

Two Regular-sized Monitors or One Really Big One?

I've had two monitors from years. Getting a new computer and my IT guy asked if I was interested in a single really large screen. What say you guys?

Multiples. I work with three. 23/17s The best reason for multiple monitors is if you hold any online conferences wherein you demonstrate or present anything online but still want to keep your practice running behind the scenes. I do a lot of WebTMS Trademark Management System training, and having multiple monitors enables me to keep my email and other programs open but allow the conference attendees to see *ONLY* the one monitor I assign to the conference/demo. I can train and still watch my email on another monitor without the attendees seeing how I am multi-tasking. My set up is as follows:

Left Monitor: Set up for split screen, so one half is used to keep my time tracking software running and the other half holds my list of standard time entry templates;

Middle Monitor: Dedicated to browsers and WebTMS; Right Monitor: Dedicated to Outlook.

Hope this helps. Thx.

Lyza L. Sandgren, not a lawyer

I think it would be overwhelming to have a huge screen in front of me. I use two mid-sized monitors, and I'm happy with the options they give me.

YMMV.

Scott I Barer, California

I view monitors like deskpace. It really depends - do you like one really big desk, or several smaller desks? I personally prefer several desks.

That's why I went with 4 24" monitors. At any given time, I'm using all 4 monitors. It's especially handy when having to view multiple documents while drafting

something. I like the separate monitors because documents quickly and easily snap into place into each monitor - 4 documents, 1 per monitor. I'm not sure if that would work so well on a single huge, curved monitor.

Eugene Lee, California

One can also bounce windows from one monitor to another, which I find really useful, as opposed to having to either manually resize and position windows or try to just tile everything.

Michael Koenecke, Texas

I think multiple monitors are better for your eyes as the user must shift eyes from monitor to monitor, stimulating tearing in the eyes.

Richard P. Schmitt, Maryland

I am a bit surprised that not a soul liked the BIG MONITOR option over two small ones. To be clear, it would not be a large widescreen but an ultra-wide monitor. Like this -

<https://www.cdw.com/product/LG-29UB67-B-29-LED-backlit-LCD-Black/3705331>

Just checking that we all thinking about the same options.

Thank you again.

Deb Matthews, Virginia

I think we are. You can split the screen on an ultrawide and work with documents side by side, but it's much easier to just put the separate documents on different screens. I have three monitors: a 27" monitor, a 28" monitor, and my laptop's 17" monitor. The larger two monitors are large enough to display documents, etc. side by side but I seldom bother because it's easier to just open up documents in separate windows.

Kevin W. Grierson, Virginia

I saw the ultrawide monitor. On my system, using PowerPro, I have an icon that sits in the window caption just to the left of the minimize/maximize/close buttons which looks kind of like this: "< >". It is really handy; clicking on that icon bounces a window from one screen to the other. You can also do this with hotkeys. Really easy to just move something to one side to compare documents, for example, instead of having to tile all open windows. When it's just one big (or wide) monitor, you can't do that.

Michael Koenecke

If one, why only 29 inches? Why not 60 or so?

Roger M. Rosen, California