

Announcing Microsoft Operating System/2.

A new standard for the
next generation
of personal computing.

Yesterday we made an announcement with far-reaching implications for the future of personal computing: Microsoft Operating System/2.

We had a vision for the future, and for the operating system and hardware that could deliver it.

With the arrival of MS OS/2., that vision has become a reality, making it possible for the next generation of computing to advance in ways that are essential to our customers and to the growth of personal computer technology.

MS OS/2 represents a major step forward from our original MS-DOS® operating system—the industry standard that now runs on more than 10 million machines worldwide. MS OS/2 works at the heart of the newest personal systems, as well as with existing computers built around the Intel® 80286 and 80386 microprocessors.

What's more, most of the MS-DOS applications designed for IBM® PCs and compatibles will continue to run under MS OS/2.

Microsoft will be making MS OS/2 available to software and hardware manufacturers, who will now be able to develop a broad new range of customer solutions, including advanced personal workstations and integrated offices. And with the introduction of the Microsoft Operating System/2 LAN Manager, MS OS/2 will serve as the foundation for connectivity between personal computers.

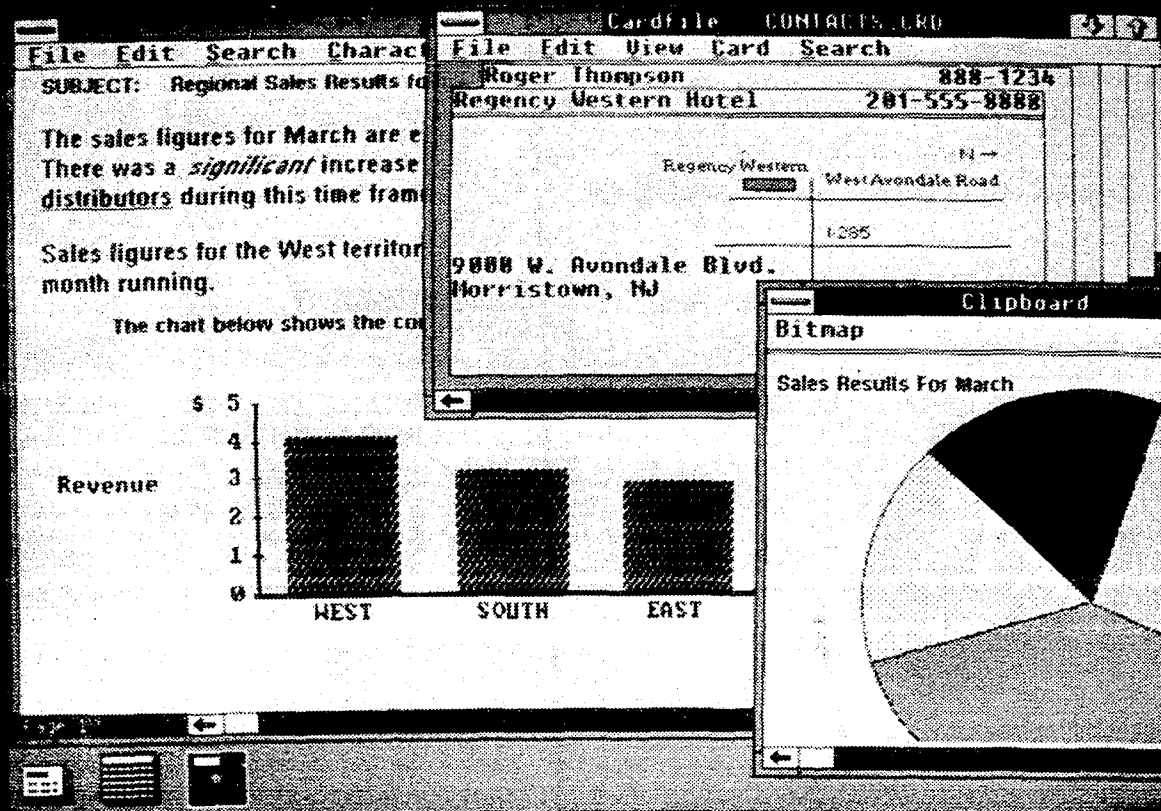
MS OS/2: an open system resulting from IBM and Microsoft working together.

Windows presentation manager: The MS OS/2 standard that will change the way you look at computing.

The Microsoft® Windows graphical user interface was considered visionary when we announced it in 1983. Now that same kind of power is built into the standard, through the Microsoft Windows presentation manager that's included as part of MS OS/2.

Microsoft has been a pioneer in the development of graphical user interface software because we believe that it makes people more productive, more quickly. The Windows presentation manager allows computer users to take more intuitive control of their machines. You can see the difference for yourself.

This important innovation sets the foundation for a whole new era of applications, from desktop publishing to integrated programs that will allow you to combine spreadsheets with text and high-quality graphics.



Microsoft Operating System/2. Microsoft Operating System/2 LAN Manager. Microsoft Windows presentation manager. Important announcements from Microsoft that will be key to how you think about personal computing for years to come.

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