

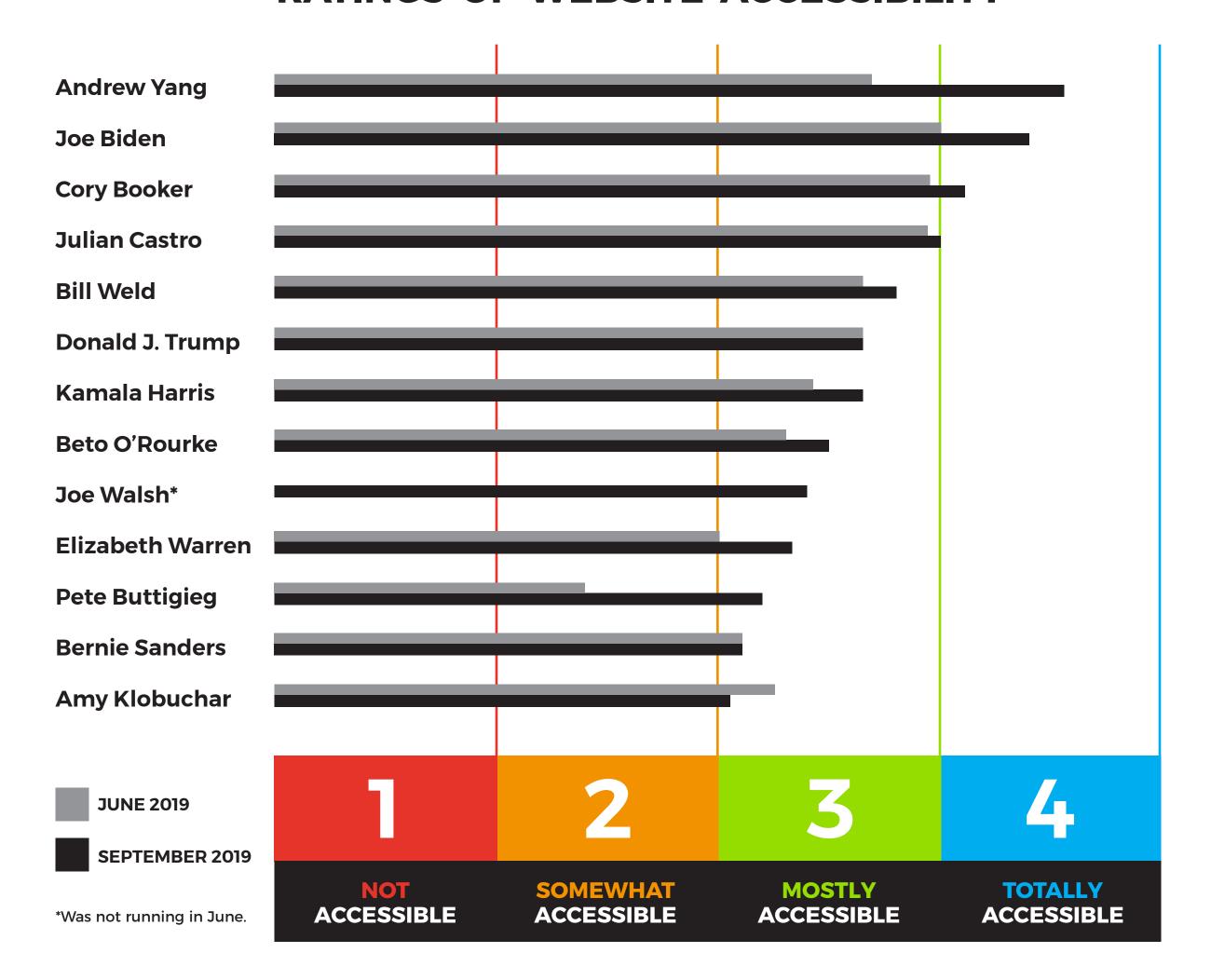
This project was commissioned by the Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired to determine if the presidential candidates' websites were accessible to the blind.

The 2020 Presidential Candidate ADA Compliance Meter: Moving the Needle on Website Accessibility

Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired enthusiastically visited each presidential candidate's website to find out more about them prior to the first Democratic Debate held in Miami in June. Not one website—Democrat or Republican—was fully accessible for a blind or visually impaired person to navigate.

Since that first debate, we have continued to follow the progress of the presidential candidates to make their websites more accessible. Since our first report, still none of the websites are fully compliant with the ADA, but most of the candidates' websites showed improvements in accessibility. Four of the candidates added an accessibility statement that provides users contact information for assistance.

RATINGS OF WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY



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- Is website organized for ease of navigation?
- Are headings appropriately structured?
- Do logos and links have descriptive alt text?
- Can users select active links with keystroke commands?
- Can users control changing images?
- Does site have play/pause video controls?
- Are users able to adjust color and font size?
- Can users easily fill out forms on site?
- Can users access error messages?
- Is there a commitment statement to website accessibility?