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Subject: Re: Dual Monitors on PC?

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"Richard Younger" <younger@ll.mit.edu> wrote in message  
news:3A0C35C4.4590908F@ll.mit.edu...

> "Pavel A. Romashkin" wrote:

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>> As far as I know, Windows 98 (maybe W 2000) is the only Windows  
>> supporting dual monitors. There is no way to set this up under NT or 95.

>> David Fanning wrote:

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>>> Has anyone ever seen IDL running on dual monitors  
>>> on a PC? I've seen dual monitors on UNIX and I've  
>>> seen it on Macs. But I've never seen it on PCs.  
>>> Does anyone know if it is even possible? What  
>>> graphics card?

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> I'm locked into NT myself, and I knew that NT doesn't support multiples,  
> so I had just assumed that none of the Windows variants would have  
> native support for dual monitors. But, I guess you're right that 98  
> does. Go figure.

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> I was curious so I checked the web, and MS among others has an article  
> or two out on it, and you do have to tweak the settings a tad, so it  
> isn't as drop-dead simple as on a Mac, but it doesn't look bad at all.  
> They say they don't support all cards, so one might want to check if one  
> doesn't have a common graphics card. While I was at it, I also checked  
> to see if 2000 supports the same feature, and it doesn't look like it.  
> For Windows, it's 98 or buy yourself a special card.

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> Well, y'learn something new every day.

Yes, you do. Windows 2000 supports multiple monitors. I used two until  
they took

the second monitor away from me :-( The setup is trivial and effectively  
gives

you a bigger screen. My X server Exceed can be configured to have multiple  
X

screens or treat both screens together as one big screen.

--Harvey

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