Split buttons

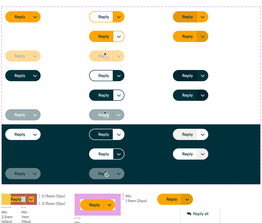
Split buttons support a button with related actions. These actions open in an overflow menu when clicked.

Primary

Use a primary split button to add related actions to the strongest call to action on a page. Primary split buttons should only appear once per container (not including the application header or in a modal dialog). Not every screen requires a primary split button.

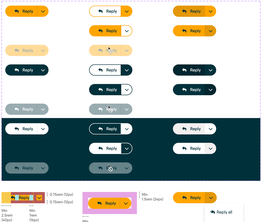
A little overlap of 85% brightness will be applied to the default states for the active state.

The menu should open to the below and to the right by default but should change position depending on screen space available. The menu should be able to be dismissed by clicking anywhere outside the menu.



Primary split button (with icon)

Use an icon to support a primary split button. See example below where an arrow icon is used to highlight that the button action is to reply. The icon can be added before or after the button copy. Whichever is most relevant



Primary split button (small)

When there is limited space a small primary split button variant can be used.

Primary split button (small with icon)

Use an icon to support a primary split button (small). See example below where an arrow icon is used to highlight that the button action is to reply. The icon can be added before or after the button copy. Whichever is most relevant

Secondary

Use a secondary split button to add related actions to a secondary action on a page. It can either be paired alongside a primary button on used on it's own to support a secondary actions for the user.

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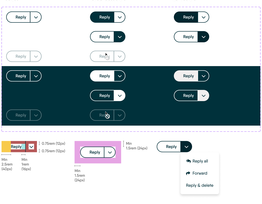
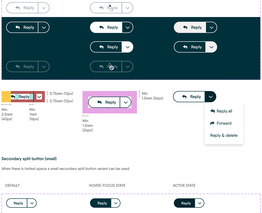


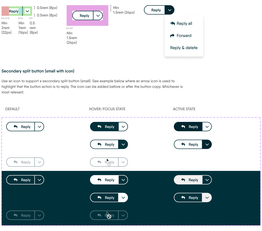
Secondary split button (with icon)

Use an icon to support a secondary split button. See example below where an arrow icon is used to highlight that the button action is to reply. The icon can be added before or after the button copy. Whichever is most relevant.



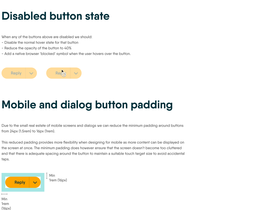
Secondary split button (small)

When there is limited space a small secondary split button variant can be used.



Secondary split button (small with icon)

Use an icon to support a secondary split button (small). See example below where an arrow icon is used to highlight that the button action is to reply. The icon can be added before or after the button copy. Whichever is most relevant.



Disabled button state

Where any of the buttons above are disabled we should
- Reduce the opacity of the text to 38%
- Reduce the opacity of the button to 40%
- Add a native browser 'blocked' symbol when the user hovers over the button.

Mobile and dialog button padding

Due to the small real estate of mobile screens and dialogs we can reduce the minimum padding around buttons from Days 3 (Sand) to Nyx (Nerd).

This reduced padding provides more flexibility when designing for mobile as more content can be displayed on the screen at once. The minimum padding does however ensure that the screen doesn't become too cluttered and that there is adequate spacing around the button to maintain a suitable touch target size to avoid accidental taps.

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