

How to copy an MS Excel graphic from the system clipboard to an image control and obtain its source reference in .Net with either VB.Net or C#

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Hello,

Here is what I'm trying to do:

- Make sure both MS Excel and MS Word are running
- Create an Excel chart
- Save the Excel file
- Copy the Excel chart onto the clipboard using Ctrl + C
- Go to Word and look under Edit > Paste Special
- Note there is a source reference and an option to paste the chart as a metafile, etc.
- I would like to take this same information and make it available in a C# or VB.Net app

For example, create a simple Windows application with a userform, an image control, a label and a single command button.

Let's say that after the Excel chart is on the clipboard, one clicks the Windows application command button and Voila!, the imate control now contains a copy of the Excel chart and the label contains the reference information.

I can make this work utilizing older technologies (i.e. WIN API to access the clipboard, etc.).

Currently, when I try to set the image control in C#, I get a "cannot implicitly convert ..." blah blah error. Don't even know where to begin to obtain the source reference.

Either I do not understand the currently available clipboard functionality under .Net or this is still only possible via the WIN API.

Any assistance would be appreciated.

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Best Regards,

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