

	DotNetNuke	Alfresco Community Edition	Drupal	Plone	Joomla
Version	4.4.5	2.1	5.2	3.0	1.0.13
Publisher	DotNetNuke Corporation	Alfresco Software	Drupal	Plone Foundation	Open Source Matters
Rating	Very Good	Excellent	Very Good	Very Good	Very Good
Criteria (weight)					
Ease-of-use (25%)	9	9	8	9	8
Features (25%)	8	10	8	8	8
Security (15%)	8	9	9	8	8
Scalability (15%)	9	9	8	9	9
Management (10%)	8	8	8	9	9
Value (10%)	8	9	9	9	9
Score	8.4	9.2	8.3	8.6	8.4
Cost	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
License	BSD-style license	GPL 2 with FLOSS exception	GPL	GPL	GPL
Platforms	ASP.NET, Windows Server, SQL Server 2005	Windows and Linux	Apache or IIS Web servers; Unix, Linux, BSD, Solaris, Windows or Mac OS X; PHP; PHP-supported database server (MySQL or PostgreSQL)	Windows, Mac OS X, BSD, Solaris and SuSE	Apache, PHP, MySQL
Support					
Website	dotnetnuke.com	alfresco.com	drupal.org	plone.org	joomla.org
Bottom Line	Written in VB.Net, DotNetNuke is an extensible content management system suitable for intranets, extranets, and public Web sites. The core distribution includes three dozen CMS modules, including a skin system (based on simple templates) that separates design from content, personalization, and search; other modules range from e-commerce systems and photo galleries to blogs, forums, and wikis. Commercial publishers offer other components.	This very inclusive offering, developed using Java, sits on top of a JSR-170 content repository. Out of the box Alfresco provides a Web portal framework; CIFS (file share) interface that works on Windows and Linux clients; and a Web-content management system — plus document, image, and records management. Further, Alfresco scales well with options for deploying content to multiple servers.	Written in PHP, Drupal's Web application framework anchors a content management system that includes modules for e-commerce and workflow. Drupal, unlike other systems, also has a taxonomy system to classify content — but this does take extra work to configure (as does setup). Themes are created with the standard PHPTemplate engine. A blogging system makes this system good for building online communities.	The Plone CMS, which is built on top of the Zope application server, performs well for intranets — as well as a document management server and team collaboration tool. The system is easy to use and also notable for its multi-lingual capabilities. Additionally, Plone powers a number of high-traffic Internet sites, though this configuration should include additional components, such as Squid caching.	Joomla, written with PHP and back-ended by a MySQL database, is appropriate for external Web sites and intranets. The system's caching provides good performance on higher-volume sites while various extensions cover essential CMS functions; these plugins include news, blogs, polls, search, and internationalization. To further expand functionality, such as site backup, both free and commercial components are readily available.