Free Software in the Globalized World

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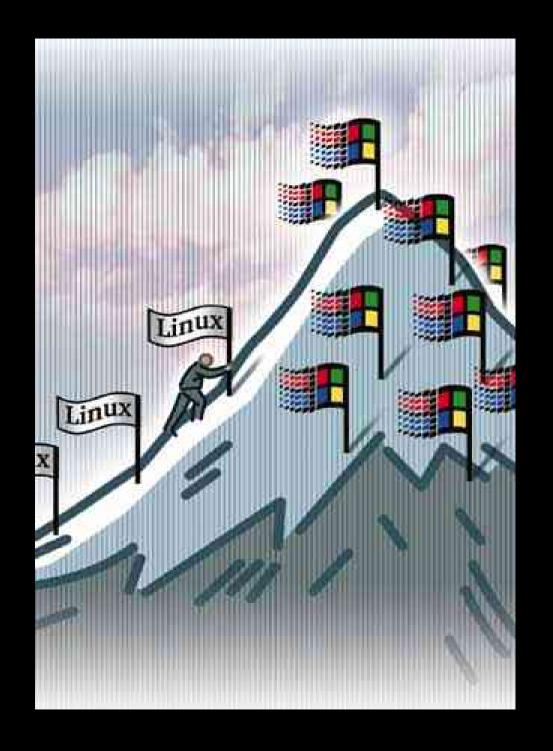
"What the Berlin Wall was to politics, Munich is to technology. I believe we are now witnessing that dramatic break to freedom of choice." SuSE CEO Richard Seibt



"May 28-30: To further diversify his holdings, Ballmer sells 10.6 million shares of Microsoft stock for \$259.5 million; keeps 411 million shares."

USA Today

www.usatoday.com/e-print/linux.htm



Wall Street:

Merrill Lynch, Morgan Stanley, Credit Suisse First Boston and others use Linux servers for transactions and do pilot programs for Linux desktops.

England:

Military and intelligence agencies use Linux servers.

Extremadura, Spain:

 Regional government plans to deploy 100,000 Linux desktop PCs in schools, government offices, businesses and homes.

Hollywood, Calif.:

Disney, Pixar and DreamWorks use Linux servers and desktops widely to create animated movies and special effects.

Key Largo, Fla.:

City workers use 800 Linux desktop PCs.

Brazit:

Bank employees at Banrisul use 4,000 Linux desktop PCs. Students at Universidad Estadual do Rio Grande do Sul use 1,300 Linux desktop PCs.

Germany:

Munich to use 14,000 Linux PCs. Debeka insurance company uses 3,000 Linux PCs and city of Schwaebisch Hall uses 400 Linux PCs. More than 500 government agencies subscribed to a federal policy to make wider use of open-source software.

China:

Government and business last year joined forces on a long-term "Raise the Sail" project to develop simplified Linux desktops for the vast Chinese market. Beijing city government already uses 2000 Linux desktops, with plans to use more.

Belgium:

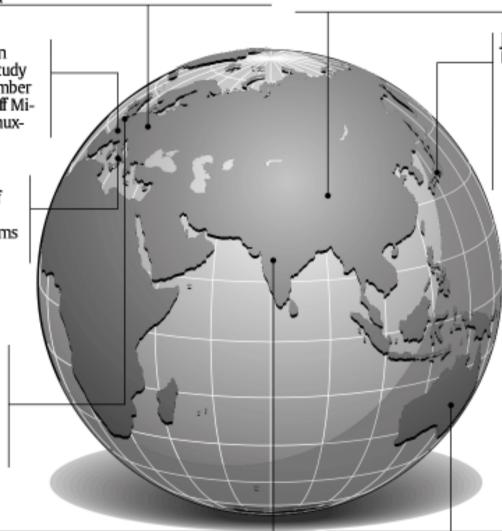
 European Union commissions study on moving member governments off Microsoft onto Linuxbased systems.

Italy:

 Department of Innovation and Technology forms commission to study Linux.

France:

Ministries of taxes, culture, defense and education use some Linux servers.



Japan:

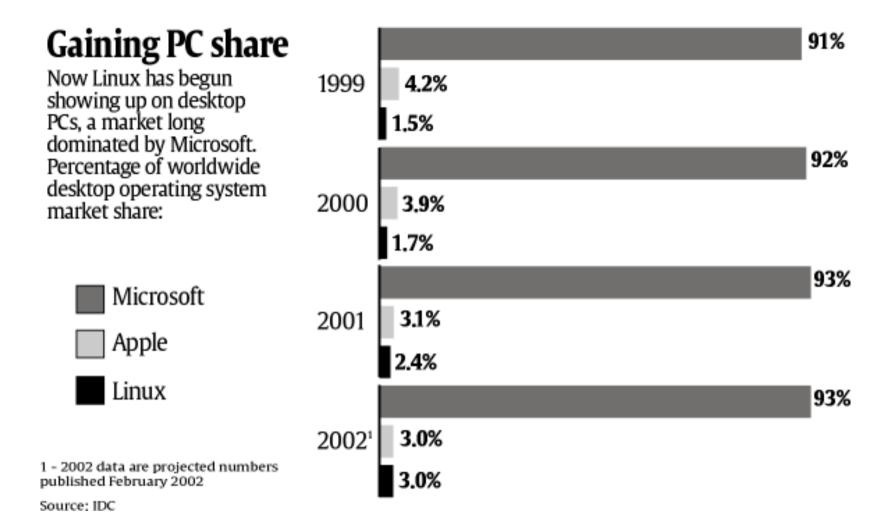
Sony and Matsushita band with other manufacturers for further use of Linux on digital video recorders, audiovisual devices and other consumer electronics goods.

India:

IBM and Acer of Taiwan each introduce new line of Linux PCs for the Indian market; Hewlett-Packard and LG Electronics of Korea already sell Linux products for e-government, defense and education.

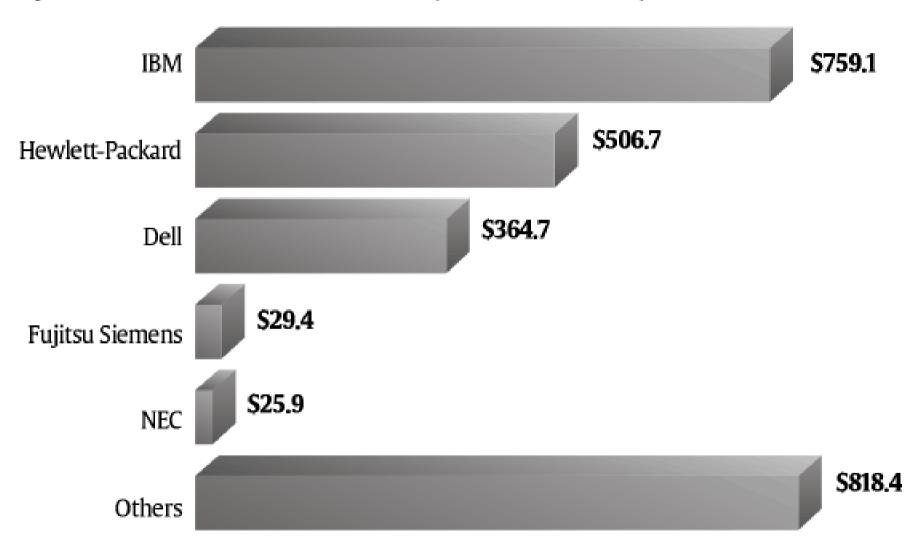
Australia:

 Australian telecom giant Telstra standardizes its business applications on Linux; begins exploring using Linux on workers' desktops.



Leading vendors

Top five worldwide Linux vendors in 2002 (in millions of dollars):



"This is a political and ethical issue, just like freedom of the press or freedom of association. It makes sense, especially for countries like Brazil that are not rich, to encourage the country to switch from proprietary software to free software." Richard Stallman

Open Source: A Case For E-Government

70 proposed laws mandating Open Source

in his part of the world, government purchasing authorities traditionally receive "commissions" from vendors, so given a choice between a \$1 million Open Source-based IT solution and a \$10 million proprietary solution, they would go for the \$10 million solution every time because, he said, "10 percent of \$10 million is 10 times as much as 10 percent of \$1 million." http://newsforge.com/newsforge/02/10/20/1746231.shtml?tid=4

Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein Germany

Main motivation: Save Money Unexpected Results: Excellent Performance, processing time dropping from 17 hours to 11 minutes

NEW YORK (AP) — Linux, the open-source operating system with an outsider mystique, is now proliferating on powerful government computer systems in the United States and abroad with technology giants increasingly providing support.

At a Tokyo trade show on Friday, IBM was announcing the sale of more than 75 Linux-based computer systems to U.S. agencies including the Air Force, the Defense, Agriculture and Energy departments and the Federal Aviation Administration.

http://www.usatoday.com/tech/news/2002/05/30/linux-government.htm

Linux in Business

557 records (August, 2003)

http://www.m-tech.ab.ca/linux-biz/

Amazon.com was able to cut \$17 million in technology expenses in a single quarter, largely due to a switch to Linux. Amazon spent \$54 million on technology and content expenses in its third quarter (ending Sept. 30), compared with \$71 million in the year-ago quarter, and executives expected that technology costs as a portion of net sales would decrease by 20% this year.

An independent report in Denmark concluded that if the political goals for using the Internet to improve the public sector are to be fulfilled, it would be \$500 million cheaper over the next 10 years to use OSS/FS instead of Microsoft software.

Intel's IT Vice President, Doug Busch, reported savings of \$200 million by replacing costly Unix servers with cheaper servers running GNU/Linux.

The city of Largo, Florida reports a savings of \$1 million per year using GNU/Linux and "thin clients."

"I was skeptical at first," one receptionist confides, "because [the place I worked before] had a Windows network that was always having problems. Now I'm comfortable with the network here. It's very easy to use once you get used to it."

Secretaries use Linux, taxpayers save millions http://newsforge.com/article.pl?sid=01/08/10/1441239&mode=thread

Free software in Latin America

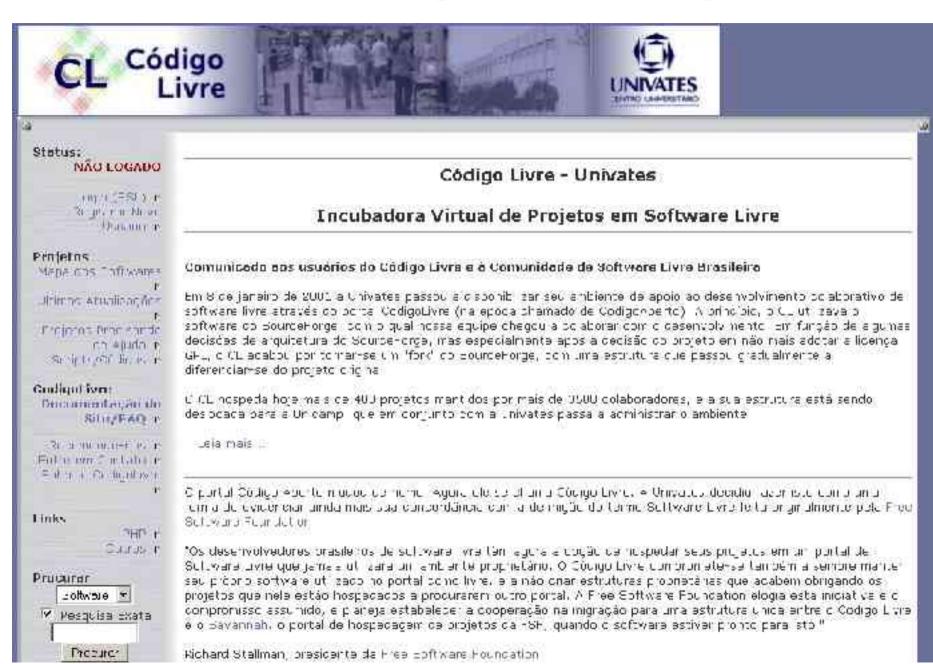
Study commissioned by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland by Cesar Brod

http://www.brod.com.br/files/helsinki.pdf

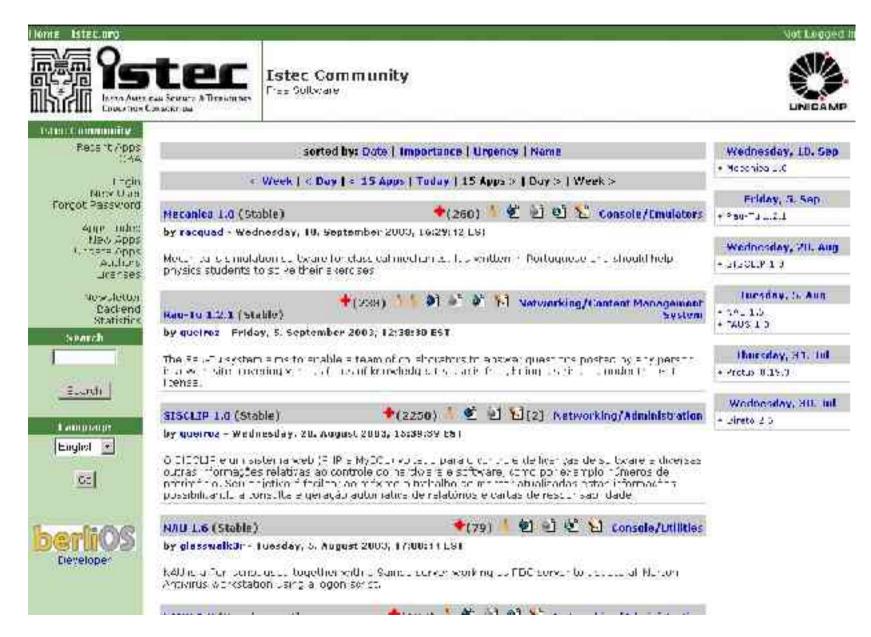
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