

# Mozilla unleashes sleek new Firefox Web browser

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Nonprofit group Mozilla made Firefox 4 available as a free download to computers powered by Windows, Mac OS X or Linux operating systems in more than 80 languages.

Firefox 4 was billed as six times faster than its predecessor and boasted features including a "Do Not Track" signal to opt-out of having online

activities recorded by websites for targeted online ads or services.

The open-source Web browsing software was also designed as a stage for rich video or game graphics based on the HTML5 standard being touted as a boon for online visual experiences.

"Firefox puts users in control of their Web experience, providing a streamlined user interface, fun new features, a boost in speed and support for modern Web technologies," Mozilla said in an online message.

Powerful new versions of Chrome and IE9 Web browsers were released earlier this month by [Google](#) and Microsoft, respectively, putting pressure on California based Mozilla to release a finished version of Firefox 4.

Microsoft's [Internet Explorer](#) is the most widely used Web browser in the United States followed by [Firefox](#), [Chrome](#) and Apple's Safari.

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