

scheduler-dev performance metrics

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This document defines the main performance metrics that are used to measure the effectiveness of scheduling changes.

Unless mentioned otherwise, a smaller number is better for each metric.

Main thread smoothness and responsiveness (i.e., Blink scheduler)

- Key mobile sites (smoothness.key_mobile_sites_smooth)
 - [first gesture scroll update latency](#) (how quickly the browser starts scrolling from an idle state. Note that this can be a lot higher during page load compared to the steady state. Target: [<50ms](#))
 - Note: queuing_durations is deprecated because does not differentiate between cases where the main thread is prioritized vs. when it isn't.
- Tough ad cases (smoothness.scrolling_tough_ad_cases)
 - [first gesture scroll update latency](#) (how quickly the browser starts scrolling from an idle state, Target: [<50ms](#))
- UMA
 - [Scheduling.Renderer.BeginMainFrameIntervalCritical](#) (interval between main thread frames when the main thread is on the critical rendering path. Target: [60Hz](#))
 - [Scheduling.Renderer.BeginMainFrameToCommitDuration](#)
 - Missing: latency for first scroll update when we scroll on the compositor but had to go via the main thread (most common case after pure compositor scrolling.) -- essentially a subset of Event.Latency.TouchToFirstScrollUpdateSwapBegin
 - Missing: frame latency for touch handler based interactions (as opposed to scrolling)

Compositor smoothness and responsiveness (i.e., cc::Scheduler)

- Key mobile sites (smoothness.key_mobile_sites_smooth)
 - [mean input event latency](#) (average latency of input event handling. Target: [<16.6ms](#))
- Tough ad cases (smoothness.scrolling_tough_ad_cases)
 - [mean input event latency](#) (average latency of input event handling. Target: [<16.6ms](#))
- Tough scheduling cases (scheduler.tough_scheduling_cases)
 - [frame times](#) (interval between rendered frames. Target: [60Hz](#))

- [frame_time_discrepancy](#) (amount of variability in frame rendering times. Target: 0)
- UMA
 - [Scheduling.Renderer.DrawInterval](#) (time between successive draws. Target: 60Hz)
 - [Scheduling.Renderer.CommitInterval](#) (time between successive draws that resulted in a commit. Target: 60Hz)
 - Amount of checkerboarding: [Compositing.RenderPass.AppendQuadData.*](#)
 - Missing: Something about swap throttling
 - Finer grained metrics
 - [Scheduling.Renderer.PrepareTilesDuration](#)
 - [Scheduling.Renderer.CommitToReadyToActivateDuration](#)
 - [Scheduling.Renderer.ActivateDuration](#)
 - [Scheduling.Renderer.DrawDuration](#)
 - [Scheduling.Renderer.SwapToAckLatency](#)