

## Re: XP SP2, nicest update ever seen

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Well done, Brent

I totally agree with you. The good OS has to be transparent to the user and not a burden. Like you I am wasting hours after hours after hours of my time (extremely expensive) searching for patches, drivers, etc just to make this "monster", called Windows XP work. I am pretty sure that we are not alone in this world and that there are millions of other professionals and home users suffering from the same problem.

Val.

"brent" <brent@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message news:EEAB29E0-76C1-4125-AEB1-5F0FCDAABC62@microsoft.com...  
> *I think I do know what I am doing – I am a Windows/Unix/PalmOS/PocketPC  
> developer and have been involved with computers since I was 8 years old –  
I'm  
> now 32.  
>  
> Having said that, you don't need to be some kind of genius to do a simple  
> comparison of the problems experienced by Windows users. Windows 2000  
worked  
> much better than XP has ever worked.  
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> Forget about viruses, spam, spyware and all the other excuses – try  
Windows  
> XP on a completely stand-alone PC disconnected from the net – it's still  
> awkward to use compared to the previous systems (and is generally much  
> slower).  
>  
> Simple example (and this is one of many I've experienced) – under Windows  
> 2000, I could run my video card at 1280 x 1024 – now the most current  
drivers  
> (direct from nVidia) can only manage 1152 x 864 and at a lower refresh  
rate.  
> Not a big problem – it's not going to change my life, but add in all the  
> other issues and it does become a more pressing matter, don't you agree?  
>  
> I know there are many XP users, along with Linux users, etc., who are  
deeply  
> passionate about their choice of operating system and won't hear a bad*

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> *said against it. That's ok, I don't want to change the world, I just want*

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> *simple life so I can get on with my job (which isn't re-configuring*

Windows

> *or searching for drivers that work with the latest patch every 5 minutes).*

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> *Get my drift?*