User Insight & Georgia.gov

Expert Review, Competitive Analysis & User Research

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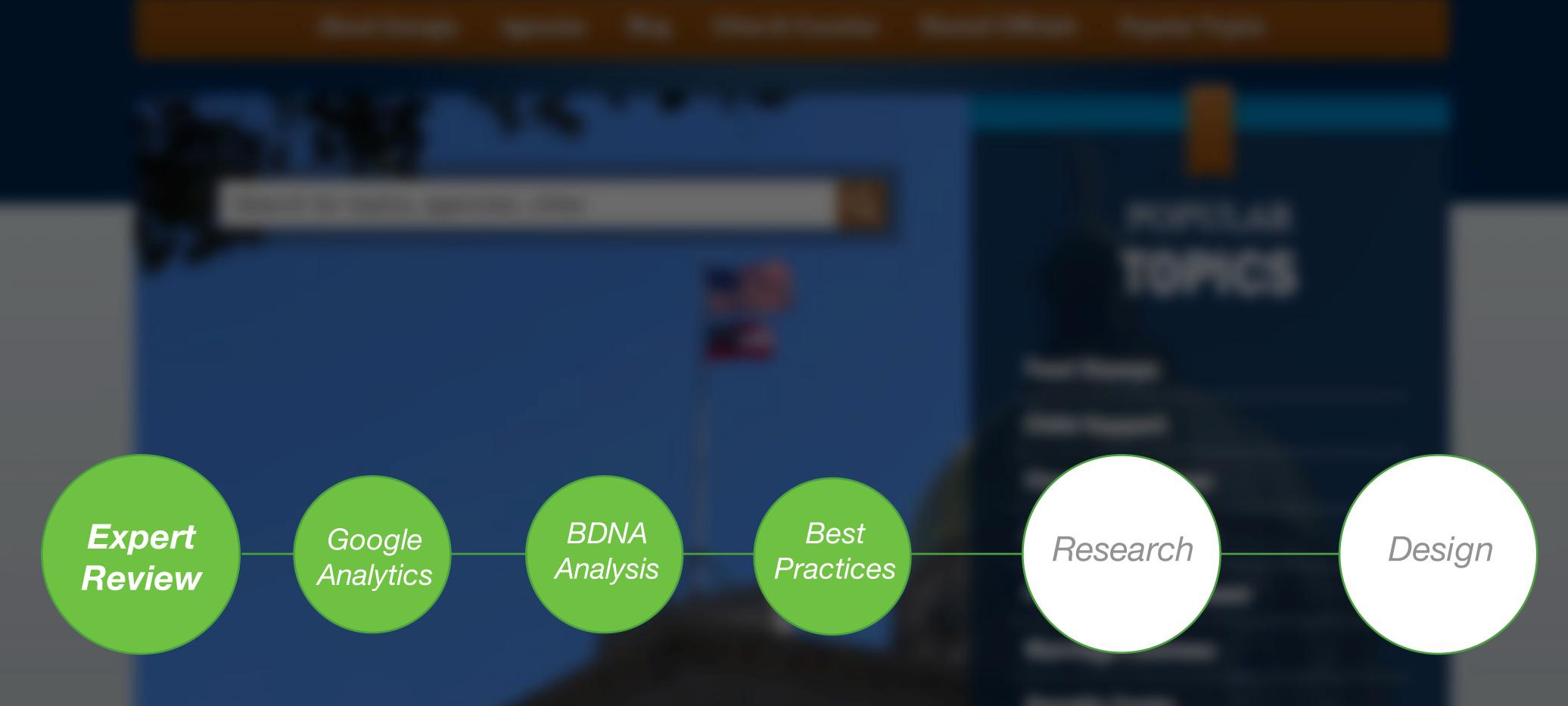
User Research

In July, 2017, User Insight, in conjunction with GGI, conducted an Expert Review and User Research on:

- Georgia.gov
- GA Department of Revenue
- Department of Human Services-Child Support Divisions
- GA Department of Labor and Driver Services

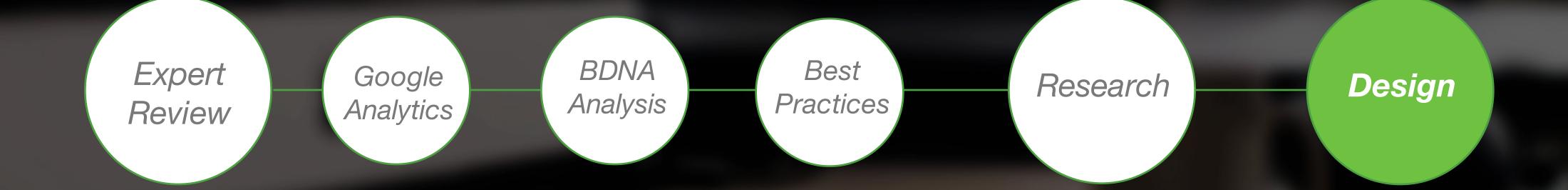
on both desktop and mobile (web).

The focus of this research was to create a baseline assessment to better understand Users' expectations and current experience.



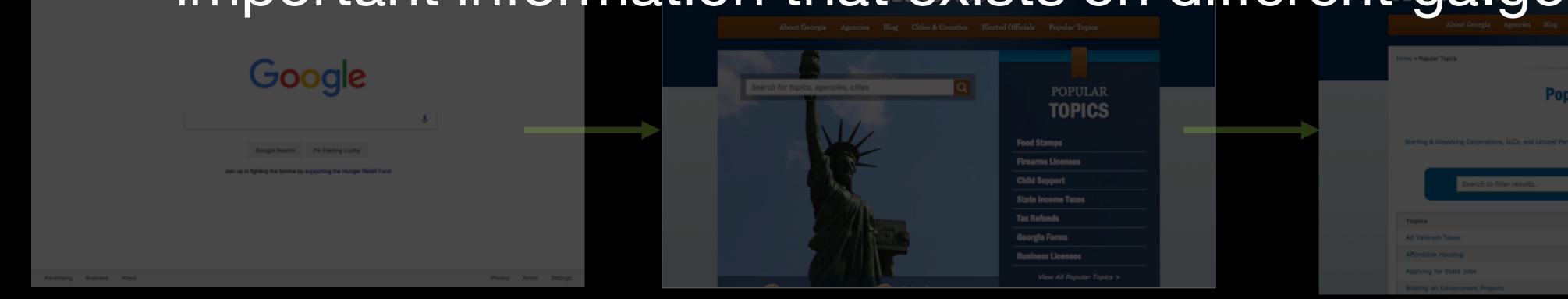
An expert review is an inspection method designed to identify usability problems in an online product or service. The review is carried out by a small group of usability experts who analyze the product or service to identify any potential usability issues.





Organic searches make up the majority of leads to ga.gov websites.

Once Users visit one website, there is not a clear way for them to move between agency websites. This results in Users missing important information that exists on different ga.gov sites.





Users do **not understand the divisions** between Georgia agencies. When visiting ga.gov websites, they are looking for information **related to their immediate need**.

Currently, the sites are segmented and do not help Users navigate from one site to another.



Analytics revealed that while Georgia.gov has a high number of total visitors...

	Total visitors	Avg pgs per session	Session duration	Bounce rate	% new users
DDS	1M (tracking started late)	3.29	03:43	30.36	61.51
DOL	2.6M	2.49	03:19	25.46	35.57
DOR	5.2M	3.10	02:46	19.96	53.45
DFCS	2.5M	2.43	02:43	42.97	60.32
GA.gov	5M	1.84	01:47	47.68	64.94

Georgia.gov has the least number of page views per session

(less than 2 pages),

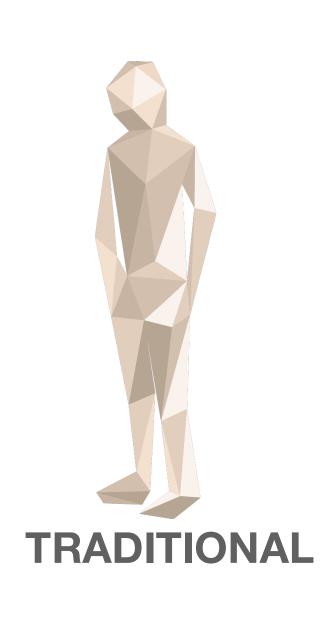
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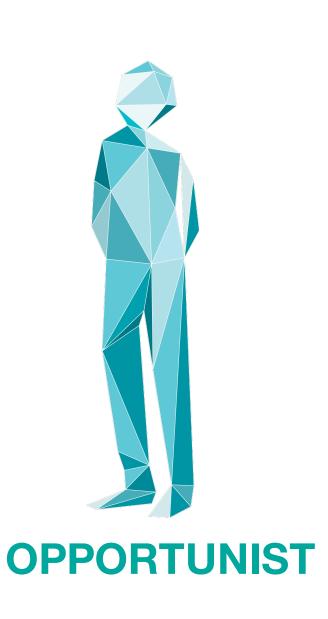
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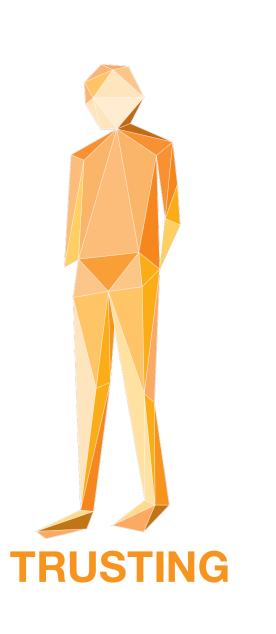
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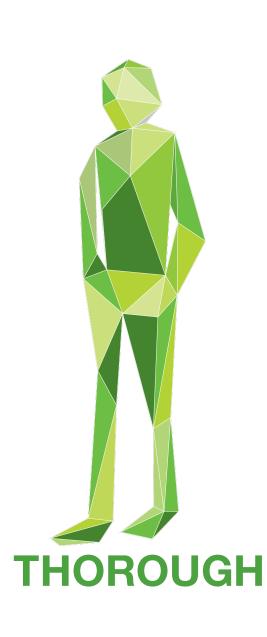


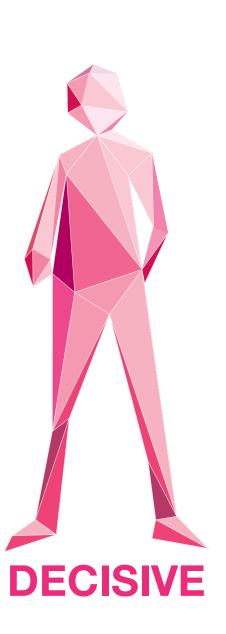
SUPPORT BEHAVIORAL LANDSCAPE











guidance

self support

- appreciate assistance
- welcome recommendations
- easily overwhelmed by too many options
- prefer use a single, stepped path
- will compromise wants rather than leave

- know what they want
- like to make their own choice
 - empowered by many choices and detailed information
- prefer ability explore multiple paths
- will abandon if they can't get what they want



Organic Search by Behavior





THOROUGH

Will systematically click through each of these results, typically they like to open up new tabs for each link they are interested in, if they are in research mode (and depending on complexity) they will spend a long period of time reading and cross comparing information.



DECISIVE

Like to cut through middle men and go right to the source of information, they might skip a search and go right to a source like GA.gov or DOR.ga.gov. Decisives are confident in their ability to assess different sources and not get tricked so they are okay with going to non-accredited sites for information. They want to be able to find information they need quickly without having to talk to anyone.



OPPORTUNIST

Are probably in flight mode, doing this search at the last minute. They will click on the easiest link or area of information. The photo and steps that DMV surfaces on the google results are very appealing to opportunists. They will not differentiate between .org and .gov and will most likely appreciate whatever site feels the most convenient.



TRUSTING

Want to be successful on their own, they will see the steps in the DMV in page information and will click on that link. They will also appreciate the "People also ask" section because that might help them if they typed in an incorrect search string.



TRADITIONAL

Would also go right to the source like GA.gov or find someone to help them figure out what they need. They are the most likely group to try and go to a brick and mortar location to solve their problem and will escalate questions to customer service as quickly as possible rather than look for it online.







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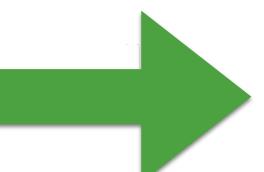
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OPPORTUNIST

An Opportunist will not differentiate between .org and .gov and will most likely choose whatever site feels the most convenient. They will enter personal information on the site, thinking it is a trusted source. Later, if there's trouble, they will seek help – in person or on the phone at a government agency.



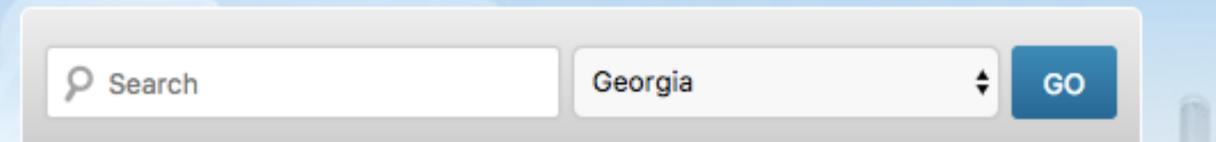




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Home

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Disability Plates and Placards

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Replacing a Lost Title

Title Transfers

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Car Registration in Georgia

DMV.org Insurance Finder

Join 1,972,984 Americans who searched DMV.org for cainsurance rates:

Please Enter Your Zip:

e.g. 92109

Search Rates >

Next: Select a Provider









DOL Department of Labor

Get Unemployment Assistance

unemployment rate published for April and October.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Individuals

Forms and Publications related to Unemployment Insurance Benefit

available under state or federal law.

File an Unemployment Insurance Claim

Unemployment Benefit Payments

Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System

Claim Weekly Unemployment Benefits

Status of Weekly UI/TRA Payments

Direct Deposit of Weekly UI Benefits

evidence of your efforts by Internet or fax

Learn About Work Search Requirements

View Previously Submitted Weekly Work Search Records

View or Update Your Income Tax Withholding Options
Make or update your Income Tax Withholding election.

Weekly Work Search Requirements Frequently Asked Questions

Make electronic payments online to repay overpayment debts.

UI Way2Go Debit Card

Weekly Work Search

Submit Weekly Work Search

Other UI Services

have been repaid.

Report UI Fraud

IRS Form 1099-G for UI Payments

Repayment of Overpaid Benefits

Home » Get Unemployment Assistance

How to talk to each behavior

The Unemployment Insurance (UI) program provides temporary income for workers who are unemployed through no fault of their own and

who are either looking for another job, have a definite recall to their jobs within 6 weeks of the last day worked, or are in approved training. The funding for unemployment insurance benefits comes from taxes paid by employers. Workers do not pay any costs. Eligibility for benefits is determined based on past wages, reason for job separation, and availability and job search requirements. Claims are effective on the date

Georgia 2012 House Bill 347 amended Code Section 34-8-193 of Georgia Employment Security Law to create an adjustable number of maximum weeks of regular Unemployment Insurance (UI) eligibility to range from 14 to 20 weeks based upon a designated average statewide

Emergency Unemployment Compensation (EUC) is currently not available under federal law. State Extended Benefits (SEB) is currently not

Once you file your claim, you will be required to certify your eligibility for each week you claim benefits and submit your work search for each week of benefits claimed. You may claim benefits using the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) system, over the Internet, or in person at a

Payments are made by either direct deposit or debit card. The preferred method is direct deposit into your personal checking or savings account. If you do not enroll in direct deposit, payments will be deposited to your Georgia UI Way2Go Debit MasterCard® which works likes

Enroll in, change, or cancel direct deposit of unemployment insurance benefits into a checking or savings account. A PIN is required.

If you receive unemployment insurance benefits of any type, you are required to make a good faith effort to find another job as soon as possible. You can only be paid for weeks during which you actively seek work. Unless the Georgia Department of Labor (GDOL) specifically exempts you under our law from this requirement, you are required to keep a detailed record of your work search activities and submit

Access your 1099-G. A PIN is required. Unemployment compensation is taxable income and must be reported yearly even if benefits received

unemployment rate. The maximum number of weeks will change twice each calendar year dependent upon the average statewide

OPPORTUNIST

Opportunists are easily overwhelmed by too much information and appreciate detail broken down into steps of information.

Opportunists also like to do everything at the same time rather than having something drawn out. They are all about convenience and speed.

Key features to include:

- Images
- Interactive chat
- Search box





OPPORTUNIST





OPPORTUNIST

I've been putting this off and I just realized I need to figure out if am eligible for unemployment since I lost my job last week. Hopefully I can find an answer quickly, I'm not even sure what to search on. I hope I can find this information immediately online and I don't have to go to an office or call anyone. I'd like to be able to rectify everything all at once. If I could pay someone to expedite, I would - I'm looking for guidance and comprehensive easy steps to follow online. I would love a way to easily send some of this information to my phone, I just copied and pasted a few things into a text message to myself so I can quickly pull it up while I'm out.



Based on Users' expectations and search process, Ui recommends guiding Users to the Georgia.gov site from their initial google search to help Users understand there are different websites and to provide a central point to where they can restart their search if they do not find what they are looking for.

Georgia.gov has the potential to give Users a better understanding of all the services Georgia has to offer as well as making Users more self sufficient and successful at finding information on their own.



CDL
Commercial Drivers

Ui Recommendation: Integrated User Experience under Georgia.gov







Home

- The Georgia peach logo with "official site" language lets Users know that this is a reliable website. Users want to see the Georgia government agency logo surfaced sooner on ga.gov to help them know the site is official.
- Users want to see imagery that is more closely associated with the state of Georgia.



"This threw me off a little bit. It think of peaches, the gold dome, the shape of state when I think of Georgia. The statue of liberty reminds me of a more national site."

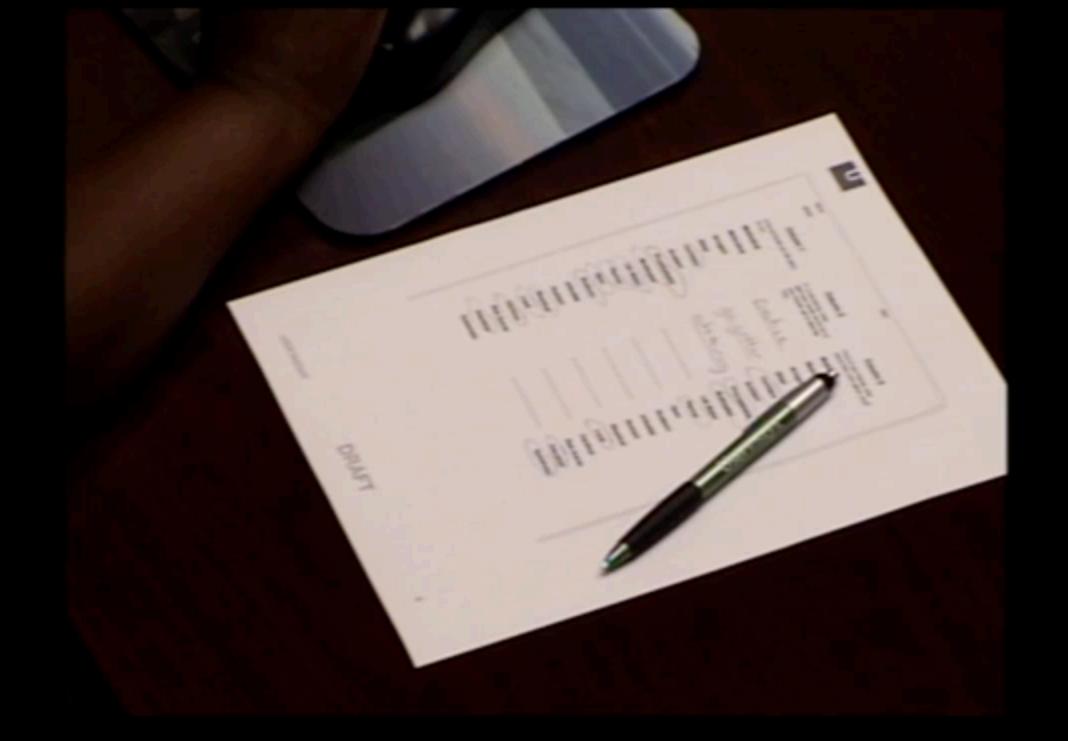
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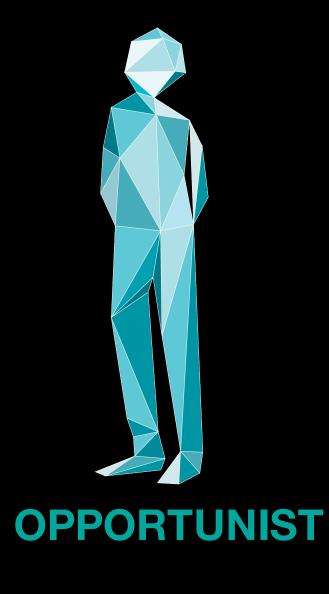
Update imagery to be more reflective of the State of Georgia to help Users know they are on the right page.











High bounce rate & long time on page

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5.	/popular-topic/applying-food-stamps			379,295	14.34%	41.42%	25.64%
6.	. /popular-topic/applying-firearms-license			327,588	23.04%	137.13%	43.00%
7.	/popular-topic/applying-and-renewing-professional-licens	ses		292,086	-45.59%	44.34%	16.96%
8.	/blog/2015-10-14/using-compass	"Applying for Food Stamps" and "Applying for Firearms License" both		248,839	-2.99%	54.07%	24.80%
9.	/popular-topic/applying-business-license			220,982	-12.53%	57.24%	8.30%
10.	/popular-topic/collecting-or-paying-child-support	have higher than average rates coupled with longer		209,332	-37.29%	-46.75%	-2.84%
11.	/agencies/department-human-services-division-child-sup			199,971	11.61%	17.88%	36.94%
12.	/popular-topics	This indicates that Users are not engaging with CTA's on these page		194,102	-1.12%	-62.72%	-66.25%
13.	/popular-topic/getting-marriage-license		are not	152,436	8.54%	123.89%	43.37%
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15.	/agencies/georgia-department-corrections			144,271	-32.68%	33.64%	23.11%

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Popular Topics

Home » Popular Topics » Food Stamps



Food Stamps

The Food Stamp program provides monthly funds for families to purchase groceries.

What You Should Know: (3)

- Apply for food stamp benefits at your local DFCS office. (As of March 2016, applications for food stamps (an no longer be submitted online.)
- After you apply, the Division of Family and Children Services will schedule
 your telephone interview. You may be asked to provide proof of identity,
 citizenship or immigration status, Social Security numbers for those
 requesting assistance, and proof of household income.
- If you have little or no income, you may be eligible to receive Food Stamp benefits within 7 days. Otherwise, if you are determined eligible for benefits, you will receive these within 30 days. Food Stamp benefits are issued on Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card, which can be used at EBT approved food retailers.

FAQs:

How do I report food stamp fraud?

Call 1-877-423-4746 to report this.

Source: Department of Human Services, Division of Family and Children Services. This information was prepared as a public service of the State of Georgia to provide general information, not to advise on any specific legal problem. It is not, and cannot be construed to be, legal advice. If you have questions regarding any matter contained on this page, please speak with the agency that is the source of the information.



Affiliated Agencies

Department of Human Services,
 Division of Family and Children
 Services



Online Forms

· Find Food Banks in Georgia



Associated Services

Georgia COMPASS

Food Stamps

- The majority of Users land directly on this page (61%), and also exit from it (68%).
- When Users do click through this page, most select the Affiliated Agencies link.

U Recommends:

Provide more FAQs to guide Trusting Users through the process of applying for and using food stamps (e.g., "How do I apply for food stamps?" "How do I use food stamps?").

U Recommends:

There are very few click throughs to the "local DFCS office" link. Break this out as a larger button, or even embed a widget in the page so Users can find their local office without leaving this page.

U Recommends:

The affiliated agency link on the right side of the page is receiving good User engagement. Provide additional links here to related topics. This will help draw Users further into the site if this landing page isn't exactly what they need.



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Popular Topics

Home » Popular Topics » Firearms Licenses



Firearms Licenses

County probate courts issue firearms licenses to state residents 21 and older.

What You Should Know:

- · When you arrive at probate court, you'll need an official form of identification, your payment, and a self-addressed, stamped envelope (if you would like them to mail your license to you). Submit your application at the court along with your fingerprints. Within 5 days, a county probate judge will request a criminal history records check and a background check on you. About 30 days later, law enforcement will finish its background check and determine whether you can receive a license.
- · County probate judges may restrict state residents with criminal records from getting licenses.
- . If you've been in a mental hospital or drug treatment center within the last 5 years, you must ask that your county probate court judge approve your license application. The judge will seek a recommendation from the superintendent of your hospital or treatment center, and then determine whether it's safe for you to carry a gun.

FAQs:

How much does a firearms license cost?

While \$75 is an average fee for licensing and fingerprinting, costs vary by county. Contact your local probate court for details.

How long is my firearms license valid, and when should I renew it?



Associated Services

Find Your County Probate Court

Firearms License

- The majority of Users land directly on this page (77%), and also exit from it (78%).
- With the low click through rate to "FInd Your County Probate Court," it seems that most Users landing on this page are looking for general information about firearms licenses in Georgia rather than trying to apply for one directly.
- Thorough and Trusting Users like the FAQs within the ga.gov topic pages, they appreciate quick, factual data.

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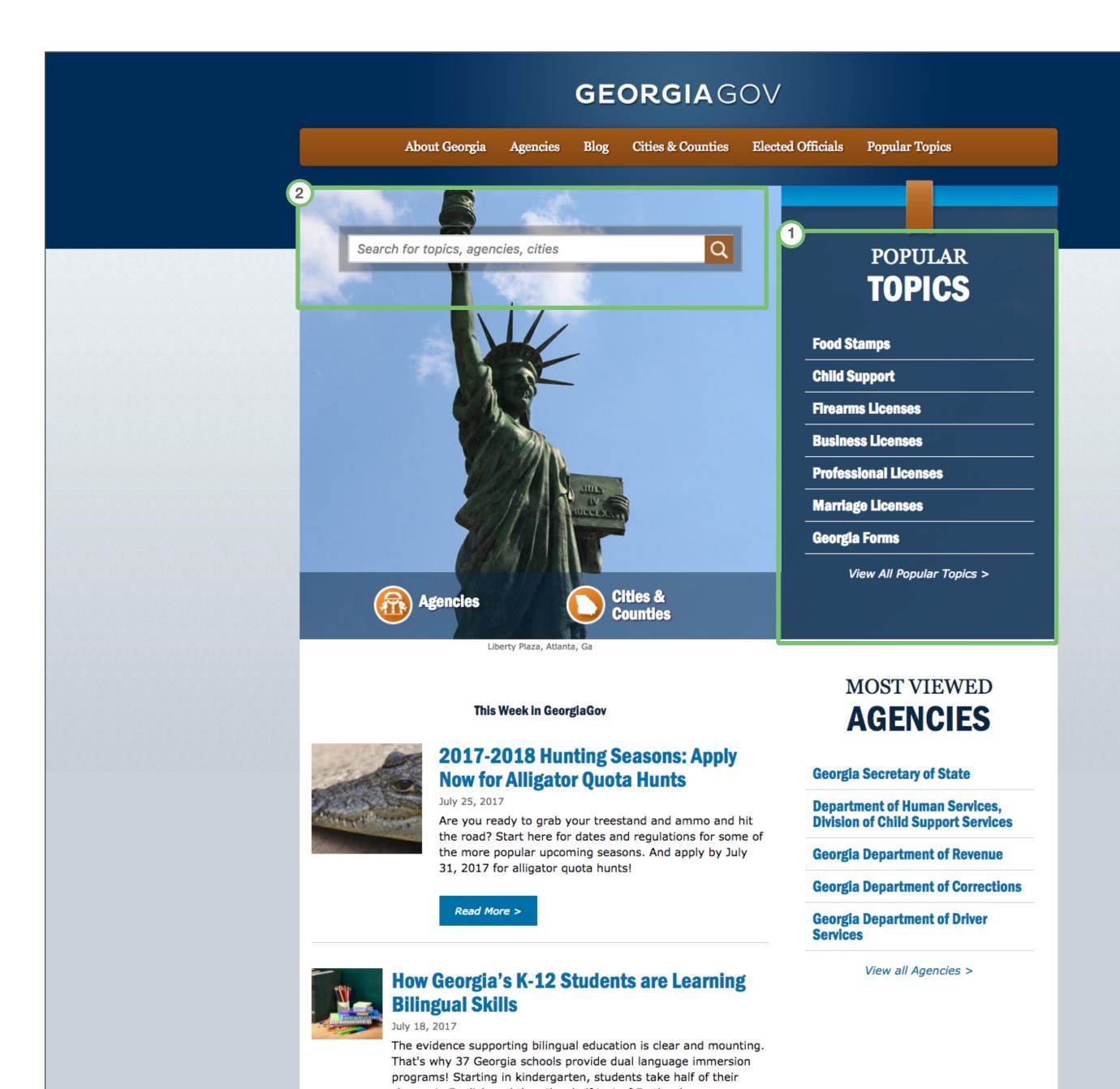
Provide additional links on the right side of the page for Users to learn more about firearms licenses in Georgia.

> Build out FAQs to answer more general questions about Firearms Licenses in Georgia.



Low bounce rate and high click through

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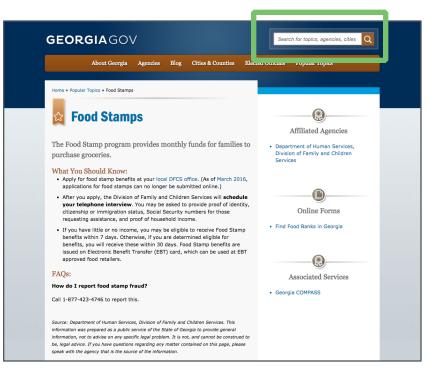
Home

- Popular Topics works well to direct Users to the information they need. Popular topics account for 25% of all page views on this site.
- The search bar is very prominent on the home page, taking up two-thirds of the horizontal space on the page. However, very few visitors utilize this (5%).

! Recommends:

Adjust the visual hierarchy of the page to focus more on Popular Topics. This is a successful path for Users.
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The small percentage of Users who do rely on the search bar will still be able to find it with the standard placement in the upper right hand corner.

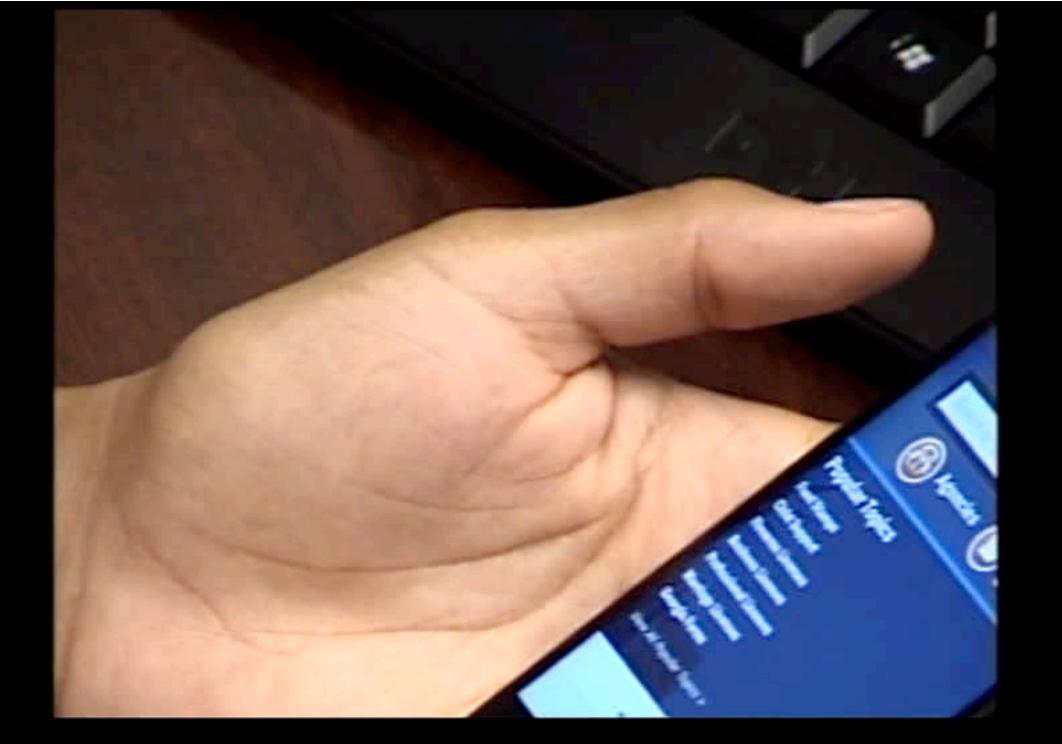


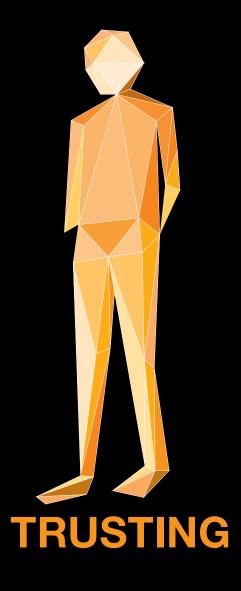






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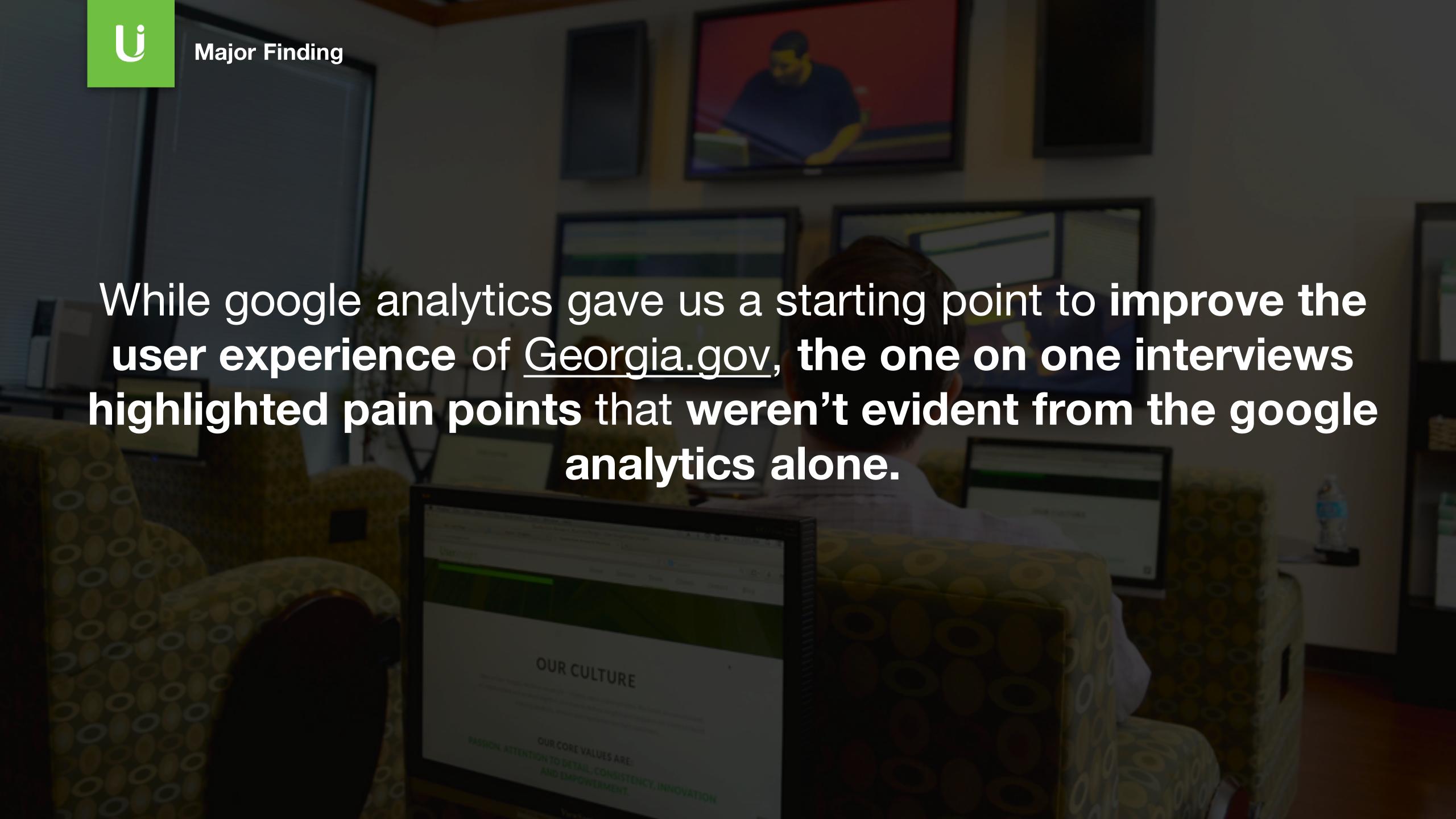
Popular Topics

Users quickly find what they need on this page. The combination of "Most Viewed" quick links, a full list of topics, and the option to search ensures that Users of all DNA types can comfortably find what they need.

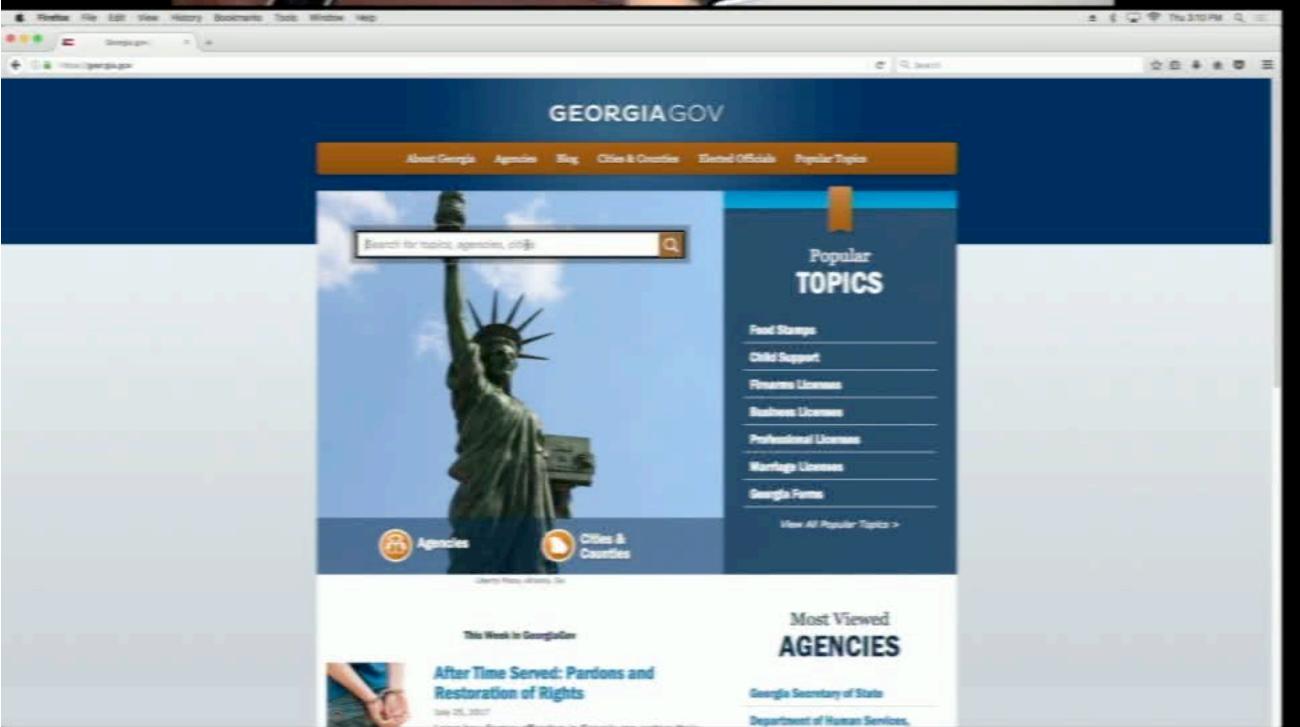
Recommends:

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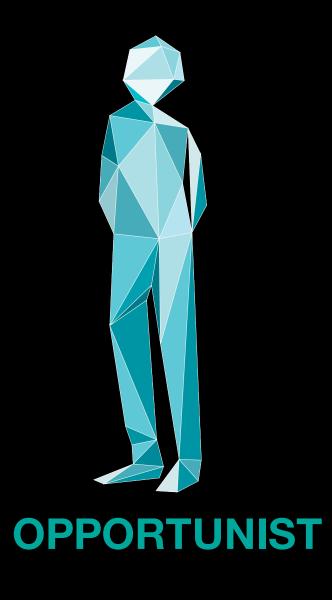








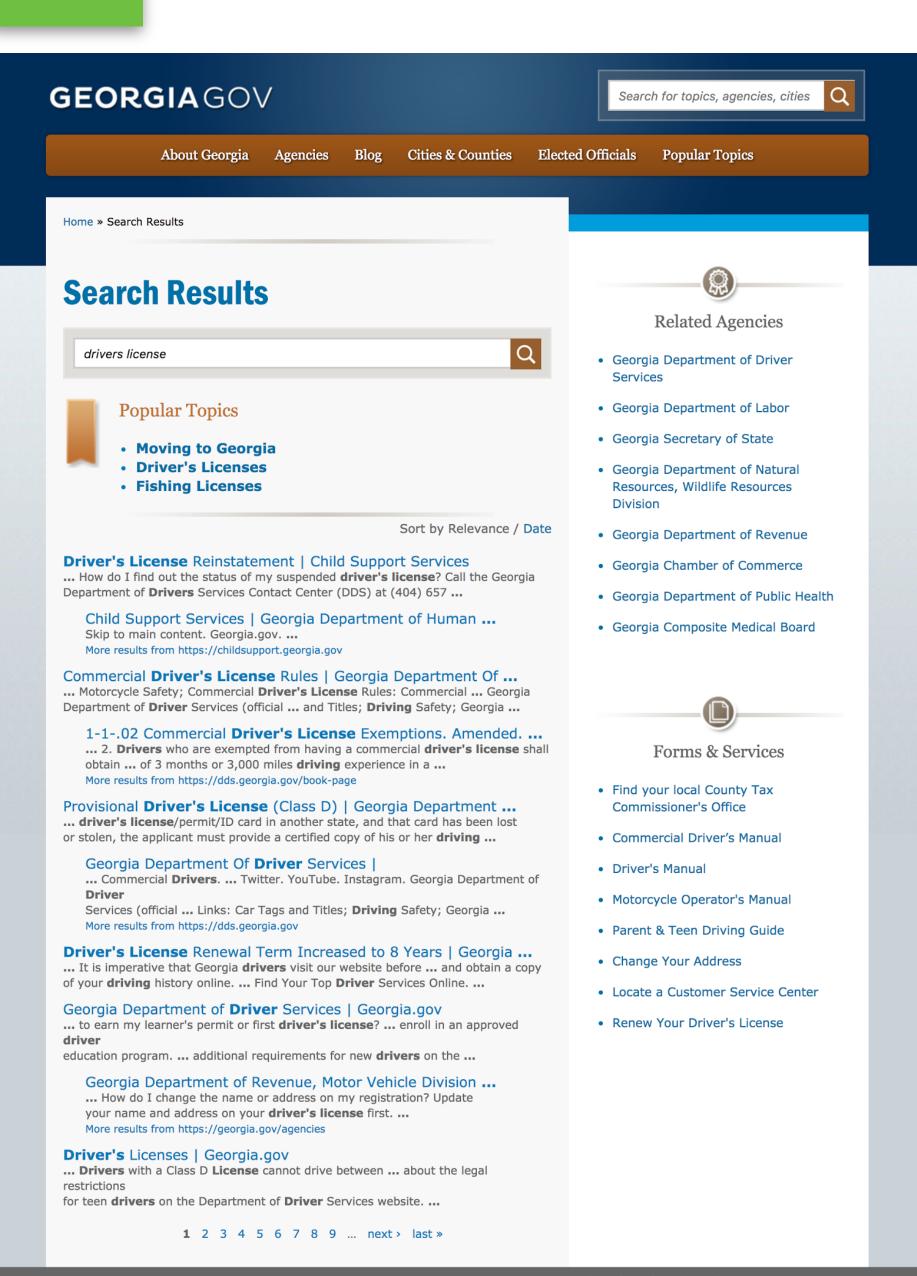




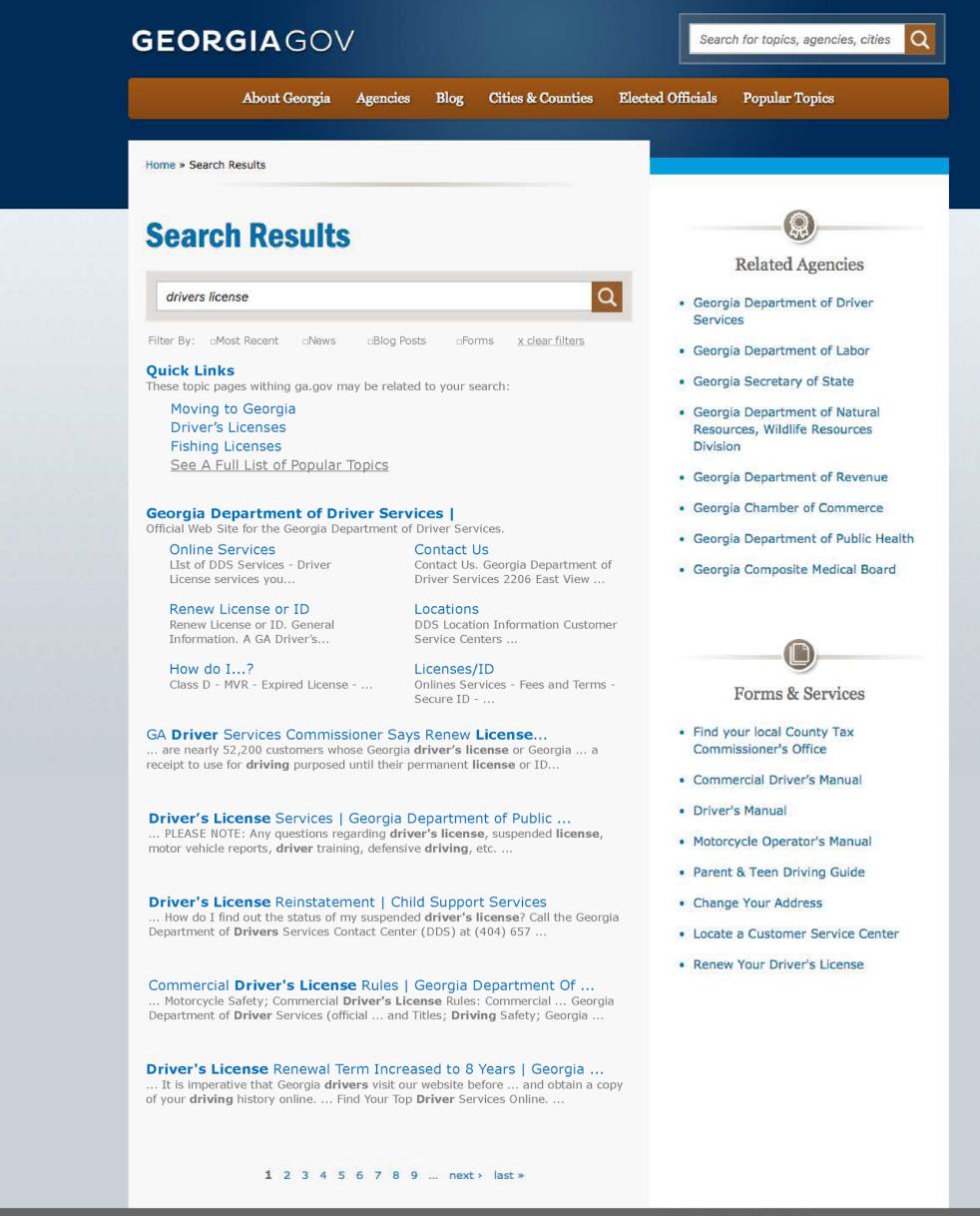


Ga.gov search results

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Redesign:



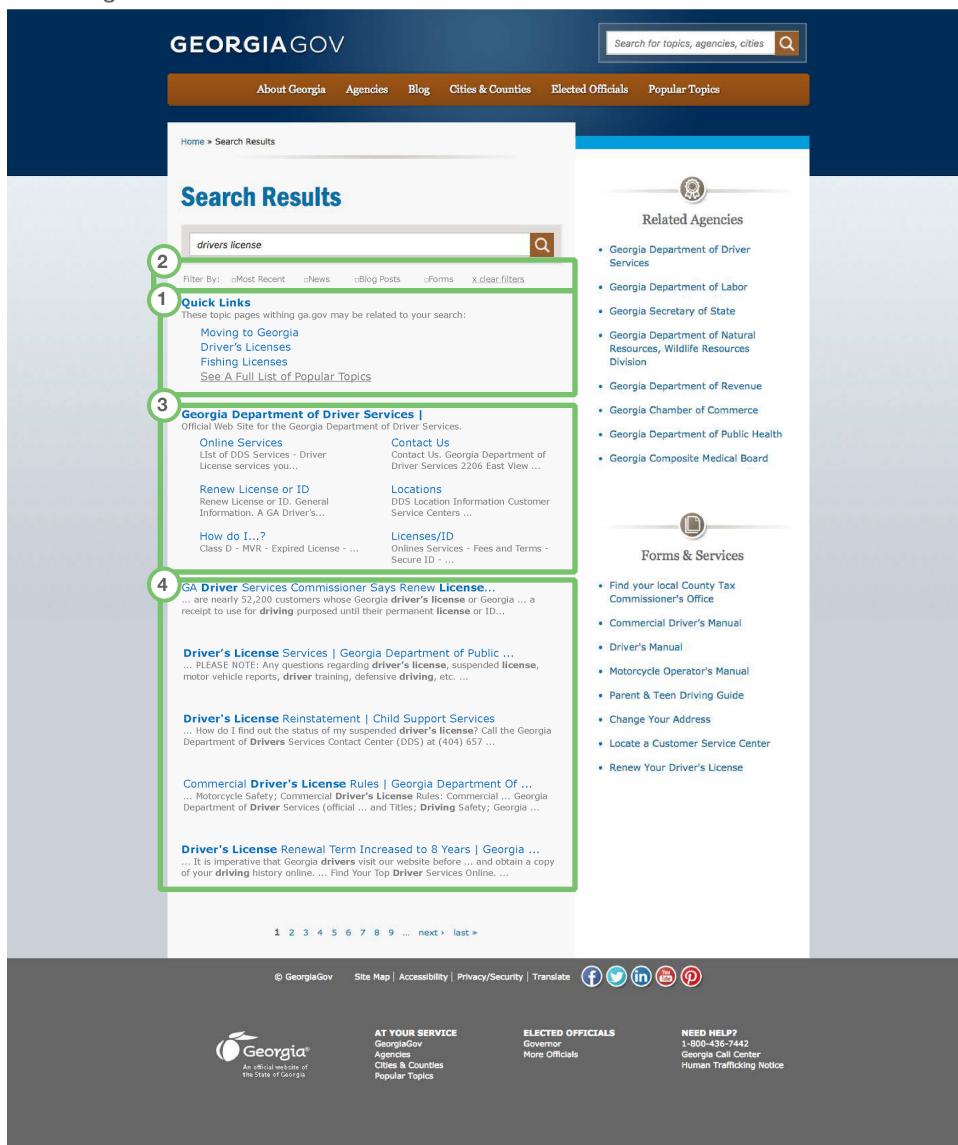




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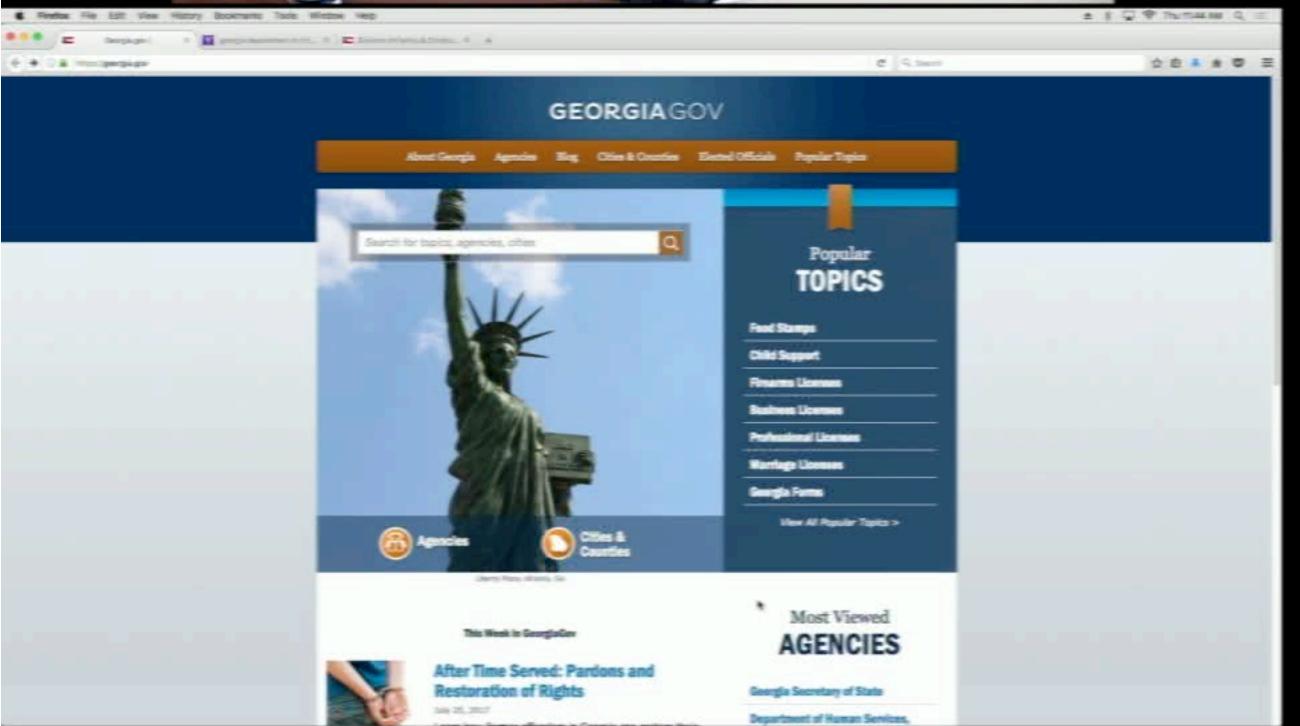


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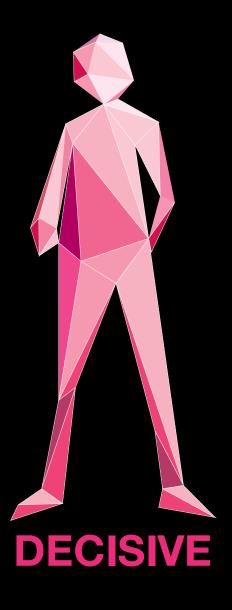
- Popular topics are integrated into the visual design of the search results.
 Users are provided with a link to see more popular topics if desired.
- Users are given an option to filter by most recent, news, blog posts, or forms.
- Agency website homepages are prioritized in the search results. They are presented with links to important sub pages, much like they appear within google search results.
- Deep linked search results are deprioritized. Sub pages are not shown within results (with the exception of the agency homepages).







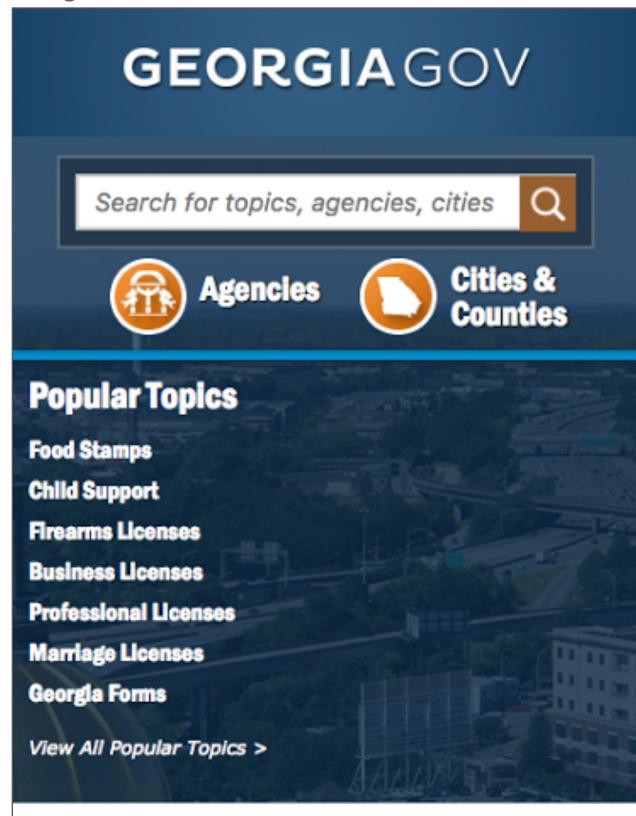






Ga.Gov Mobile Optimization

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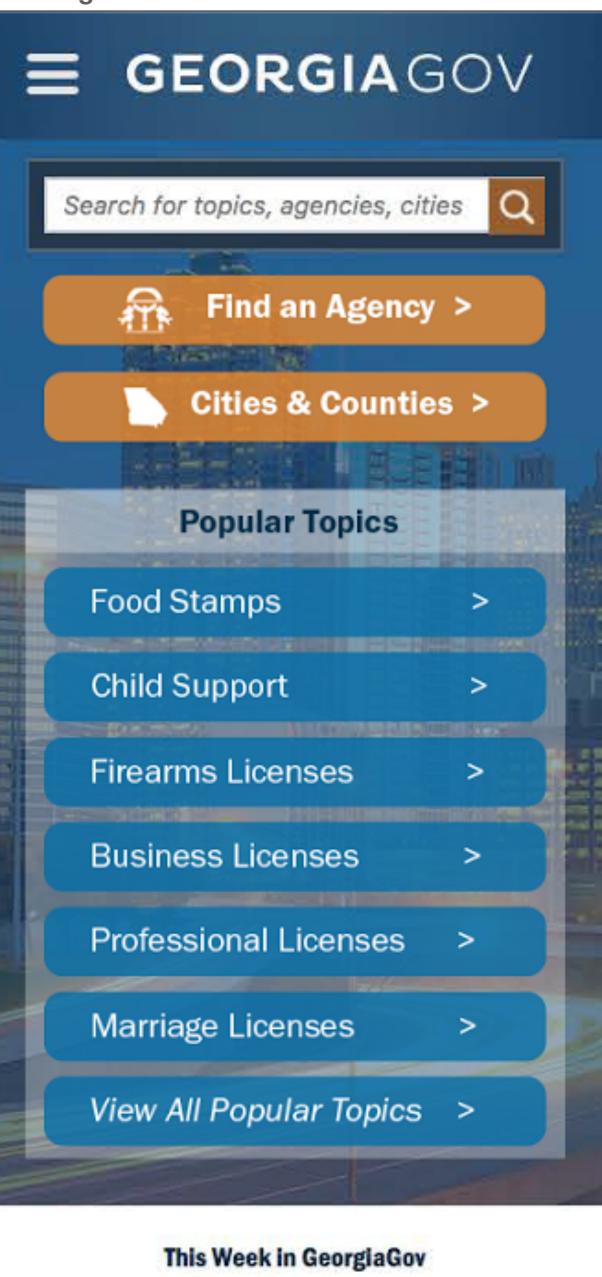


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August 17, 2017

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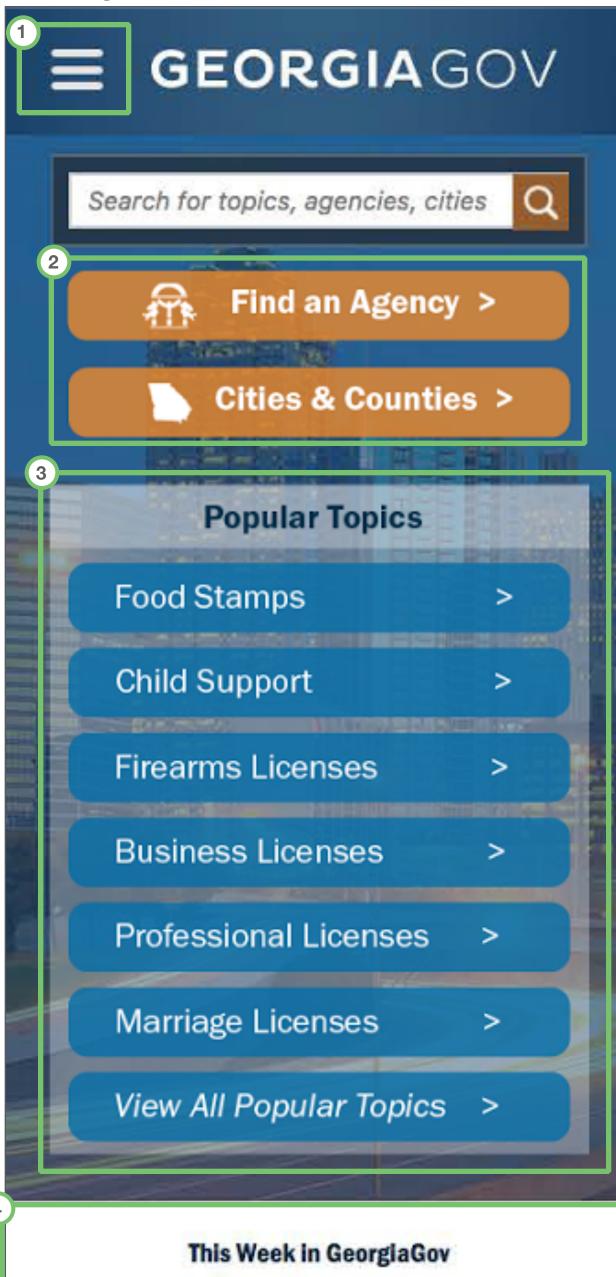


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Redesign:



Ga.Gov Mobile Optimization

- The hamburger menu gives easy access to the same menu items that are shown on desktop (i.e., "About Georgia, Agencies, Blog, etc.).
- Agencies and Cities & Counties are shown as buttons. "Find an Agency" helps provide more context for what Users will find if they select this option.
- Popular topics are expanded into buttons to allow for increased legibility and larger touchpoints.
- "This Week in GeorgiaGov" blog posts are still included on the homepage after the prioritization of mobile friendly navigation.







Thank you.

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