

Create Accessible Tableau Dashboards

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Training

- Salesforce: [Build Accessible Data Visualizations in Tableau](#) - 5 lessons (45 minutes total; 5-10 minutes each)
- Brown University: [Web Accessibility Training](#) (11 minutes; applies to content consumed through a web browser like Tableau dashboards)

Tableau Resources

[Tableau Accessibility Resource List](#)

Tableau Accessibility Guides

- Purdue University: [Tableau Accessibility](#)
- Mass.gov Accessibility training resource center: [Data Visualization Accessibility Guidelines](#)
- University of Minnesota: [Tableau: Web Content Accessibility Guide for Content Authors](#)
- State of Minnesota: [Tableau Accessibility Testing Plan](#)
- Oregon Health Authority: [Tableau Dashboard Accessibility Guide](#)
- OneNumber (Tableau education/consultants): [How to Make WCAG-Compliant Tableau Dashboards](#) (article + 1:06 hour video)
- North Carolina Department of Information Technology: [Data Visualization Accessibility for Dashboard Developers](#) (57 minute video)

Testing Tools

- [WAVE Browser Extension](#)
- [Colour Contrast Analyzer](#)
- BI @Brown: [Colorblindness Simulators](#)

Tab Order for Screen Readers

Tab order determines how users will tab through a document with their keyboard. It ensures a logical, predictable navigation path, typically following a left-to-right, top-to-bottom flow, which is crucial for users navigating with assistive technology.

Effective September 29, 2022 (version 2021.3), Tableau automatically sets the tab order for accessibility screen readers on dashboards.

For dashboard published prior September 29, 2022, do one of the following:

- Manually [set the tab order](#) (see also [Tableau Desktop & Web Authoring forum post](#)).
- Duplicate the dashboard and publish the duplicate instead of the original one. The duplicate will have the auto-generated tab order. After publishing, delete the original dashboard from the workbook.

Archive Outdated Content

If you have outdated content, move it out of view to your Tableau Server project's **Archive** sub folder or delete it.

"The federal regulations provide a narrow exclusion for archived material, meaning it does not have to be made accessible. This refers to content created prior to the effective date of the federal mandate, that is no longer being actively updated, and is no longer being used for active university courses, programs, or services, and is instead maintained exclusively for reference or research." (source: digital-accessibility.brown.edu/digital-accessibility-faqs#accessibility-of-archived-content)

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