Mastering WordPress Core Web Vitals in 2025

Optimize your WordPress site for speed and user experience with Google's updated metrics.

Based on Google Core Web Vitals Optimization Guide For Wordpress Sites by Casey's SEO

< 2.5s	Target LCP
< 200ms	Target INP
< 0.1	Target CLS
3x higher if > 3s load	Mobile Bounce Rate

INP Replaces FID

Interaction to Next Paint (INP) now measures overall responsiveness, replacing First Input Delay (FID) for a more comprehensive user experience metric.

Image Optimization Quick Win

Converting images to WebP, implementing lazy loading, and compressing sizes can drastically improve LCP, often reducing load times from 8s to under 3s.

Tackle Code Bloat

Optimize CSS and JavaScript by using performance plugins, auditing plugins, and considering speed-focused themes to reduce unnecessary code.

Caching Strategy

Implement page-level caching, object caching (Redis/Memcached), and CDN integration to serve pre-built website versions for faster loading.

Mobile-First Focus

Optimize for mobile by testing on real devices, prioritizing above-the-fold content, and simplifying interactions due to slower connections and less powerful hardware.

Resources & Further Reading

Related guides for this summary:

- Optimize WordPress Core Web Vitals for Better Performance (Process Flow)

https://storage.googleapis.com/casey-s-seo-checklists-20260706-6f5cfe/casey-s-seo/Process%20Flow/google-core-web-vitals-optimization-guide-for-wordpress-sites-process-flow.pdf

- Core Web Vitals Optimization Action Sheet for WordPress

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