
Subject: Should I?

Posted by [JeepRubi](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 01:20:17 GMT

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I just finished downloading the windows vista beta and im not sure if i should install it and risk my system.

Basicly what im asking is, is it reliable enough to rely on it to run my system?

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [Dogg](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 01:30:32 GMT

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I've got three versions on 3 systems running fine.

People I tell not to use it are home built systems...factory built ones have more stable and known configurations...if all your parts are mainstream...you won't(shouldn't) have issues...

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [JeepRubi](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 01:37:09 GMT

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My system is facory built but ive upgraded the video card and ram. Would this still be a problem?

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [z310](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 03:02:30 GMT

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Shouldn't be.

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 03:09:44 GMT

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Windows vista is stupid. From what I see, it's just a fancier looking windows XP that eats up even more of your computer's resources.

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [mision08](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 03:26:32 GMT

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I don't think it's stupid. It may not look or act any different than XP, but it is 64 bit compatible. That is also the biggest problem users have with Vista. Make sure you have ALL of the drivers for your system. Make sure that they are 64 bit compatible, and you should be fine.

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [AmunRa](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 03:44:24 GMT
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I'm not even going to waste my time with this OS until a year after its been it, I know MS will release 10303274 service packs and patches within that time, so I will wait.

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [DarkDemin](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 04:10:37 GMT
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I am running vista beta 2 on a homebuild AMD 2600+ Athlon XP Thunderbird with 512 ram and a 9600XT. Runs fine just uses about 400mb of ram just to idle. :-\ Haven't found any severe bugs so far, no crashes or BSoDs. Oh and that factory built statement is bullshit. I've had more problems with factory built machines than I have ever had with my homebuilt stuff.

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [Dave Anderson](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 06:09:46 GMT
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400MB RAM just to idle? That really seems like alot to me. I don't think I am going to bother with a new OS either until I get around to building a new computer.

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [glyde51](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 06:30:11 GMT
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I'm going to get Windows Vista just go get the kickass styles. >_>

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [mision08](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 08:04:57 GMT
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If you have an older P4 processor you better think twice before switching to vista.

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [light](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 09:28:01 GMT
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I'm trying to get it going on a Virtual Machine, but I think my ISO didn't download properly :/

Try VMWare, that way you don't run any risk.

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 10:39:51 GMT
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Dead Dave wrote on Sun, 25 June 2006 07:09400MB RAM just to idle? That really seems like alot to me. I don't think I am going to bother with a new OS either until I get around to building a new computer.

my winxp uses 330mb idling, so it does not seem that big a jump to me..

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [Goztow](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 11:44:09 GMT
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Not gonna try it before Service Pack 2...

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [JeepRubi](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 11:54:13 GMT
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Is there any catch? I mean there giving out a free operating system. Like after its released, are they going to make you pay for it?

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [Goztow](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 12:08:46 GMT
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The beta will probably expire on a certain date?

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [JeepRubi](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 12:18:18 GMT

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If it does, that means i have te re install my OS?

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 12:18:50 GMT

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afaik the beta expires about 2 months after vista is due to be released, and after this only the core os will work, most applications and such won't work until you buy a licence key. probably like winXP safe mode but with less functionality...

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [DarkDemin](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 12:42:21 GMT

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People are already working on cracking that.

<http://apocmedia.com/forums/viewtopic.php?t=484>

Read that to see what i like about vista.

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [JeepRubi](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 13:11:52 GMT

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Ive decided not to install it because I dont ever plan on buying it unless i get it with my next computer.

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 13:30:45 GMT

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Let me just say that is probably the stupidest thing I've heard in a long time.

If you downloaded it, why wouldn't you take the extra step to actually install it? I know it's not a small file, so why?

Now you choose not to install it? What does you not planning to buy it have anything to do with trying the BETA? You test drive cars even though you're never going to get them, so what's the difference here? Besides the install and uninstall, but you could always find the BETA useful and continue to use it. It's not like you have to uninstall it 5 hours later...

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 16:56:56 GMT
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I hear it has 100% blocked any kind of P2P network

And that is a VERY bad thing!

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [terminator 101](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 17:50:33 GMT
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troop, seriously? wow.

Well, they have to destroy Kazaa somehow, because viruses don't seem to work.

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [mision08](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 19:20:01 GMT
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lol priceless

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I've had a copy of it for maybe 6 months and have not even begun to round up drivers for it. The more I looked into it, the less reason I found to install it. If I understand things correctly, the advantage to Vista is it's capability of utilizing up to a terabyte of ram. I think that is 16 megabytes, not sure. It's way more than I have.

If you do want to install it for a trial version. I would suggest partitioning your hard drive into 3 sections. Install your current OS first, then Vista second. Vista should recognize your current OS (not the other way around). Then you will have 2 working OS to select from on boot up. When Vista expires you will not be scrambling to get your PC in order.

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 20:36:14 GMT

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Terminator 101 wrote on Sun, 25 June 2006 12:50troop, seriously? wow.
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Not just Kazaa, all Bittorrent, eDonkey, etc

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 21:07:13 GMT
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And it will take all of ohhhh.. about a day.. before the p2p software developers get around that....
(ok, maybe longer, but nobody seriously thinks they wont do they?)

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [mision08](#) on Sun, 25 Jun 2006 22:10:25 GMT
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You can't use dual boot to download a torrent? What do you use Kazaa for? Please don't tell me thats how you get mp3's or software.
advanced searching is your friend

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [z310](#) on Mon, 26 Jun 2006 00:22:28 GMT
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Probably the only thing I am looking forward to with Vista is to be able to enjoy HD movies, so I'll upgrade to Vista when I get a video card and monitor that are HDCP compliant.

HDCP, for those of you that don't know, is probably going to be a content protection system for HD movies. It will protect video as is travels from the transmitter to the reciever by encryption. It's going to make people who want to enjoy HD movies on their computers buy HDCP compliant parts (new video card, monitor, etc.) and use Vista. (Please correct me if I am wrong at all here.)

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Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Mon, 26 Jun 2006 15:52:43 GMT
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danpaul88 wrote on Sun, 25 June 2006 16:07And it will take all of ohhhh.. about a day.. before the p2p software developers get around that....

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It blocks any outgoing ports that appear suspicious, beta testers have said that I wouldn't even let them download from rapidshare etc. Its also a hardware limitation because the ports are physically designed to be turned off and on by the OS on call.

Anyway, im not saying the system is 100% secruer, but even with the holes/exploits in the beta, no one can find anything to get around this problem. The minimal it would need would be a piece of hardware built into our system to disable that, but even that alone is complex...

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Mon, 26 Jun 2006 22:46:45 GMT

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I don't know anything about the technical details of how vista blocks ports, but I expect someone will crack the core OS if needed if that's what it takes to unlock them again. It might slow down p2p in the long run, but someone somewhere will get past it.

And there's nothing to stop people dual booting with linux to get their p2p fix...

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Tue, 27 Jun 2006 00:05:33 GMT

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Like I said, it is also a physical, hardware issue. I "Mod" chip will be needed. Although the dual boot issue isnt one I thought about. Now im thinking, if you used linux on a vista-built-factory PC, with the port limitaion, would it have the same effect as with Vista? Good question, anyone know the answer?

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [mision08](#) on Tue, 27 Jun 2006 02:29:54 GMT
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A new EULA contract explained in 6:14, very informative

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Tue, 27 Jun 2006 10:27:18 GMT
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I don't see how they can force people to have a particular hardware setup to use vista, after all it is compatible with current PC's which were built before vista's port blocking, so I expect that dual-booting to Linux would get around the problem. But as I said before, I don't know how it works so perhaps you are right...

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [AmunRa](#) on Thu, 29 Jun 2006 05:00:22 GMT
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I have an awesome solution for you, just use vmware, www.vmware.com
you will need vm workstation 5

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [Goztow](#) on Thu, 29 Jun 2006 07:22:02 GMT
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If Vista blocks too many P2P services, I don't think that people will change to it quite frankly.

I'd rather use Win 98 than using Vista if it limits me too much. And Linux also come with a lot of nice GUI now.

Think of the impact on broadband-companies. Who's going to give out money for high speed broadband if it ain't to download a lot. People using up over 20 giga per month, don't do that by simply surfing/gaming/downloading legal stuff...

The future in piracy combat will probably be hardware protections but there will always be people finding a way around it. And it will probably give a nice black market for computers without the hardware chip.

Subject: Re: Should I?
Posted by [Jecht](#) on Thu, 29 Jun 2006 10:31:25 GMT
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Friend of mine says his Vista Idles at 1,056. Over a gig...

To be fair though, it was an early release of it.

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [WNxCABAL](#) on Thu, 29 Jun 2006 18:21:56 GMT

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I've installed Vista 32bit edition on my P4 2.8GHz, 512mb Memory and works like a charm!

A very good, Different OS!

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Thu, 29 Jun 2006 20:59:46 GMT

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Have you tryed using kazaa/limewire or bittorrent? Did you noticed any cap on speeds?

Subject: Re: Should I?

Posted by [DarkDemin](#) on Thu, 29 Jun 2006 22:41:22 GMT

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Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Fri, 30 Jun 2006 00:36:13 GMT

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ummm, wtf would I make this up. Go ask anyone that knows anything about Vista, Microsoft themselves have said they plan to block out all P2P, but people who beta'd the 1st version say there is only a cap on the ports.
