

**NAME**

XmbufQueryExtension, XmbufGetVersion, XmbufCreateBuffers, XmbufDestroyBuffers, XmbufDisplayBuffers, XmbufGetWindowAttributes, XmbufChangeWindowAttributes, XmbufGetBufferAttributes, XmbufChangeBufferAttributes, XmbufGetScreenInfo, XmbufCreateStereoWindow - X multibuffering functions

**SYNTAX**

```
#include <X11/extensions/multibuf.h>

Bool XmbufQueryExtension(
    Display *dpy,
    Display *dpy,
    int *event_base_return,
    int *error_base_return);

Status XmbufGetVersion(
    Display *dpy,
    int *major_version_return,
    int *minor_version_return);

int XmbufCreateBuffers(
    Display *dpy,
    Window window,
    int count,
    int update_action,
    int update_hint,
    Multibuffer *buffers_update);

void XmbufDestroyBuffers(
    Display *dpy,
    Window window);

void XmbufDisplayBuffers(
    Display *dpy,
    int count,
    Multibuffer *buffers,
    int min_delay,
    int max_delay);

Status XmbufGetWindowAttributes(
    Display *dpy,
    Window window,
    XmbufWindowAttributes *attributes);

void XmbufChangeWindowAttributes(
    Display *dpy,
    Window window,
    unsigned long valuemask,
    XmbufSetWindowAttributes *attributes);

Status XmbufGetBufferAttributes(
    Display *dpy,
    Multibuffer buffer,
    XmbufBufferAttributes *attributes);
```

```

void XmbufChangeBufferAttributes(
    Display *dpy,
    Multibuffer buffer,
    unsigned long valuemask,
    XmbufSetBufferAttributes *attributes);

Status XmbufGetScreenInfo(
    Display *dpy,
    Drawable drawable,
    int *nmono_return,
    XmbufBufferInfo **mono_info_return,
    int *nstereo_return,
    XmbufBufferInfo **stereo_info_return);

Window XmbufCreateStereoWindow(
    Display *dpy,
    Window parent,
    int x,
    int y,
    unsigned int width,
    unsigned int height,
    unsigned int border_width,
    int depth,
    unsigned int class,                /* InputOutput, InputOnly*/
    Visual *visual,
    unsigned long valuemask,
    XSetWindowAttributes *attributes,
    Multibuffer *left_return,
    Multibuffer *right_return);

```

## STRUCTURES

### *Events:*

```

typedef struct {
    int type; /* of event */
    unsigned long serial; /* # of last request processed by server */
    int send_event; /* true if this came from a SendEvent request */
    Display *display; /* Display the event was read from */
    Multibuffer buffer; /* buffer of event */
    int state; /* see Clobbered constants above */
} XmbufClobberNotifyEvent;

```

```

typedef struct {
    int type; /* of event */
    unsigned long serial; /* # of last request processed by server */
    int send_event; /* true if this came from a SendEvent request */
    Display *display; /* Display the event was read from */
    Multibuffer buffer; /* buffer of event */
} XmbufUpdateNotifyEvent;

```

### *Per-window attributes that can be got:*

```

typedef struct {
    int displayed_index; /* which buffer is being displayed */
    int update_action; /* Undefined, Background, Untouched, Copied */
    int update_hint; /* Frequent, Intermittent, Static */
}

```

```

    int window_mode;      /* Mono, Stereo */
    int nbuffers; /* Number of buffers */
    Multibuffer *buffers; /* Buffers */
} XmbufWindowAttributes;

```

*Per-window attributes that can be set:*

```

typedef struct {
    int update_hint; /* Frequent, Intermittent, Static */
} XmbufSetWindowAttributes;

```

*Per-buffer attributes that can be got:*

```

typedef struct {
    Window window; /* which window this belongs to */
    unsigned long event_mask; /* events that have been selected */
    int buffer_index; /* which buffer is this */
    int side; /* Mono, Left, Right */
} XmbufBufferAttributes;

```

*Per-buffer attributes that can be set:*

```

typedef struct {
    unsigned long event_mask; /* events that have been selected */
} XmbufSetBufferAttributes;

```

*Per-screen buffer info (there will be lists of them):*

```

typedef struct {
    VisualID visualid; /* visual usable at this depth */
    int max_buffers; /* most buffers for this visual */
    int depth; /* depth of buffers to be created */
} XmbufBufferInfo;

```

## DESCRIPTION

The application programming library for the *X11 Double-Buffering, Multi-Buffering, and Stereo Extension* contains the interfaces described below. With the exception of **XmbufQueryExtension**, if any of these routines are called with a display that does not support the extension, the **ExtensionErrorHandler** (which can be set with **XSetExtensionErrorHandler** and functions the same way as **XSetErrorHandler**) will be called and the function will then return.

**XmbufQueryExtension** returns **True** if the multibuffering/stereo extension is available on the given display. If the extension exists, the value of the first event code (which should be added to the event type constants **MultibufferClobberNotify** and **MultibufferUpdateNotify** to get the actual values) is stored into **event\_base\_return** and the value of the first error code (which should be added to the error type constant **MultibufferBadBuffer** to get the actual value) is stored into **error\_base\_return**.

**XmbufGetVersion** gets the major and minor version numbers of the extension. The return value is zero if an error occurs or non-zero if no error happens.

**XmbufCreateBuffers** requests that "count" buffers be created with the given **update\_action** and **update\_hint** and be associated with the indicated window. The number of buffers created is returned (zero if an error occurred) and **buffers\_update** is filled in with that many **Multibuffer** identifiers.

**XmbufDestroyBuffers** destroys the buffers associated with the given window.

**XmbufDisplayBuffers** displays the indicated buffers their appropriate windows within **max\_delay** milliseconds after **min\_delay** milliseconds have passed. No two buffers may be associated with the same

window or else a Match error is generated.

**XmbufGetWindowAttributes** gets the multibuffering attributes that apply to all buffers associated with the given window. The list of buffers returned may be freed with **XFree**. Returns non-zero on success and zero if an error occurs.

**XmbufChangeWindowAttributes** sets the multibuffering attributes that apply to all buffers associated with the given window. This is currently limited to the `update_hint`.

**XmbufGetBufferAttributes** gets the attributes for the indicated buffer. Returns non-zero on success and zero if an error occurs.

**XmbufChangeBufferAttributes** sets the attributes for the indicated buffer. This is currently limited to the `event_mask`.

**XmbufGetScreenInfo** gets the parameters controlling how mono and stereo windows may be created on the screen of the given drawable. The numbers of sets of visual and depths are returned in `nmono_return` and `nstereo_return`. If `nmono_return` is greater than zero, then `mono_info_return` is set to the address of an array of **XmbufBufferInfo** structures describing the various visuals and depths that may be used. Otherwise, `mono_info_return` is set to NULL. Similarly, `stereo_info_return` is set according to `nstereo_return`. The storage returned in `mono_info_return` and `stereo_info_return` may be released by **XFree**. If no errors are encountered, non-zero will be returned.

**XmbufCreateStereoWindow** creates a stereo window in the same way that **XCreateWindow** creates a mono window. The buffer ids for the left and right buffers are returned in `left_return` and `right_return`, respectively. If an extension error handler that returns is installed, **None** will be returned if the extension is not available on this display.

## PREDEFINED VALUES

Update\_action field:

**MultibufferUpdateActionUndefined**  
**MultibufferUpdateActionBackground**  
**MultibufferUpdateActionUntouched**  
**MultibufferUpdateActionCopied**

Update\_hint field:

**MultibufferUpdateHintFrequent**  
**MultibufferUpdateHintIntermittent**  
**MultibufferUpdateHintStatic**

Valuemask fields:

**MultibufferWindowUpdateHint**  
**MultibufferBufferEventMask**

Mono vs. stereo and left vs. right:

**MultibufferModeMono**  
**MultibufferModeStereo**  
**MultibufferSideMono**  
**MultibufferSideLeft**  
**MultibufferSideRight**

Clobber state:

**MultibufferUnclobbered**  
**MultibufferPartiallyClobbered**  
**MultibufferFullyClobbered**

Event stuff:

**MultibufferClobberNotifyMask**  
**MultibufferUpdateNotifyMask**

**MultibufferClobberNotify**  
**MultibufferUpdateNotify**  
**MultibufferNumberEvents**  
**MultibufferBadBuffer**  
**MultibufferNumberErrors**

**BUGS**

This manual page needs more work.

**SEE ALSO**

*Extending X for Double Buffering, Multi-Buffering, and Stereo*