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Macintosh Monitors: Screen Size and Page Rulers Compared (10/95)

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TOPIC -----

When I run my word processing program on different size Macintosh monitors, the program displays the same ruler width.

Why does the 12-inch RGB monitor display the same ruler width as the 9-inch monitor?

DISCUSSION -----

Page rulers on a Macintosh monitor is determined by the number of pixels available, not by the physical screen size. The Macintosh Classic (and other compact Macintosh 9-inch screens) and the 12-inch RGB monitor are 512 pixels wide, so they display the same ruler length.

Even though the ruler width of the two monitors is the same, the 9-inch monitor is 342 pixels tall, while the 12-inch RGB monitor is 384 pixels tall. The 13-inch RGB monitor and the 12-inch monochrome monitor are 640 pixels wide and 480 pixels tall.

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