
Subject: "free" screen size

Posted by [lory](#) on Sat, 25 Nov 2006 13:46:07 GMT

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How can I find the "free" screen size ? I mean the size of the area available to display GUIs, something like the dimensions returned by GET_SCREEN_SIZE but subtracting the area dedicated to the task bar, if it is displayed.

Lory

Subject: Re: "free" screen size

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 29 Nov 2006 20:42:41 GMT

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Dick Jackson writes:

> Please note: I have only tested this on Windows, so any fixes for Unix are
> welcome.

Thanks for this. We are now getting much closer to what we are looking for, I think. Andrew has been doing some additional work on his little kludge (which has become less a kludge and something more helpful) and if I find a few minutes I thought I might write an article on this "dark side of IDL" topic.

Although, I have to admit, there are probably only three people in the world who are anal enough to care about this, and we are writing notes to each other! Still, if there was a way to figure all this out, I know I would sleep better at night. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: "free" screen size

Posted by [Andrew Cool](#) on Wed, 29 Nov 2006 22:48:02 GMT

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Do you know her, David?

Andrew

Subject: Re: "free" screen size
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 29 Nov 2006 23:24:18 GMT
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andrew.cool@dsto.defence.gov.au writes:

> Odd. My wife also employs the adjective "anal" when she talks about me.
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> Do you know her, David?

No, no. Never met her. Sounds like my kind of woman, though. :-)

Cheers,

David

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