# The <meter> element

The <meter> element displays colored bars to represent numeric values.

It can be useful to display a colored gauge to show disk usage, to highlight the relevance of a query result, or the fraction of a voting population that favours a particular candidate, etc. This element is often used with the <input type="range"> field as an instant feedback indicator.



```
<meter min=50 max=200 low=90 high=119 optimum=100></meter>
Blood Pressure:
```

The <meter> element should not be used to indicate progress. You should instead use a a progress> element.

This element is supported by all major browsers, on desktop and mobile devices.

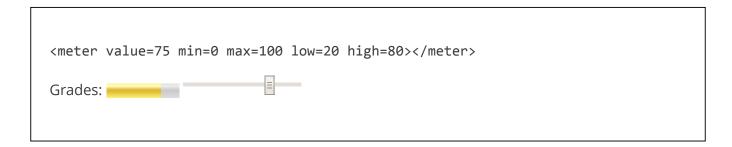
# TYPICAL USE

```
Storage space used: <meter value=75 min=0max=100 low=20 high=98></meter>
```

The <meter> element uses the easy-to-understand value, min,max, low and high attributes. The low and high attributes will affect the color of the bar, and of course the constraint min <low < high < max should be respected.

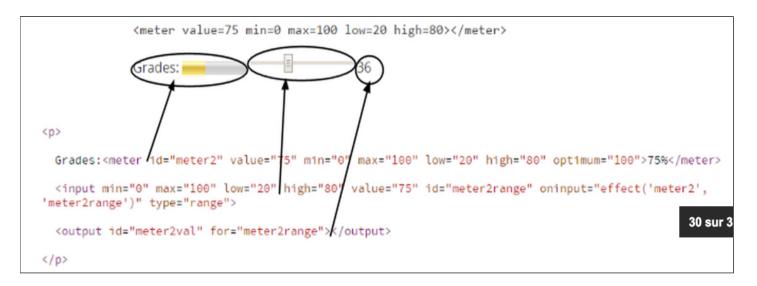
#### INTERACTIVE EXAMPLE

Try the next example online at JS Bin or just play with it in your browser by dragging the slider below:



Source code of the example:

## **Explanations:**



The color of the gauge changes depending on the attribute's values:

- If the value is between min and low, the meter is red.
- If the value is the low value, the high value, or anywhere in between, the meter is yellow.
- If the value is between high and max, it will be green.
- Currently the optimum value has no noticeable effect.

## **EXTERNAL RESOURCE**

A good article about <meter> is to be found on the css-trick Web site. It shows how to use

proprietary CSS pseudo classes to style the element.