Introduction
• Some states hold their state funded agencies to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act standards.
• In 2010, 17 states had library website accessibility requirements
• South Carolina’s accessibility policy does not include libraries at the time of this study
• Because South Carolina’s accessibility policy does not include libraries, SCAPLA libraries do not currently need to be compliant with Section 508

Aim
• Determine the number of SCAPLA website homepages that meet Section 508 criteria
• Discover the average number of compliance errors
• Find the most common compliance error on non-compliant homepages
• Provide findings that may be useful for preparing SCAPLA websites for future changes in South Carolina accessibility legislation

Methods
• 42 SCAPLA library systems
• Each system’s homepage was analyzed for section 508 compliance errors using the WAVE tool
• Homepages containing no compliance errors were marked as compliant
• Homepages containing compliance errors were marked as non-compliant
• Totals for each type of compliance error were recorded for each homepage
• Average number of compliance errors was calculated
• Compliance error with highest frequency was recorded
• Each library system was given a random number from 1 to 42 for anonymity

Results
• 9 homepages unreadable by WAVE
• 32 non-compliant homepages
• 1 compliant homepage
• Average of 21.45 errors per homepage across the 33 readable homepages
• The most common compliance error was “linked image missing alternative text”, making up 200 of the 708 compliance errors across the 33 readable homepages

-This is a Screenshot of a WAVE evaluation summary returning 0 compliance errors. URL removed for anonymity