
Subject: Re: RSI is a money thirsty beast!!
Posted by [andy](#) on Fri, 10 Jun 1994 16:18:22 GMT
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Guan-Hsong Hsu,

I suppose one could think of RSI as a "money thirsty beast", but then again they are simply trying to survive as software developers in a market which has some real stiff competition. They have to be able to pay good programmers and support people what they are worth, or the whole company will lose out to those who *ARE* willing and able to pay for the good people. I am sure that marketing also costs them a pretty penny, and the acquisition of more users is vital to sustaining a competitive business. They can't allow other companies to obtain an increasingly large client base without trying to do the same (hopefully at a faster pace). This all costs \$\$, so we are paying for their survival with the hope that the product's value (to us anyway) will increase.

There prices are not LOW, but their product is reasonably robust and getting better (I think) all the time. We are happy to pay what is necessary for them to stay around. I do wish, however, that the money were spent to improve some of the core routines that aren't quite right (like I think they are doing with contour) before they begin working on new Gee-whiz features that I may never use. This newsgroup is full of complaints about interpolation problems, contouring mistakes, documentation omissions, etc.

...just an alternative view...

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