

Re: Vista reference in Newsweek's article

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fwiw, MS is not racing to get the next version of Windows out. MS announced years ago that new versions of Windows would be released in a three year cycle. We are at the mid-point of the three years following the release of the last version and no doubt we will see Windows 7 beta 1 before many more months.

"executioner" <FrankNeedsAPsychologist@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
<news:7a28f3ed-f04e-4365-8f17-5333f119c498@xx>
On Jun 22, 5:13 pm, w...@xxxxxxxxxx (the wharf rat) wrote:

In article <OkfuwTJIHA.3...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>, Carey Frisch [MVP] <cnfri...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

>Windows Vista, especially with SP1, is an
>excellent operating system with nice performance.

Well, as long as you don't need to copy files.

>Microsoft has sold over 150 million editions
>of Windows Vista to very satisfied customers.

Yes. Customers like Dell and Toshiba.

You can make numbers show whatever you want. If the 150 million number is correct, and it is also correct most copies of Vista come PREINSTALLED (that is true) so buyers have little choice consider the following. According to the World Bank in 2002 there were roughly 1 billion personal computers. Since that was several years ago lets update that number to say now there are probably something like 1.2 billion. If Apple has roughly 6% of the market and Linux and others have another 2% combined then throw in how many are not used just sitting idle for one reason or another we end up with roughly 800,000,000 personal computers running one version or another of Windows. If Microsoft's figures are accurate that means 650,000,000 people HAVE NOT upgraded to Vista. That by any measure is a total flop. Surprise, that number is close the Microsoft's own 84% have NOT upgraded. Anyone still wondering WHY Microsoft is racing to get the

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http://maps.grida.no/go/graphic/number_of_personal_computers

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