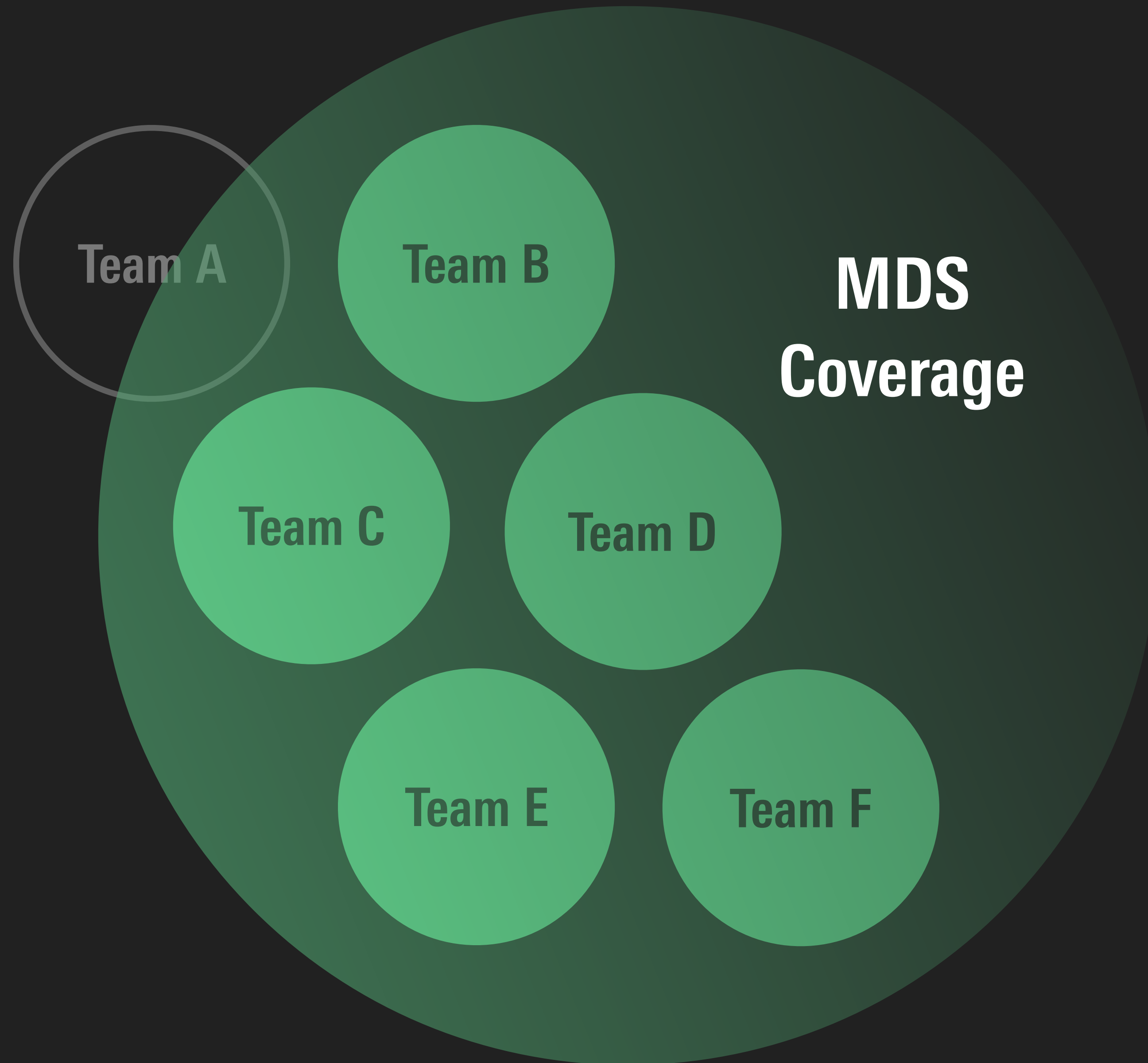
# Adding new components to the MDS library



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!

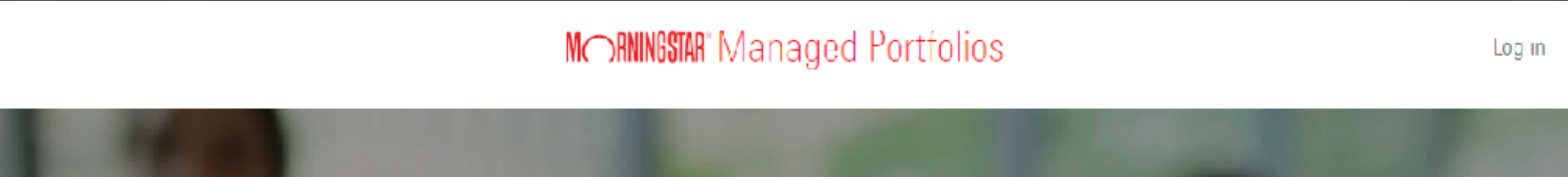


 Menu

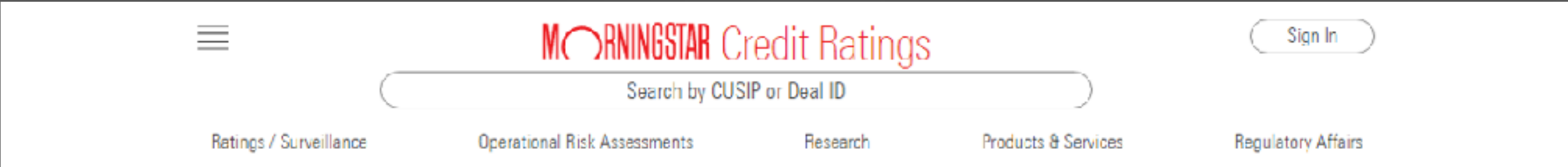


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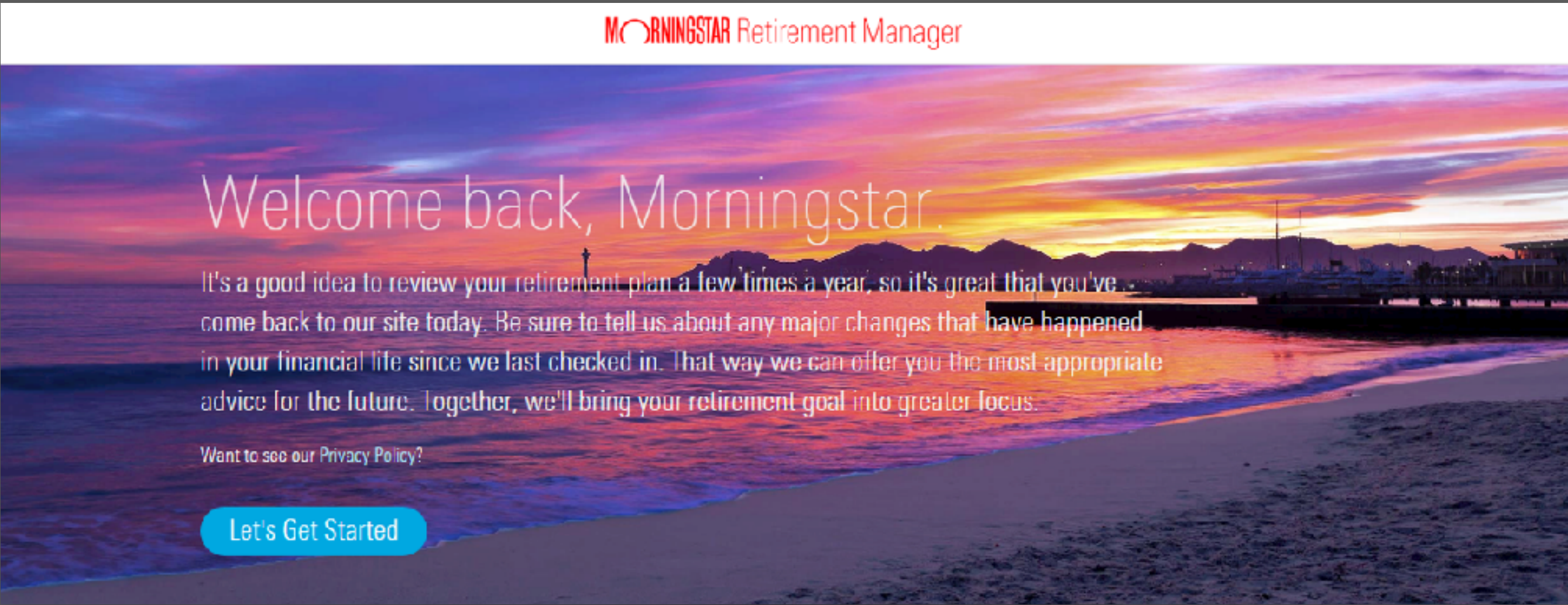
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<link href="/css/app.min.css" rel="stylesheet">
<link href="/css/print.min.css" media="print" rel="stylesheet">
```



```
<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">
```



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



```
<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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The background features a solid orange field with several thick, wavy red lines that create a sense of movement and depth. A thin, light-colored grid is visible in the upper right corner, adding a geometric element to the organic shapes.

So, that process?

# 5 Phase Process



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

**BY**  
**Designer**

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

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

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

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

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

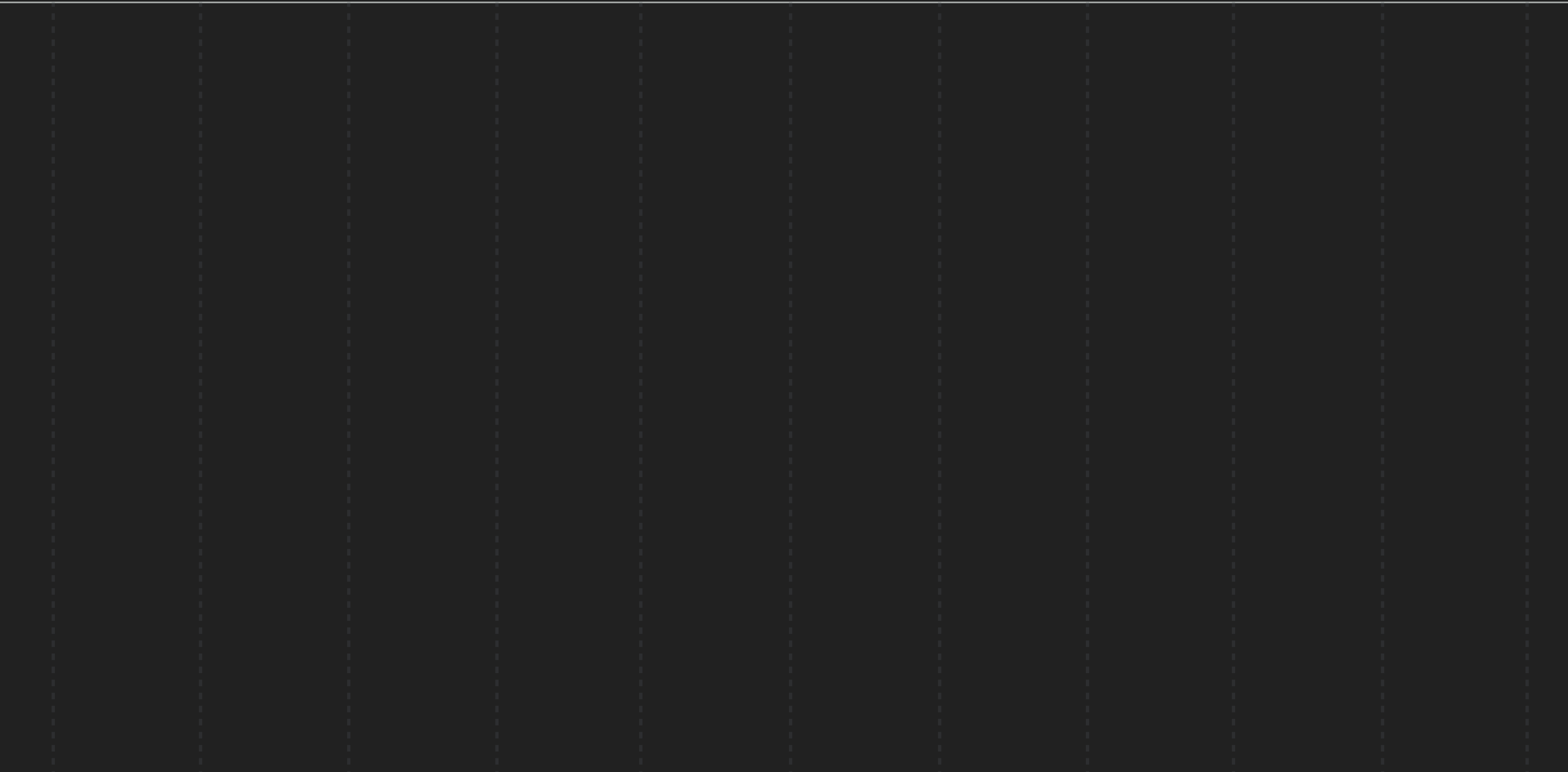
**USING**  
**HTML, CSS**

**USING**  
**Word Online**

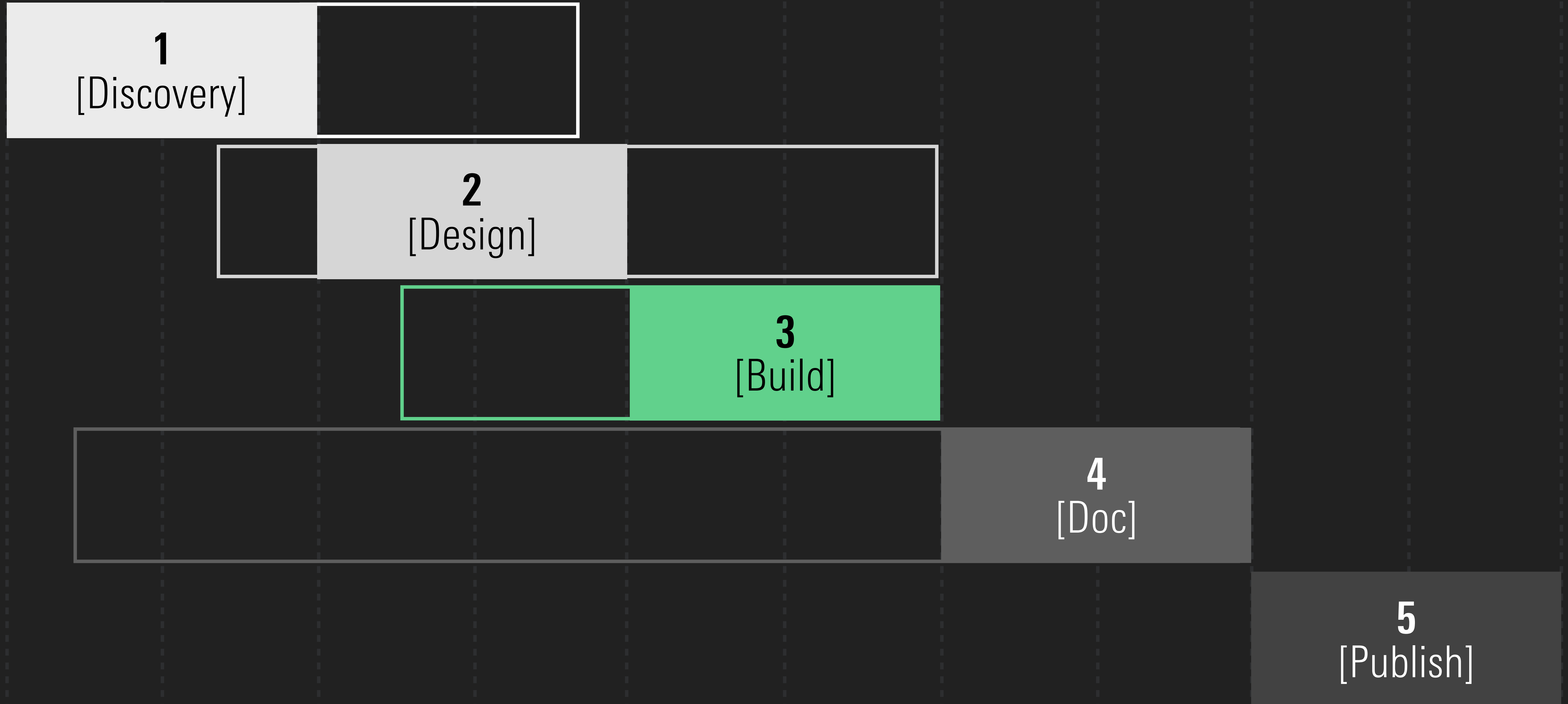
**USING**  
**Publishing tools and**  
**system templates**



# 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				
SAL / Morningstar Reports				

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Corporate / Financial Inst.

Ratings Actions

Methodologies

Delinquency Report

The delinquency rate increased up to 3.19%, its highest since December 2015, as the delinquent UPB rose 3.1% from while the balance of the universe of securitized commercial mortgages declined. While the delinquency rate could inch...

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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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# Surveys and Interviews to Gather Requirements

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# Create a Template and Start Documentation Early

The screenshot shows a Google Docs interface with a template titled "MDS-70 Component Doc Template". The document is in "Droid Sans" font, size 30, with a heading of "Heading 1". The content is structured as follows:

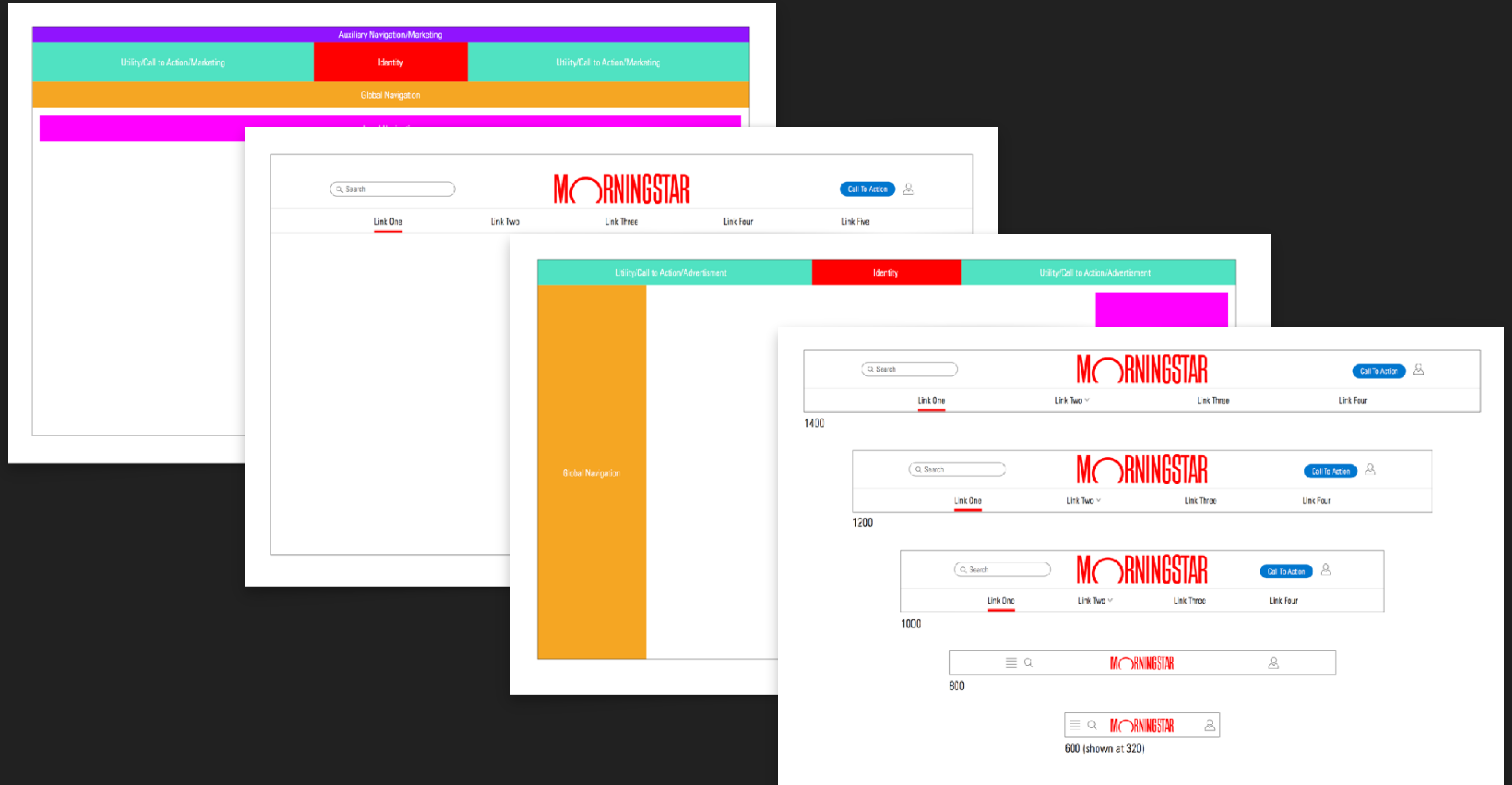
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- [Introduction – 1 - 2 sentences only]
- [Variation Name]**
- Example/Code Pair(s) (paste screenshot from emerging published page)
- [Usage guideline, if needed]
- Guidelines**
- Use When**
- [content, usually starts with words like "Displaying..."]
- Don't Use When**
- Visual Style**
- Behaviors**
- Editorial**
- Accessibility**
- CSS Class Reference**

The interface includes a menu bar with options like File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Tools, Table, Add-ons, Help, Accessibility, and a status bar indicating "All changes saved in Drive". The user's email, adam.rowe@morningstar.com, is visible in the top right corner.



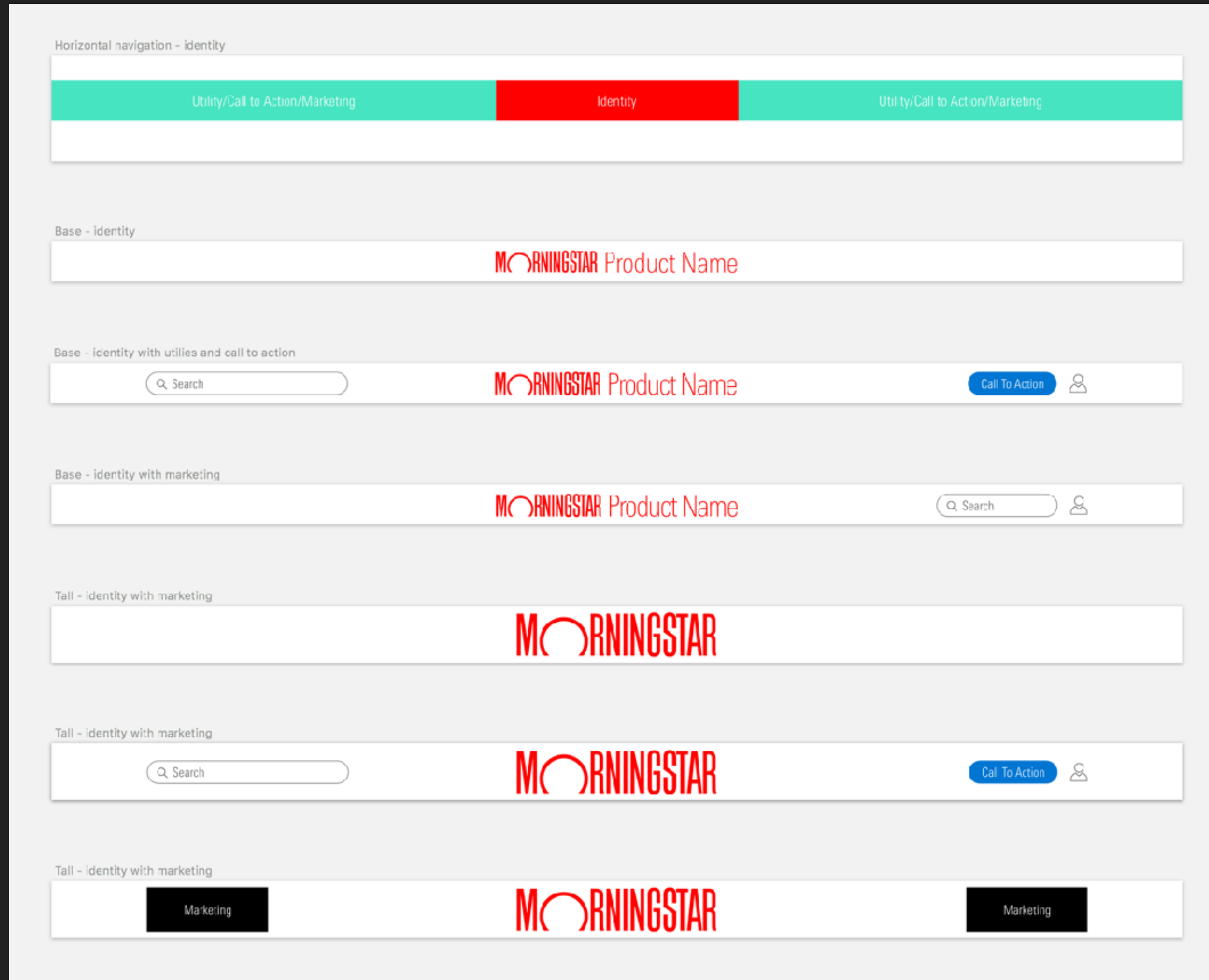
**[Design]**

# Building on Emerging Standards





# Design Iteration



# 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

			<div>Content Power Hour <small>(60 min)</small></div>					<div>Content Power Hour <small>(60 min)</small></div>	
	<div>Visual Critique <small>(60 min)</small></div>					<div>Visual Critique <small>(60 min)</small></div>		<div>Design Rodeo <small>(60 min)</small></div>	
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

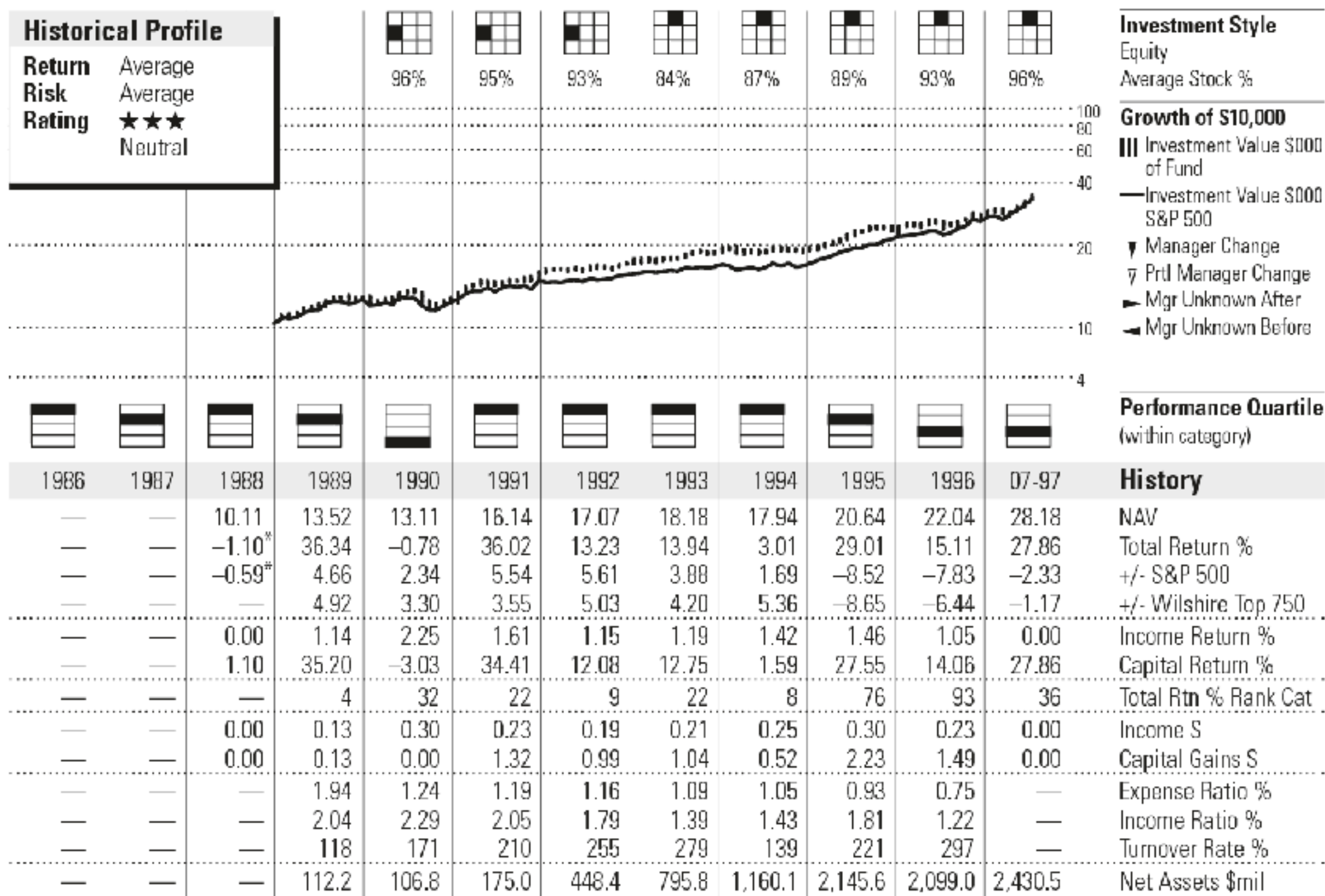
	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Total
1993	4.39	1.46	7.30	0.25	13.94
1994	-1.54	-0.56	4.61	0.57	3.01
1995	5.85	10.48	10.77	-0.41	29.01
1996	3.34	3.19	0.91	6.98	15.11
1997	1.23	15.24	—	—	—

### 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  
Risk  
Rating  
Average  
Average  
★★★  
Neutral



### Risk Analysis

Time Period	Load-Adj Return %	Risk % Rank <sup>1</sup> All	Risk % 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):

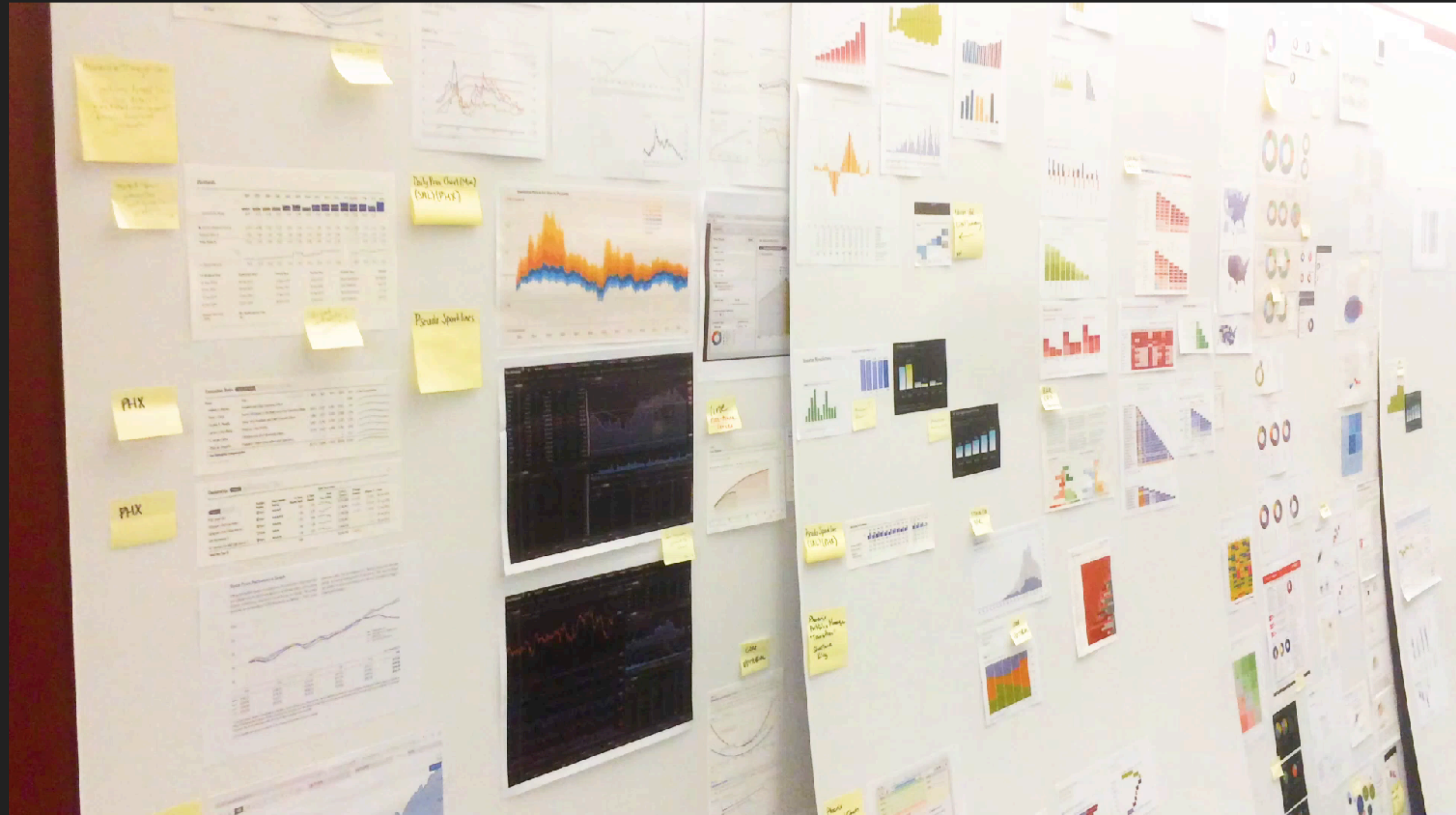
11=low, 100=high

### Portfolio Analysis 04-30-97

Share Chg (10-96) 000	Amount 000	Total Stocks	Total Fixed-Income	Value \$000	% Net Assets
184	0	184	0	—	—
⊕ 405	605	Intel	—	92,641	4.55
⊖ 50	648	General Electric	—	71,847	3.53
⊖ 906	906	Bristol-Myers Squibb	—	59,342	2.91
⊖ 386	1,066	Travelers Group	—	59,029	2.90
⊖ 260	467	Procter & Gamble	—	58,725	2.88
⊕ 221	403	BankAmerica	—	47,100	2.31
⊖ 200	507	Merck	—	45,884	2.25



# Chart Taxonomy

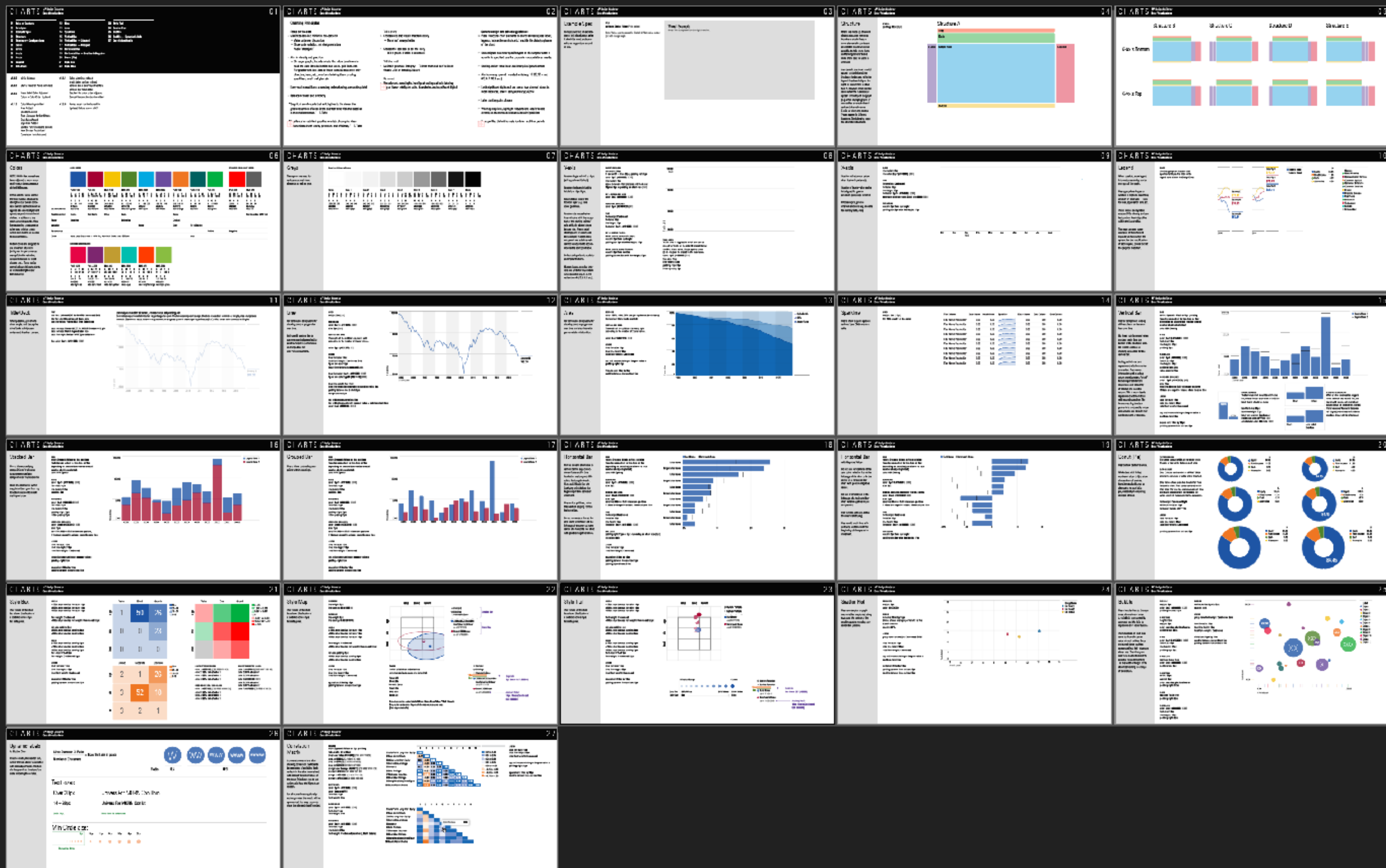


# Chart Structure





# Chart Standards



## CHARTS

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### 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**

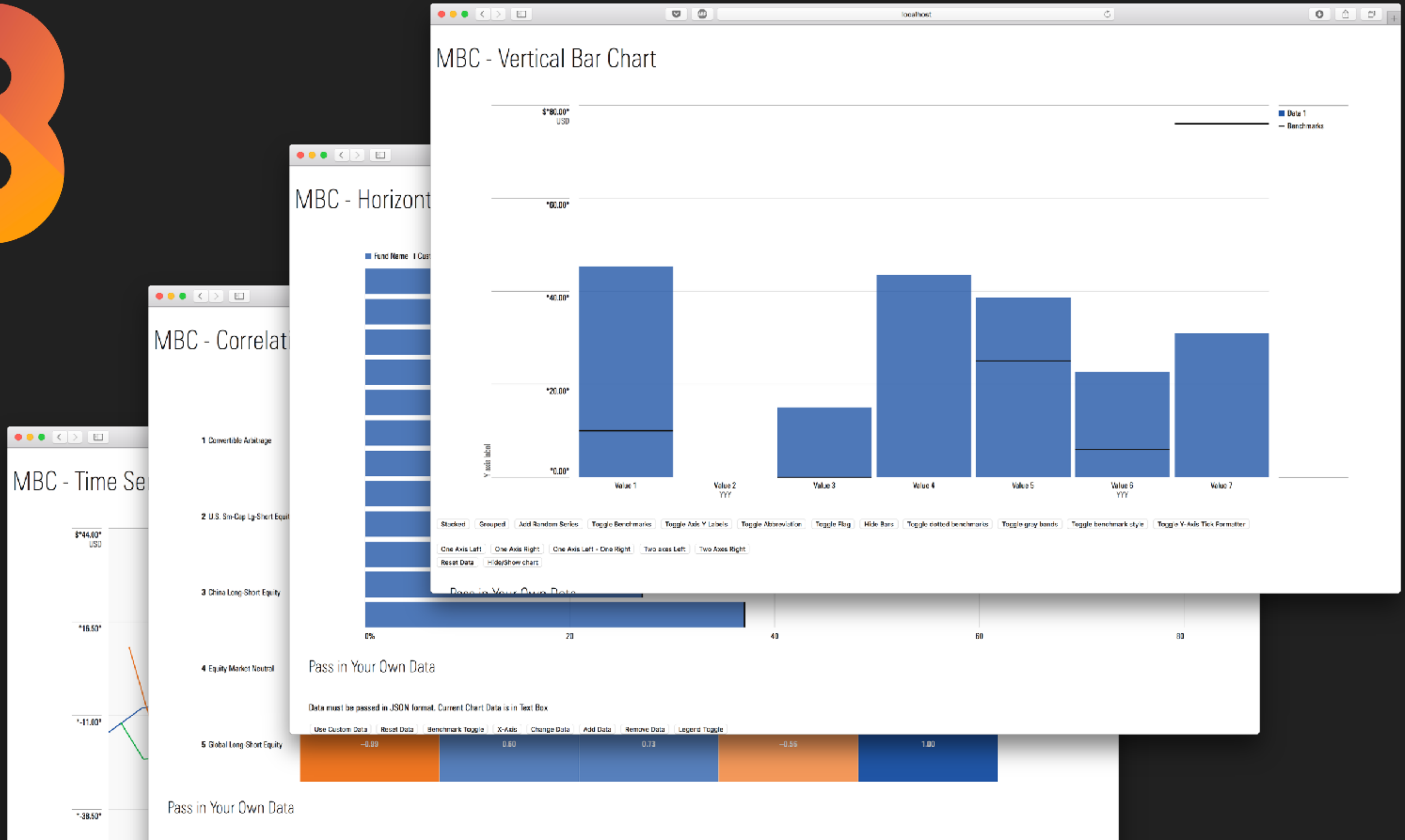
top and bottom rule length: **longest value + padding-right: 6px**

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





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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)

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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.

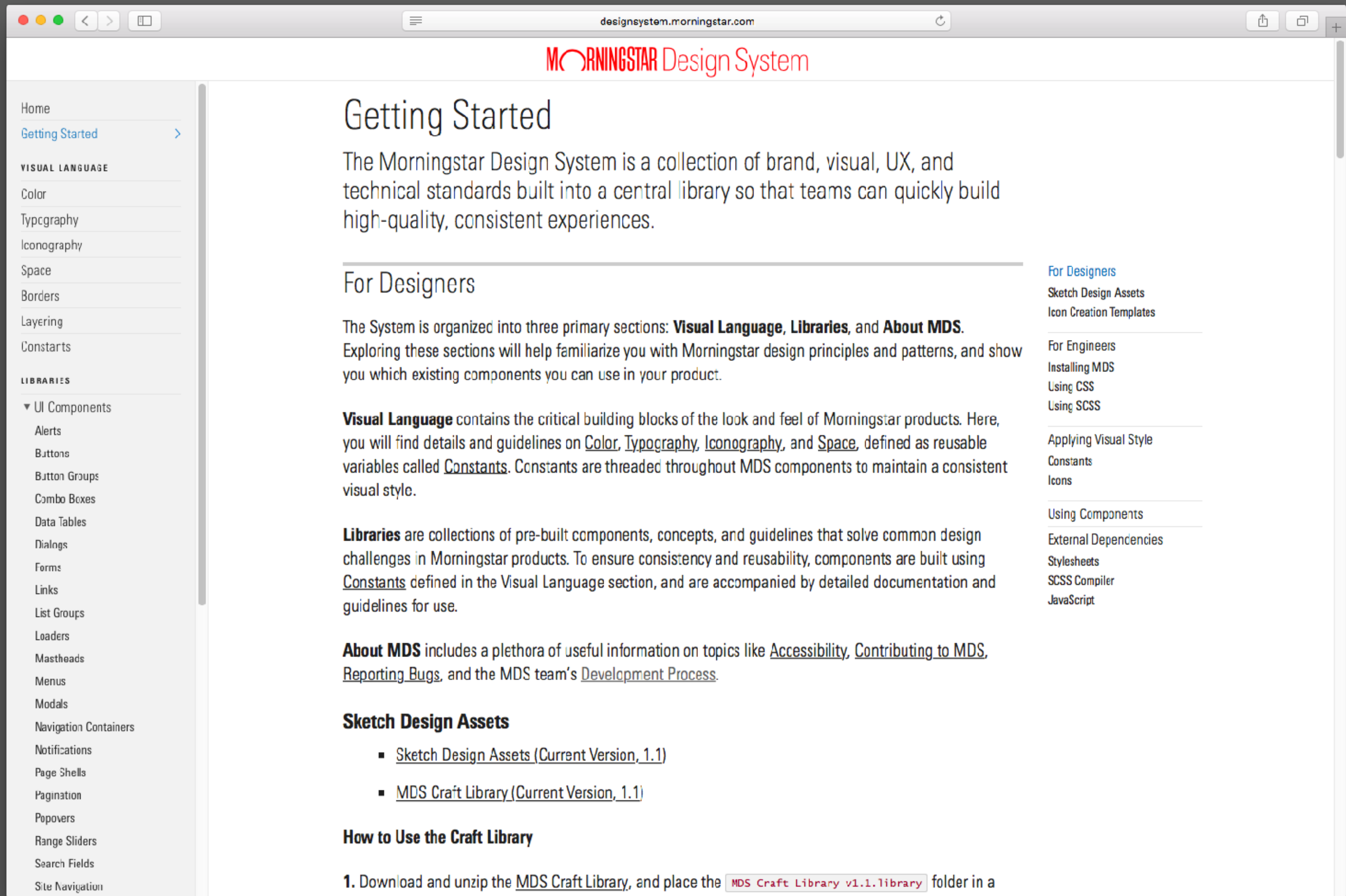
Brought Morningstar Base Charts into MDS, including resources to help you choose a chart.

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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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).

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

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Neutrals

Feedback

Backgrounds

Primary

Secondary

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Text

Primary

Secondary

Disabled

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\$mds-text-color-secondary-default

#5e5e5e

\$mds-text-color-secondary-on-light

#5e5e5e

\$mds-text-color-secondary-on-dark

#ababab

\$mds-text-color-link-default

#006fba

\$mds-text-color-link-on-light

#006fba

\$mds-text-color-link-on-dark

#008dde

\$mds-text-color-error-default

#ff0000

\$mds-text-color-error-on-light

#ff0000

\$mds-text-color-error-on-dark

#ff0000

Interactive

Variable Name

Value

\$mds-interactive-color-primary-default

#0077cf

\$mds-interactive-color-primary-hover

#005ba1

\$mds-interactive-color-primary-focus

#005ba1

\$mds-interactive-color-primary-active

#004376

\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-primary

transparent

\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-hover

#5e5e5e

\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-focus

#5e5e5e

\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-active-on-light

#333333

\$mds-interactive-color-secondary-active-on-dark

#e5e5e5

\$mds-interactive-color-disabled-on-light

#808080

\$mds-interactive-color-disabled-on-dark

#ababab

Visualization

Variable Name

Value

\$mds-visualization-color-asset-allocation-local-stocks

#1f55a5

\$mds-visualization-color-asset-allocation-non-local-stocks

#8faad2

\$mds-visualization-color-asset-allocation-real-estate

#a50032

\$mds-visualization-color-asset-allocation-other

#f5c400

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Buttons

Buttons trigger interactions throughout the experience.

Button Action

View Code

Copy to Clipboard

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

Size

S M L

Button Text

Button Action

Variation

Primary

Background Color

White

Primary

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

Button Text

DEFAULT

Button Text

HOVER

Button Text

ACTIVE

Button Text

FOCUS

White Light Dark Black

Copy to Clipboard

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

Variations

Primary

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With Icon

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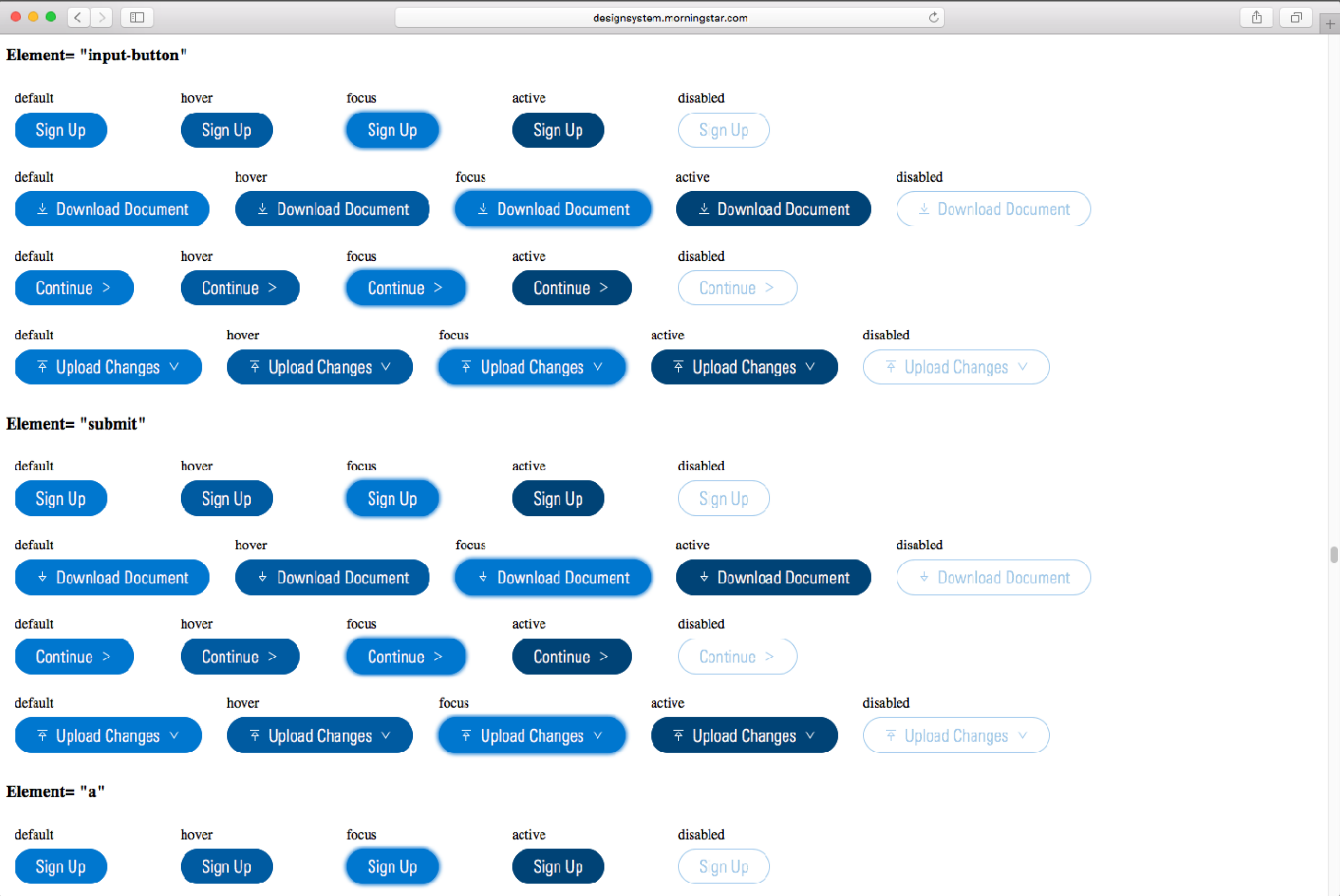
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# Visual Diffing with BackstopJS 3

BackstopJS Report

Passed 466 Failed 496

Expand Summary

status filter failed show stats

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

REFERENCE

Primary

Element= "input-button"

Sign Up

Element= "submit"

Sign Up

Element= "a"

Sign Up

Element= "button"

Sign Up

Element= "checkbox"

Sign Up

Element= "radio"

Sign Up

Primary, Left Icon

Element= "input-button"

Download Document

Element= "submit"

Download Document

Element= "a"

Download Document

Element= "button"

Download Document

Element= "checkbox"

Download Document

Element= "radio"

Download Document

Primary, Right Icon

Element= "input-button"

Continue >

Element= "submit"

Continue >

Element= "a"

Continue >

Element= "button"

Continue >

Element= "checkbox"

Continue >

Element= "radio"

Continue >

Primary, Two Icons

Element= "input-button"

Upload Changes

Element= "submit"

Upload Changes

Element= "a"

Upload Changes

Element= "button"

Upload Changes

Element= "checkbox"

Upload Changes

Element= "radio"

Upload Changes

TEST

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Element= "input-button"

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Element= "submit"

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Upload Changes

DIFF

Primary

Element= "input-button"

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

Menu

Search...

MORNINGSTAR Product

Contact Us

Sign In

BELOW 768PX

Menu

Search

MORNINGSTAR

Envelope

User

Mastheads consist of one required and two optional elements:

Menu

Search...

MORNINGSTAR Product

Contact Us

Sign In

Left Controls (Optional)

Branding (Required)

Right Controls (Optional)

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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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.)

[Notification message, including a [link](#).]

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>
```

Size

S M

Width

Default 350px

Notification Type

Error

Tinted

Title

Unordered List

Custom Action

Dismiss Action

Background Color

White

Anatomy

TITLE

Anatomy

Variations

Error

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

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- Bubble
- Correlation Matrix
- Donut
- Geographical Map
- Horizontal Bar
- Line
- Market Barometer

- Scatter Plot
- Style Box
- Style Map
- Time-Series Line

### Vertical Bar

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## Errors

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### Use When

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



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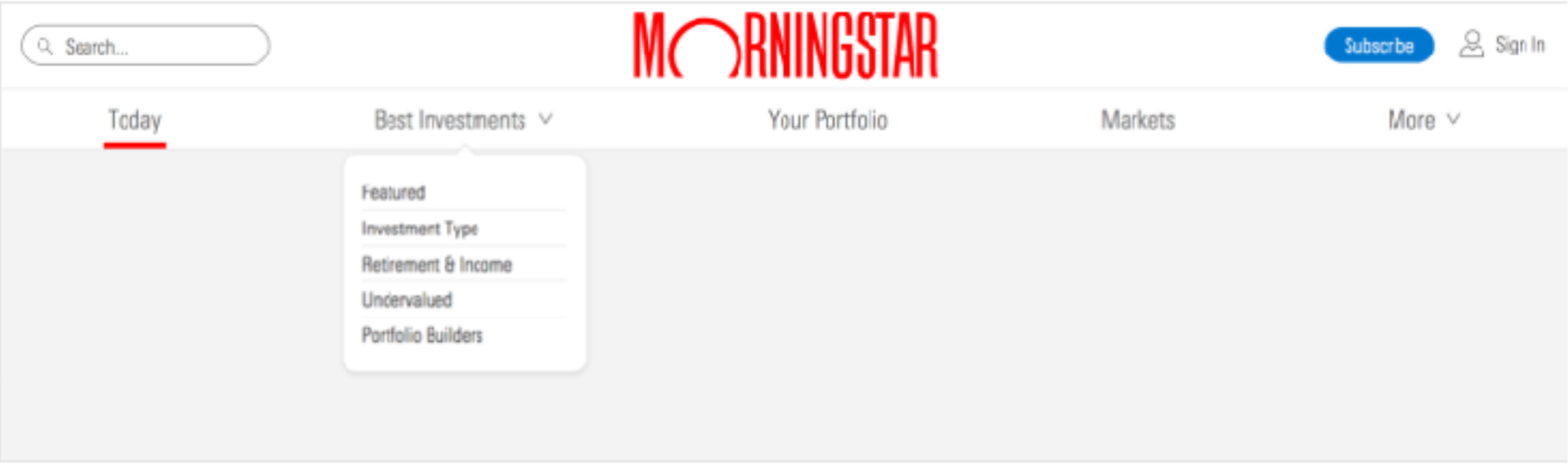
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# Navigation

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

## 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
<div>Step 0</div> <div>Non Adopter</div>	<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>
<div>Step 1</div> <div>Plan &amp; Dependency</div>	<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>
<div>Step 2</div> <div>Visual Language</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Color</li><li>Typography</li><li>Icons</li><li>Constants applied to non-MDS components.</li></ul> <div>No more than 9 months behind latest release</div>
<div>Step 3</div> <div>Priority Components</div>	<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> <div>No more than 6 months behind latest release</div>

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Thanks!