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Overview of the Keyboard and Mouse Input technology.

The Keyboard and Mouse Input technology is not associated with any headers.

For programming guidance for this technology, see:

- [Keyboard and Mouse Input](#)

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Functions

[_TrackMouseEvent](#)

Posts messages when the mouse pointer leaves a window or hovers over a window for a specified amount of time. This function calls `TrackMouseEvent` if it exists, otherwise it emulates it.

[ActivateKeyboardLayout](#)

Sets the input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout handle) for the calling thread or the current process. The input locale identifier specifies a locale as well as the physical layout of the keyboard.

[BlockInput](#)

Blocks keyboard and mouse input events from reaching applications.

[DefRawInputProc](#)

Verifies that the size of the `RAWINPUTHEADER` structure is correct.

[DragDetect](#)

Captures the mouse and tracks its movement until the user releases the left button, presses the ESC key, or moves the mouse outside the drag rectangle around the specified point.

[EnableWindow](#)

Enables or disables mouse and keyboard input to the specified window or control. When input is disabled, the window does not receive input such as mouse clicks and key presses. When input is enabled, the window receives all input.

[GET_APPCOMMAND_LPARAM](#)

Retrieves the application command from the specified `LPARAM` value.

[GET_DEVICE_LPARAM](#)

Retrieves the input device type from the specified LPARAM value.

[GET_FLAGS_LPARAM](#)

Retrieves the state of certain virtual keys from the specified LPARAM value.

[GET_KEYSTATE_LPARAM](#)

Retrieves the state of certain virtual keys from the specified LPARAM value.

[GET_KEYSTATE_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the state of certain virtual keys from the specified WPARAM value.

[GET_NCHITTEST_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the hit-test value from the specified WPARAM value.

[GET_RAWINPUT_CODE_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the input code from wParam in WM_INPUT.

[GET_WHEEL_DELTA_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the wheel-delta value from the specified WPARAM value.

[GET_XBUTTON_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the state of certain buttons from the specified WPARAM value.

[GetActiveWindow](#)

Retrieves the window handle to the active window attached to the calling thread's message queue.

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

Determines whether a key is up or down at the time the function is called, and whether the key was pressed after a previous call to GetAsyncKeyState.

[GetCapture](#)

Retrieves a handle to the window (if any) that has captured the mouse. Only one window at a time can capture the mouse; this window receives mouse input whether or not the cursor is within its borders.

[GetDoubleClickTime](#)

Retrieves the current double-click time for the mouse.

[GetFocus](#)

Retrieves the handle to the window that has the keyboard focus, if the window is attached to the calling thread's message queue.

[GetKBCodePage](#)

Retrieves the current code page.

[GetKeyboardLayout](#)

Retrieves the active input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout).

[GetKeyboardLayoutList](#)

Retrieves the input locale identifiers (formerly called keyboard layout handles) corresponding to the current set of input locales in the system. The function copies the identifiers to the specified buffer.

[GetKeyboardLayoutNameA](#)

Retrieves the name of the active input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) for the system.

[GetKeyboardLayoutNameW](#)

Retrieves the name of the active input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) for the system.

[GetKeyboardState](#)

Copies the status of the 256 virtual keys to the specified buffer.

[GetKeyboardType](#)

Retrieves information about the current keyboard.

[GetKeyNameTextA](#)

Retrieves a string that represents the name of a key.

[GetKeyNameTextW](#)

Retrieves a string that represents the name of a key.

[GetKeyState](#)

Retrieves the status of the specified virtual key. The status specifies whether the key is up, down, or toggled (on, off↻alternating each time the key is pressed).

[GetLastInputInfo](#)

Retrieves the time of the last input event.

[GetMouseMovePointsEx](#)

Retrieves a history of up to 64 previous coordinates of the mouse or pen.

[GetRawInputBuffer](#)

Performs a buffered read of the raw input data.

[GetRawInputData](#)

Retrieves the raw input from the specified device.

[GetRawInputDeviceInfoA](#)

Retrieves information about the raw input device.

[GetRawInputDeviceInfoW](#)

Retrieves information about the raw input device.

[GetRawInputDeviceList](#)

Enumerates the raw input devices attached to the system.

[GetRegisteredRawInputDevices](#)

Retrieves the information about the raw input devices for the current application.

[IsWindowEnabled](#)

Determines whether the specified window is enabled for mouse and keyboard input.

[keybd_event](#)

Synthesizes a keystroke.

[LoadKeyboardLayoutA](#)

Loads a new input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) into the system.

[LoadKeyboardLayoutW](#)

Loads a new input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) into the system.

[MapVirtualKeyA](#)

Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code.

[MapVirtualKeyExA](#)

Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code. The function translates the codes using the input language and an input locale identifier.

[MapVirtualKeyExW](#)

Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code. The function translates the codes using the input language and an input locale identifier.

[MapVirtualKeyW](#)

Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code.

[mouse_event](#)

The mouse_event function synthesizes mouse motion and button clicks.

[NEXTRAWINPUTBLOCK](#)

Retrieves the location of the next structure in an array of RAWINPUT structures.

[OemKeyScan](#)

Maps OEMASCII codes 0 through 0xFF into the OEM scan codes and shift states. The function provides information that allows a program to send OEM text to another program by simulating keyboard input.

[RegisterForTooltipDismissNotification](#)

Lets apps or UI frameworks register and unregister windows to receive notification to dismiss their tooltip windows.

[RegisterHotKey](#)

Defines a system-wide hot key.

[RegisterRawInputDevices](#)

Registers the devices that supply the raw input data.

[ReleaseCapture](#)

Releases the mouse capture from a window in the current thread and restores normal mouse input processing.

[SendInput](#)

Synthesizes keystrokes, mouse motions, and button clicks.

[SetActiveWindow](#)

Activates a window. The window must be attached to the calling thread's message queue.

[SetCapture](#)

Sets the mouse capture to the specified window belonging to the current thread.

[SetDoubleClickTime](#)

Sets the double-click time for the mouse.

[SetFocus](#)

Sets the keyboard focus to the specified window. The window must be attached to the calling thread's message queue.

[SetKeyboardState](#)

Copies an array of keyboard key states into the calling thread's keyboard input-state table. This is the same table accessed by the GetKeyboardState and GetKeyState functions. Changes made to this table do not affect keyboard input to any other thread.

<p>SwapMouseButton</p> <p>Reverses or restores the meaning of the left and right mouse buttons.</p>
<p>ToAscii</p> <p>Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding character or characters.</p>
<p>ToAsciiEx</p> <p>Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding character or characters. The function translates the code using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the input locale identifier.</p>
<p>ToUnicode</p> <p>Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding Unicode character or characters.</p>
<p>ToUnicodeEx</p> <p>Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding Unicode character or characters.</p>
<p>TrackMouseEvent</p> <p>Posts messages when the mouse pointer leaves a window or hovers over a window for a specified amount of time.</p>
<p>UnloadKeyboardLayout</p> <p>Unloads an input locale identifier (formerly called a keyboard layout).</p>
<p>UnregisterHotKey</p> <p>Frees a hot key previously registered by the calling thread.</p>
<p>VkKeyScanA</p> <p>Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state for the current keyboard.</p>
<p>VkKeyScanExA</p> <p>Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state. The function translates the character using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the input locale identifier.</p>
<p>VkKeyScanExW</p> <p>Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state. The function translates the character using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the input locale identifier.</p>
<p>VkKeyScanW</p> <p>Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state for the current keyboard.</p>

Structures

HARDWAREINPUT

Contains information about a simulated message generated by an input device other than a keyboard or mouse.

INPUT

Used by SendInput to store information for synthesizing input events such as keystrokes, mouse movement, and mouse clicks.

KEYBDINPUT

Contains information about a simulated keyboard event.

LASTINPUTINFO

Contains the time of the last input.

MOUSEINPUT

Contains information about a simulated mouse event.

MOUSEMOVEPOINT

Contains information about the mouse's location in screen coordinates.

RAWHID

Describes the format of the raw input from a Human Interface Device (HID).

RAWINPUT

Contains the raw input from a device.

RAWINPUTDEVICE

Defines information for the raw input devices.

RAWINPUTDEVICELIST

Contains information about a raw input device.

RAWINPUTHEADER

Contains the header information that is part of the raw input data.

RAWKEYBOARD

Contains information about the state of the keyboard.

RAWMOUSE

Contains information about the state of the mouse.

RID_DEVICE_INFO

Defines the raw input data coming from any device.

RID_DEVICE_INFO_HID

Defines the raw input data coming from the specified Human Interface Device (HID).

RID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD

Defines the raw input data coming from the specified keyboard.

RID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE

Defines the raw input data coming from the specified mouse.

TRACKMOUSEEVENT

Used by the TrackMouseEvent function to track when the mouse pointer leaves a window or hovers over a window for a specified amount of time.

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This header is used by multiple technologies. For more information, see:

- [Keyboard and Mouse Input](#)
- [The Windows Shell](#)
- [Windows Controls](#)

commctrl.h contains the following programming interfaces:

Functions

[_TrackMouseEvent](#)

Posts messages when the mouse pointer leaves a window or hovers over a window for a specified amount of time. This function calls `TrackMouseEvent` if it exists, otherwise it emulates it.

[Animate_Close](#)

Closes an AVI clip. You can use this macro or send the `ACM_OPEN` message explicitly, passing in `NULL` parameters.

[Animate_Create](#)

Creates an animation control. `Animate_Create` calls the `CreateWindow` function to create the animation control.

[Animate_IsPlaying](#)

Checks to see if an Audio-Video Interleaved (AVI) clip is playing. You can use this macro or send an `ACM_ISPLAYING` message.

[Animate_Open](#)

Opens an AVI clip and displays its first frame in an animation control. You can use this macro or send the `ACM_OPEN` message explicitly.

[Animate_OpenEx](#)

Opens an AVI clip from a resource in a specified module and displays its first frame in an animation control. You can use this macro or send the `ACM_OPEN` message explicitly.

[Animate_Play](#)

Plays an AVI clip in an animation control. The control plays the clip in the background while the thread continues executing. You can use this macro or send the `ACM_PLAY` message explicitly.

[Animate_Seek](#)

Directs an animation control to display a particular frame of an AVI clip. The control displays the clip in the background while the thread continues executing. You can use this macro or send the `ACM_PLAY` message explicitly.

[Animate_Stop](#)

Stops playing an AVI clip in an animation control. You can use this macro or send the ACM_STOP message explicitly.

[Button_GetIdealSize](#)

Gets the size of the button that best fits the text and image, if an image list is present. You can use this macro or send the BCM_GETIDEALSIZE message explicitly.

[Button_GetImageList](#)

Gets the BUTTON_IMAGELIST structure that describes the image list that is set for a button control. You can use this macro or send the BCM_GETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[Button_GetNote](#)

Gets the text of the note associated with a command link button. You can use this macro or send the BCM_GETNOTE message explicitly.

[Button_GetNoteLength](#)

Gets the length of the note text that may be displayed in the description for a command link. Use this macro or send the BCM_GETNOTELENGTH message explicitly.

[Button_GetSplitInfo](#)

Gets information for a specified split button control. Use this macro or send the BCM_GETSPLITINFO message explicitly.

[Button_GetTextMargin](#)

Gets the margins used to draw text in a button control. You can use this macro or send the BCM_GETTEXTMARGIN message explicitly.

[Button_SetDropDownState](#)

Sets the drop down state for a specified button with style of BS_SPLITBUTTON. Use this macro or send the BCM_SETDROPDOWNSTATE message explicitly.

[Button_SetElevationRequiredState](#)

Sets the elevation required state for a specified button or command link to display an elevated icon. Use this macro or send the BCM_SETSHIELD message explicitly.

[Button_SetImageList](#)

Assigns an image list to a button control. You can use this macro or send the BCM_SETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[Button_SetNote](#)

Sets the text of the note associated with a specified command link button. You can use this macro or send the BCM_SETNOTE message explicitly.

[Button_SetSplitInfo](#)

Sets information for a specified split button control. Use this macro or send the BCM_SETSPLITINFO message explicitly.

[Button_SetTextMargin](#)

Sets the margins for drawing text in a button control. You can use this macro or send the BCM_SETTEXTMARGIN message explicitly.

[ComboBox_GetCueBannerText](#)

Gets the cue banner text displayed in the edit control of a combo box. Use this macro or send the CB_GETCUEBANNER message explicitly.

[ComboBox_GetMinVisible](#)

Gets the minimum number of visible items in the drop-down list of a combo box.

[ComboBox_SetCueBannerText](#)

Sets the cue banner text that is displayed for the edit control of a combo box.

[ComboBox_SetMinVisible](#)

Sets the minimum number of visible items in the drop-down list of a combo box.

[CreateMappedBitmap](#)

Creates a bitmap for use in a toolbar.

[CreateStatusWindowA](#)

Creates a status window, which is typically used to display the status of an application.

[CreateStatusWindowW](#)

Creates a status window, which is typically used to display the status of an application.

[CreateToolBarEx](#)

Creates a toolbar window and adds the specified buttons to the toolbar.

[CreateUpDownControl](#)

Creates an up-down control. Note: This function is obsolete. It is a 16 bit function and cannot handle 32 bit values for range and position.

[DateTime_CloseMonthCal](#)

Closes the date and time picker (DTP) control. Use this macro or send the DTM_CLOSEMONTHCAL message explicitly.

[DateTime_GetDateTimePickerInfo](#)

Gets information for a specified date and time picker (DTP) control.

[DateTime_GetIdealSize](#)

Gets the size needed to display the control without clipping. Use this macro or send the DTM_GETIDEALSIZE message explicitly.

[DateTime_GetMonthCal](#)

Gets the handle to a date and time picker's (DTP) child month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the DTM_GETMONTHCAL message explicitly.

[DateTime_GetMonthCalColor](#)

Gets the color for a given portion of the month calendar within a date and time picker (DTP) control. You can use this macro or send the DTM_GETMCCOLOR message explicitly.

[DateTime_GetMonthCalFont](#)

Gets the font that the date and time picker (DTP) control's child month calendar control is currently using. You can use this macro or send the DTM_GETMCFONT message explicitly.

[DateTime_GetMonthCalStyle](#)

Gets the style of a specified date and time picker (DTP) control. Use this macro or send the DTM_GETMCSTYLE message explicitly.

[DateTime_GetRange](#)

Gets the current minimum and maximum allowable system times for a date and time picker (DTP) control. You can use this macro, or send the DTM_GETRANGE message explicitly.

[DateTime_GetSystemtime](#)

Gets the currently selected time from a date and time picker (DTP) control and places it in a specified SYSTEMTIME structure. You can use this macro, or send the DTM_GETSYSTEMTIME message explicitly.

[DateTime_SetFormat](#)

Sets the display of a date and time picker (DTP) control based on a given format string. You can use this macro or send the DTM_SETFORMAT message explicitly.

[DateTime_SetMonthCalColor](#)

Sets the color for a given portion of the month calendar within a date and time picker (DTP) control. You can use this macro or send the DTM_SETMCCOLOR message explicitly.

[DateTime_SetMonthCalFont](#)

Sets the font to be used by the date and time picker (DTP) control's child month calendar control. You can use this macro or explicitly send the DTM_SETMCFONT message.

[DateTime_SetMonthCalStyle](#)

Sets the style for a specified date and time picker (DTP) control. Use this macro or send the DTM_SETMCSTYLE message explicitly.

[DateTime_SetRange](#)

Sets the minimum and maximum allowable system times for a date and time picker (DTP) control. You can use this macro or send the DTM_SETRANGE message explicitly.

[DateTime_SetSystemtime](#)

Sets a date and time picker (DTP) control to a given date and time. You can use this macro or send the DTM_SETSYSTEMTIME message explicitly.

[DefSubclassProc](#)

Calls the next handler in a window's subclass chain. The last handler in the subclass chain calls the original window procedure for the window.

[DrawInsert](#)

Draws the insert icon in the parent window of the specified drag list box.

[DrawShadowText](#)

Draws text that has a shadow.

[DrawStatusTextA](#)

The DrawStatusText function draws the specified text in the style of a status window with borders.

[DrawStatusTextW](#)

The DrawStatusText function draws the specified text in the style of a status window with borders.

[Edit_EnableSearchWeb](#)

Enables or disables the "Search with Bing..." context menu item in edit controls. You can use this macro or send the EM_ENABLESEARCHWEB message explicitly.

[Edit_GetCaretIndex](#)

Gets the character index of the caret location for a given edit control. You can use this macro or send the EM_GETCARETINDEX message explicitly.

[Edit_GetCueBannerText](#)

Gets the text that is displayed as a textual cue, or tip, in an edit control. You can use this macro or send the EM_GETCUEBANNER message explicitly.

[Edit_GetEndOfLine](#)

Gets the end of line character used for the content of the edit control. You can use this macro or send the EM_GETENDOFLINE message explicitly.

[Edit_GetExtendedStyle](#)

Gets the extended styles that are currently in use for a given edit control. You can use this macro or send the EM_GETEXTENDEDSTYLE message explicitly.

[Edit_GetFileLine](#)

Gets the text of the specified file (or logical) line (text wrap delimiters are ignored). You can use this macro or send the EM_GETFILELINE message explicitly.

[Edit_GetFileLineCount](#)

Gets the number of file (or logical) lines (text wrap delimiters are ignored). You can use this macro or send the EM_GETFILELINECOUNT message explicitly.

[Edit_GetFileLineFromChar](#)

Gets the index of the file (or logical) line of text that includes the specified character index (text wrap delimiters are ignored). You can use this macro or send the EM_FILELINEFROMCHAR message explicitly.

[Edit_GetFileLineIndex](#)

Gets the index of the file (or logical) line of text based on the specified visible line. You can use this macro or send the EM_FILELINEINDEX message explicitly.

[Edit_GetFileLineLength](#)

Gets the length of the file (or logical) line of text from the specified character index (text wrap delimiters are ignored). You can use this macro or send the EM_FILELINELENGTH message explicitly.

[Edit_GetHilite](#)

This macro is not implemented.

[Edit_GetZoom](#)

Gets the current zoom ratio of an edit control (the zoom ratio is always between 1/64 and 64). You can use this macro or send the EM_GETZOOM message explicitly.

[Edit_HideBalloonTip](#)

Hides any balloon tip associated with an edit control. You can use this macro or send the EM_HIDEBALLOONTIP message explicitly.

[Edit_NoSetFocus](#)

Prevents a single-line edit control from receiving keyboard focus. You can use this macro or send the EM_NOSETFOCUS message explicitly.

[Edit_SearchWeb](#)

Invokes the "Search with Bing..." context menu item in edit controls. You can use this macro or send the EM_SEARCHWEB message explicitly.

[Edit_SetCaretIndex](#)

Sets the character index at which to locate the caret. You can use this macro or send the EM_SETCARETINDEX message explicitly.

[Edit_SetCueBannerText](#)

Sets the text that is displayed as the textual cue, or tip, for an edit control. You can use this macro or send the EM_SETCUEBANNER message explicitly.

[Edit_SetCueBannerTextFocused](#)

Sets the text that is displayed as the textual cue, or tip, for an edit control. You can use this macro or send the EM_SETCUEBANNER message explicitly.

[Edit_SetEndOfLine](#)

Sets the end of line character used for the content of the edit control. You can use this macro or send the EM_SETENDOFFLINE message explicitly.

[Edit_SetExtendedStyle](#)

Sets extended styles for edit controls using the style mask. You can use this macro or send the EM_SETEXTENDEDSTYLE message explicitly.

[Edit_SetHilite](#)

This macro is not implemented.

[Edit_SetZoom](#)

Sets the current zoom ratio of an edit control (the zoom ratio is always between 1/64 and 64). You can use this macro or send the EM_SETZOOM message explicitly.

[Edit_ShowBalloonTip](#)

Displays a balloon tip associated with an edit control. You can use this macro or send the EM_SHOWBALLOONTIP message explicitly.

[Edit_TakeFocus](#)

Forces a single-line edit control to receive keyboard focus. You can use this macro or send the EM_TAKEFOCUS message explicitly.

[FIRST_IPADDRESS](#)

Extracts the field 0 value from a packed IP address retrieved with the IPM_GETADDRESS message.

[FlatSB_EnableScrollBar](#)

Enables or disables one or both flat scroll bar direction buttons. If flat scroll bars are not initialized for the window, this function calls the standard EnableScrollBar function.

[FlatSB_GetScrollInfo](#)

Gets the information for a flat scroll bar. If flat scroll bars are not initialized for the window, this function calls the standard GetScrollInfo function.

[FlatSB_GetScrollPos](#)

Gets the thumb position in a flat scroll bar. If flat scroll bars are not initialized for the window, this function calls the standard GetScrollPos function.

[FlatSB_GetScrollProp](#)

Gets the properties for a flat scroll bar. This function can also be used to determine if InitializeFlatSB has been called for this window.

[FlatSB_GetScrollPropPtr](#)

Gets the properties for a flat scroll bar.

[FlatSB_GetScrollRange](#)

Gets the scroll range for a flat scroll bar. If flat scroll bars are not initialized for the window, this function calls the standard GetScrollRange function.

[FlatSB_SetScrollInfo](#)

Sets the information for a flat scroll bar. If flat scroll bars are not initialized for the window, this function calls the standard SetScrollInfo function.

[FlatSB_SetScrollPos](#)

Sets the current position of the thumb in a flat scroll bar. If flat scroll bars are not initialized for the window, this function calls the standard SetScrollPos function.

[FlatSB_SetScrollProp](#)

Sets the properties for a flat scroll bar.

[FlatSB_SetScrollRange](#)

Sets the scroll range of a flat scroll bar. If flat scroll bars are not initialized for the window, this function calls the standard SetScrollRange function.

[FlatSB_ShowScrollBar](#)

Shows or hides a flat scroll bar. If flat scroll bars are not initialized for the window, this function calls the standard ShowScrollBar function.

[FORWARD_WM_NOTIFY](#)

Sends or posts the WM_NOTIFY message.

[FOURTH_IPADDRESS](#)

Extracts the field 3 value from a packed IP address retrieved with the IPM_GETADDRESS message.

[GetEffectiveClientRect](#)

Calculates the dimensions of a rectangle in the client area that contains all the specified controls.

[GetMUILanguage](#)

Gets the language currently in use by the common controls for a particular process.

[GetWindowSubclass](#)

Retrieves the reference data for the specified window subclass callback.

[HANDLE_WM_NOTIFY](#)

Calls a function that processes the WM_NOTIFY message.

[Header_ClearAllFilters](#)

Clears all of the filters for a given header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_CLEARFILTER message explicitly.

[Header_ClearFilter](#)

Clears the filter for a given header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_CLEARFILTER message explicitly.

[Header_CreateDragImage](#)

Creates a transparent version of an item image within an existing header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_CREATEDRAGIMAGE message explicitly.

[Header_DeleteItem](#)

Deletes an item from a header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_DELETEITEM message explicitly.

[Header_EditFilter](#)

Moves the input focus to the edit box when a filter button has the focus.

[Header_GetBitmapMargin](#)

Gets the width of the margin (in pixels) of a bitmap in an existing header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_GETBITMAPMARGIN message explicitly.

[Header_GetFocusedItem](#)

Gets the item in a header control that has the focus. Use this macro or send the HDM_GETFOCUSEDITEM message explicitly.

[Header_GetImageList](#)

Gets the handle to the image list that has been set for an existing header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_GETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[Header_GetItem](#)

Gets information about an item in a header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_GETITEM message explicitly.

[Header_GetItemCount](#)

Gets a count of the items in a header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_GETITEMCOUNT message explicitly.

[Header_GetItemDropDownRect](#)

Gets the coordinates of the drop-down button for a specified item in a header control. The header control must be of type HDF_SPLITBUTTON. Use this macro or send the HDM_GETITEMDROPDOWNRECT message explicitly.

[Header_GetItemRect](#)

Gets the bounding rectangle for a given item in a header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_GETITEMRECT message explicitly.

[Header_GetOrderArray](#)

Gets the current left-to-right order of items in a header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_GETORDERARRAY message explicitly.

[Header_GetOverflowRect](#)

Gets the coordinates of the drop-down overflow area for a specified header control. The header control must be of type HDF_SPLITBUTTON. Use this macro or send the HDM_GETOVERFLOWRECT message explicitly.

[Header_GetStateImageList](#)

Gets the handle to the image list that has been set for an existing header control state.

[Header_GetUnicodeFormat](#)

Gets the Unicode character format flag for the control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_GETUNICODEFORMAT message explicitly.

[Header_InsertItem](#)

Inserts a new item into a header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_INSERTITEM message explicitly.

[Header_Layout](#)

Retrieves the correct size and position of a header control within the parent window. You can use this macro or send the HDM_LAYOUT message explicitly.

[Header_OrderToIndex](#)

Retrieves an index value for an item based on its order in the header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_ORDERTOINDEX message explicitly.

[Header_SetBitmapMargin](#)

Sets the width of the margin for a bitmap in an existing header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_SETBITMAPMARGIN message explicitly.

[Header_SetFilterChangeTimeout](#)

Sets the timeout interval between the time a change takes place in the filter attributes and the posting of an HDN_FILTERCHANGE notification. You can use this macro or send the HDM_SETFILTERCHANGETIMEOUT message explicitly.

[Header_SetFocusedItem](#)

Sets the focus to a specified item in a header control. Use this macro or send the HDM_SETFOCUSEDITEM message explicitly.

[Header_SetHotDivider](#)

Changes the color of a divider between header items to indicate the destination of an external drag-and-drop operation. You can use this macro or send the HDM_SETHOTDIVIDER message explicitly.

[Header_SetImageList](#)

Assigns an image list to an existing header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_SETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[Header_SetItem](#)

Sets the attributes of the specified item in a header control. You can use this macro or send the HDM_SETITEM message explicitly.

[Header_SetOrderArray](#)

Sets the left-to-right order of header items. You can use this macro or send the HDM_SETORDERARRAY message explicitly.

[Header_SetStateImageList](#)

Assigns an image list to an existing header control state.

[Header_SetUnicodeFormat](#)

Sets the UNICODE character format flag for the control.

[HIMAGELIST_QueryInterface](#)

Retrieves a pointer to an `IImageList` or `IImageList2` object that corresponds to the image list's HIMAGELIST handle.

[ImageList_Add](#)

Adds an image or images to an image list.

[ImageList_AddIcon](#)

Adds an icon or cursor to an image list. `ImageList_AddIcon` calls the `ImageList_ReplaceIcon` function.

[ImageList_AddMasked](#)

Adds an image or images to an image list, generating a mask from the specified bitmap.

[ImageList_BeginDrag](#)

Begins dragging an image.

[ImageList_Copy](#)

Copies images within a given image list.

[ImageList_Create](#)

Creates a new image list.

[ImageList_Destroy](#)

Destroys an image list.

[ImageList_DragEnter](#)

Displays the drag image at the specified position within the window.

[ImageList_DragLeave](#)

Unlocks the specified window and hides the drag image, allowing the window to be updated.

[ImageList_DragMove](#)

Moves the image that is being dragged during a drag-and-drop operation. This function is typically called in response to a WM_MOUSEMOVE message.

[ImageList_DragShowNolock](#)

Shows or hides the image being dragged.

[ImageList_Draw](#)

Draws an image list item in the specified device context.

[ImageList_DrawEx](#)

Draws an image list item in the specified device context. The function uses the specified drawing style and blends the image with the specified color.

[ImageList_DrawIndirect](#)

Draws an image list image based on an IMAGELISTDRAWPARAMS structure.

[ImageList_Duplicate](#)

Creates a duplicate of an existing image list.

[ImageList_EndDrag](#)

Ends a drag operation.

[ImageList_ExtractIcon](#)

Calls the ImageList_GetIcon function to create an icon or cursor based on an image and mask in an image list.

[ImageList_GetBkColor](#)

Retrieves the current background color for an image list.

[ImageList_GetDragImage](#)

Retrieves the temporary image list that is used for the drag image. The function also retrieves the current drag position and the offset of the drag image relative to the drag position.

[ImageList_GetIcon](#)

Creates an icon from an image and mask in an image list.

[ImageList_GetIconSize](#)

Retrieves the dimensions of images in an image list. All images in an image list have the same dimensions.

[ImageList_GetImageCount](#)

Retrieves the number of images in an image list.

[ImageList_GetImageInfo](#)

Retrieves information about an image.

[ImageList_LoadBitmap](#)

Calls the ImageList_LoadImage function to create an image list from the specified bitmap resource.

[ImageList_LoadImageA](#)

Creates an image list from the specified bitmap.

[ImageList_LoadImageW](#)

Creates an image list from the specified bitmap.

[ImageList_Merge](#)

Creates a new image by combining two existing images. The function also creates a new image list in which to store the image.

[ImageList_Read](#)

Reads an image list from a stream.

[ImageList_ReadEx](#)

Reads an image list from a stream, and returns an IImageList interface to the image list.

[ImageList_Remove](#)

Removes an image from an image list.

[ImageList_RemoveAll](#)

Calls the ImageList_Remove function to remove all of the images from an image list.

[ImageList_Replace](#)

Replaces an image in an image list with a new image.

[ImageList_ReplaceIcon](#)

Replaces an image with an icon or cursor.

[ImageList_SetBkColor](#)

Sets the background color for an image list. This function only works if you add an icon or use ImageList_AddMasked with a black and white bitmap. Without a mask, the entire image is drawn; hence the background color is not visible.

[ImageList_SetDragCursorImage](#)

Creates a new drag image by combining the specified image (typically a mouse cursor image) with the current drag image.

[ImageList_SetIconSize](#)

Sets the dimensions of images in an image list and removes all images from the list.

[ImageList_SetImageCount](#)

Resizes an existing image list.

[ImageList_SetOverlayImage](#)

Adds a specified image to the list of images to be used as overlay masks. An image list can have up to four overlay masks in version 4.70 and earlier and up to 15 in version 4.71. The function assigns an overlay mask index to the specified image.

[ImageList_Write](#)

Writes an image list to a stream.

[ImageList_WriteEx](#)

Writes an image list to a stream.

[INDEXTOOVERLAYMASK](#)

Prepares the index of an overlay mask so that the ImageList_Draw function can use it.

[INDEXTOSTATEIMAGEMASK](#)

Prepares the index of a state image so that a tree-view control or list-view control can use the index to retrieve the state image for an item.

[InitCommonControls](#)

Registers and initializes certain common control window classes. This function is obsolete. New applications should use the InitCommonControlsEx function.

[InitCommonControlsEx](#)

Ensures that the common control DLL (Comctl32.dll) is loaded, and registers specific common control classes from the DLL. An application must call this function before creating a common control.

[InitializeFlatSB](#)

Initializes flat scroll bars for a particular window.

[InitMUILanguage](#)

Enables an application to specify a language to be used with the common controls that is different from the system language.

[LBItemFromPt](#)

Retrieves the index of the item at the specified point in a list box.

[ListView_ApproximateViewRect](#)

Calculates the approximate width and height required to display a given number of items. You can use this macro or send the LVM_APPROXIMATEVIEWRECT message explicitly.

[ListView_Arrange](#)

Arranges items in icon view. You can use this macro or send the LVM_ARRANGE message explicitly.

[ListView_CancelEditLabel](#)

Cancels an item text editing operation. You can use this macro or send the LVM_CANCELEDTLABEL message explicitly.

[ListView_CreateDragImage](#)

Creates a drag image list for the specified item. You can use this macro or send the LVM_CREATEDRAGIMAGE message explicitly.

[ListView_DeleteAllItems](#)

Removes all items from a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_DELETEALLITEMS message explicitly.

[ListView_DeleteColumn](#)

Removes a column from a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_DELETECOLUMN message explicitly.

[ListView_Deleteltem](#)

Removes an item from a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_DELETEITEM message explicitly.

[ListView_EditLabel](#)

Begins in-place editing of the specified list-view item's text. The message implicitly selects and focuses the specified item. You can use this macro or send the LVM_EDITLABEL message explicitly.

[ListView_EnableGroupView](#)

Enables or disables whether the items in a list-view control display as a group. You can use this macro or send the LVM_ENABLEGROUPVIEW message explicitly.

[ListView_EnsureVisible](#)

Ensures that a list-view item is either entirely or partially visible, scrolling the list-view control if necessary. You can use this macro or send the LVM_ENSUREVISIBLE message explicitly.

[ListView_FindItem](#)

Searches for a list-view item with the specified characteristics. You can use this macro or send the LVM_FINDITEM message explicitly.

[ListView_GetBkColor](#)

Gets the background color of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETBKCOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_GetBkImage](#)

Gets the background image in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETBKIMAGE message explicitly.

[ListView_GetCallbackMask](#)

Gets the callback mask for a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETCALLBACKMASK message explicitly.

[ListView_GetCheckState](#)

Determines if an item in a list-view control is selected. This should be used only for list-view controls that have the LVS_EX_CHECKBOXES style.

[ListView_GetColumn](#)

Gets the attributes of a list-view control's column. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETCOLUMN message explicitly.

[ListView_GetColumnOrderArray](#)

Gets the current left-to-right order of columns in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETCOLUMNORDERARRAY message explicitly.

[ListView_GetColumnWidth](#)

Gets the width of a column in report or list view. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETCOLUMNWIDTH message explicitly.

[ListView_GetCountPerPage](#)

Calculates the number of items that can fit vertically in the visible area of a list-view control when in list or report view. Only fully visible items are counted. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETCOUNTPERPAGE message explicitly.

[ListView_GetEditControl](#)

Gets the handle to the edit control being used to edit a list-view item's text. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETEDITCONTROL message explicitly.

[ListView_GetEmptyText](#)

Gets the text meant for display when the list-view control appears empty. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETEMPTYTEXT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetExtendedListViewStyle](#)

Gets the extended styles that are currently in use for a given list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETEXTENDEDLISTVIEWSTYLE message explicitly.

[ListView_GetFocusedGroup](#)

Gets the group that has the focus. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETFOCUSEDGROUP message explicitly.

[ListView_GetFooterInfo](#)

Gets information on the footer of a specified list-view control. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETFOOTERINFO message explicitly.

[ListView_GetFooterItem](#)

Gets information on a footer item for a specified list-view control. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETFOOTERITEM message explicitly.

[ListView_GetFooterItemRect](#)

Gets the coordinates of a footer for a specified item in a list-view control. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETFOOTERITEMRECT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetFooterRect](#)

Gets the coordinates of the footer for a specified list-view control. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETFOOTERRECT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetGroupCount](#)

Gets the number of groups. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETGROUPCOUNT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetGroupHeaderImageList](#)

Gets the group header image list that has been set for an existing list-view control.

[ListView_GetGroupInfo](#)

Gets group information. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETGROUPINFO message explicitly.

[ListView_GetGroupInfoByIndex](#)

Gets information on a specified group. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETGROUPINFOBYINDEX message explicitly.

[ListView_GetGroupMetrics](#)

Gets information about the display of groups. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETGROUPMETRICS message explicitly.

[ListView_GetGroupRect](#)

Gets the rectangle for a specified group. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETGROUPRECT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetGroupState](#)

Gets the state for a specified group. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETGROUPSTATE message explicitly.

[ListView_GetHeader](#)

Gets the handle to the header control used by a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETHEADER message explicitly.

[ListView_GetHotCursor](#)

Gets the HCURSOR used when the pointer is over an item while hot tracking is enabled. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETHOTCURSOR message explicitly.

[ListView_GetHotItem](#)

Gets the index of the hot item. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETHOTITEM message explicitly.

[ListView_GetHoverTime](#)

Gets the amount of time that the mouse cursor must hover over an item before it is selected. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETHOVERTIME message explicitly.

[ListView_GetImageList](#)

Gets the handle to an image list used for drawing list-view items. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[ListView_GetInsertMark](#)

Gets the position of the insertion point. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETINSERTMARK message explicitly.

[ListView_GetInsertMarkColor](#)

Gets the color of the insertion point. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETINSERTMARKCOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_GetInsertMarkRect](#)

Gets the rectangle that bounds the insertion point. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETINSERTMARKRECT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetSearchString](#)

Gets the incremental search string of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETSEARCHSTRING message explicitly.

[ListView_GetItem](#)

Gets some or all of a list-view item's attributes. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETITEM message explicitly.

[ListView_GetItemCount](#)

Gets the number of items in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETITEMCOUNT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetItemIndexRect](#)

Gets the bounding rectangle for all or part of a subitem in the current view of a specified list-view control. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETITEMINDEXRECT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetItemPosition](#)

Gets the position of a list-view item. You can use this macro or explicitly send the LVM_GETITEMPOSITION message.

[ListView_GetItemRect](#)

Gets the bounding rectangle for all or part of an item in the current view. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETITEMRECT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetItemSpacing](#)

Determines the spacing between items in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETITEMSPACING message explicitly.

[ListView_GetItemState](#)

Gets the state of a list-view item. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETITEMSTATE message explicitly.

[ListView_GetItemText](#)

Gets the text of a list-view item or subitem. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETITEMTEXT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetNextItem](#)

Searches for a list-view item that has the specified properties and bears the specified relationship to a specified item. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETNEXTITEM message explicitly.

[ListView_GetNextItemIndex](#)

Gets the index of the item in a particular list-view control that has the specified properties and relationship to another specific item. Use this macro or send the LVM_GETNEXTITEMINDEX message explicitly.

[ListView_GetNumberOfWorkAreas](#)

Gets the number of working areas in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETNUMBEROFWORKAREAS message explicitly.

[ListView_GetOrigin](#)

Gets the current view origin for a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETORIGIN message explicitly.

[ListView_GetOutlineColor](#)

Gets the color of the border of a list-view control if the LVS_EX_BORDERSELECT extended window style is set. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETOUTLINECOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_GetSelectedColumn](#)

Gets an integer that specifies the selected column. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETSELECTEDCOLUMN message explicitly.

[ListView_GetSelectedCount](#)

Determines the number of selected items in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETSELECTEDCOUNT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetSelectionMark](#)

Gets the selection mark from a list-view control. You can use this macro or explicitly send the LVM_GETSELECTIONMARK message.

[ListView_GetStringWidth](#)

Determines the width of a specified string using the specified list-view control's current font. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETSTRINGWIDTH message explicitly.

[ListView_GetSubItemRect](#)

Gets information about the rectangle that surrounds a subitem in a list-view control.

[ListView_GetTextBkColor](#)

Gets the text background color of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETTEXTBKCOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_GetTextColor](#)

Gets the text color of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETTEXTCOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_GetTileInfo](#)

Gets information about a tile in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETTILEINFO message explicitly.

[ListView_GetTileViewInfo](#)

Gets information about a list-view control in tile view. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETTILEVIEWINFO message explicitly.

[ListView_GetToolTips](#)

Gets the tooltip control that the list-view control uses to display tooltips. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETTOOLTIPS message explicitly.

[ListView_GetTopIndex](#)

Gets the index of the topmost visible item when in list or report view. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETTOPINDEX message explicitly.

[ListView_GetUnicodeFormat](#)

Gets the Unicode character format flag for the control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETUNICODEFORMAT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetView](#)

Gets the current view of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETVIEW message explicitly.

[ListView_GetViewRect](#)

Gets the bounding rectangle of all items in the list-view control. The list view must be in icon or small icon view. You can use this macro or send the LVM_GETVIEWRECT message explicitly.

[ListView_GetWorkAreas](#)

Gets the working areas from a list-view control. You can use this macro, or send the LVM_GETWORKAREAS message explicitly.

[ListView_HasGroup](#)

Determines whether the list-view control has a specified group. You can use this macro or send the LVM_HASGROUP message explicitly.

[ListView_HitTest](#)

Determines which list-view item, if any, is at a specified position. You can use this macro or send the LVM_HITTEST message explicitly.

[ListView_HitTestEx](#)

Determines which list-view item, if any, is at a specified position. You can use this macro or send the LVM_HITTEST message explicitly.

[ListView_InsertColumn](#)

Inserts a new column in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_INSERTCOLUMN message explicitly.

[ListView_InsertGroup](#)

Inserts a group into a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_INSERTGROUP message explicitly.

[ListView_InsertGroupSorted](#)

Inserts a group into an ordered list of groups. You can use this macro or send the LVM_INSERTGROUPSORTED message explicitly.

[ListView_InsertItem](#)

Inserts a new item in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_INSERTITEM message explicitly.

[ListView_InsertMarkHitTest](#)

Retrieves the insertion point closest to a specified point. You can use this macro or send the LVM_INSERTMARKHITTEST message explicitly.

[ListView_IsGroupViewEnabled](#)

Checks whether the list-view control has group view enabled. You can use this macro or send the LVM_ISGROUPVIEWENABLED message explicitly.

[ListView_IsItemVisible](#)

Indicates whether an item in the list-view control is visible. Use this macro or send the LVM_ISITEMVISIBLE message explicitly.

[ListView_MapIDToIndex](#)

Maps the ID of an item to an index. You can use this macro or send the LVM_MAPIDTOINDEX message explicitly.

[ListView_MapIndexToID](#)

Maps the index of an item to a unique ID. You can use this macro or send the LVM_MAPINDEXTOID message explicitly.

[ListView_MoveGroup](#)

This macro is not implemented.

[ListView_MoveItemToGroup](#)

This macro is not implemented.

[ListView_RedrawItems](#)

Forces a list-view control to redraw a range of items. You can use this macro or send the LVM_REDRAWITEMS message explicitly.

[ListView_RemoveAllGroups](#)

Removes all groups from a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_REMOVEALLGROUPS message explicitly.

[ListView_RemoveGroup](#)

Removes a group from a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_REMOVEGROUP message explicitly.

[ListView_Scroll](#)

Scrolls the content of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SCROLL message explicitly.

[ListView_SetBkColor](#)

Sets the background color of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETBKCOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_SetBkImage](#)

Sets the background image in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETBKIMAGE message explicitly.

[ListView_SetCallbackMask](#)

Changes the callback mask for a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETCALLBACKMASK message explicitly.

[ListView_SetCheckState](#)

Selects or deselects an item in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETITEMSTATE message explicitly.

[ListView_SetColumn](#)

Sets the attributes of a list-view column. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETCOLUMN message explicitly.

[ListView_SetColumnOrderArray](#)

Sets the left-to-right order of columns in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETCOLUMNORDERARRAY message explicitly.

[ListView_SetColumnWidth](#)

Used to change the width of a column in report view or the width of all columns in list-view mode. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETCOLUMNWIDTH message explicitly.

[ListView_SetExtendedListViewStyle](#)

Sets extended styles for list-view controls. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETEXTENDEDLISTVIEWSTYLE message explicitly.

[ListView_SetExtendedListViewStyleEx](#)

Sets extended styles for list-view controls using the style mask. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETEXTENDEDLISTVIEWSTYLE message explicitly.

[ListView_SetGroupHeaderImageList](#)

Assigns an image list to the group header of a list-view control.

[ListView_SetGroupInfo](#)

Sets group information. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETGROUPINFO message explicitly.

[ListView_SetGroupMetrics](#)

Sets information about the display of groups. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETGROUPMETRICS message explicitly.

[ListView_SetGroupState](#)

Sets the state for a specified group.

[ListView_SetHotCursor](#)

Sets the HCURSOR that the list-view control uses when the pointer is over an item while hot tracking is enabled. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETHOTCURSOR message explicitly. To check whether hot tracking is enabled, call SystemParametersInfo.

[ListView_SetHotItem](#)

Sets the hot item in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETHOTITEM message explicitly.

[ListView_SetHoverTime](#)

Sets the amount of time that the mouse cursor must hover over an item before it is selected. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETHOVERTIME message explicitly.

[ListView_SetIconSpacing](#)

Sets the spacing between icons in list-view controls set to the LVS_ICON style. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETICONSPACING message explicitly.

[ListView_SetImageList](#)

Assigns an image list to a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[ListView_SetInfoTip](#)

Sets tooltip text. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETINFOTIP message explicitly.

[ListView_SetInsertMark](#)

Sets the insertion point to the defined position. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETINSERTMARK message explicitly.

[ListView_SetInsertMarkColor](#)

Sets the color of the insertion point. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETINSERTMARKCOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_SetItem](#)

Sets some or all of a list-view item's attributes. You can also use ListView_SetItem to set the text of a subitem. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETITEM message explicitly.

[ListView_SetItemCount](#)

Causes the list-view control to allocate memory for the specified number of items. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETITEMCOUNT message explicitly.

[ListView_SetItemCountEx](#)

Sets the virtual number of items in a virtual list view. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETITEMCOUNT message explicitly.

[ListView_SetItemIndexState](#)

Sets the state of a specified list-view item. Use this macro or send the LVM_SETITEMINDEXSTATE message explicitly.

[ListView_SetItemPosition](#)

Moves an item to a specified position in a list-view control (in icon or small icon view). You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETITEMPOSITION message explicitly.

[ListView_SetItemPosition32](#)

Moves an item to a specified position in a list-view control (in icon or small icon view).

[ListView_SetItemState](#)

Changes the state of an item in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETITEMSTATE message explicitly.

[ListView_SetItemText](#)

Changes the text of a list-view item or subitem. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETITEMTEXT message explicitly.

[ListView_SetOutlineColor](#)

Sets the color of the border of a list-view control if the LVS_EX_BORDERSELECT extended window style is set. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETOUTLINECOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_SetSelectedColumn](#)

Sets the index of the selected column. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETSELECTEDCOLUMN message explicitly.

[ListView_SetSelectionMark](#)

Sets the selection mark in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETSELECTIONMARK message explicitly.

[ListView_SetTextBkColor](#)

Sets the background color of text in a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETTEXTBKCOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_SetTextColor](#)

Sets the text color of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETTEXTCOLOR message explicitly.

[ListView_SetTileInfo](#)

Sets information for an existing tile of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETTILEINFO message explicitly.

[ListView_SetTileViewInfo](#)

Sets information that a list-view control uses in tile view. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETTILEVIEWINFO message explicitly.

[ListView_SetToolTips](#)

Sets the tooltip control that the list-view control will use to display tooltips. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETTOOLTIPS message explicitly.

[ListView_SetUnicodeFormat](#)

Sets the Unicode character format flag for the control.

[ListView_SetView](#)

Sets the view of a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETVIEW message explicitly.

[ListView_SetWorkAreas](#)

Sets the working areas within a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SETWORKAREAS message explicitly.

[ListView_SortGroups](#)

Uses an application-defined comparison function to sort groups by ID within a list-view control. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SORTGROUPS message explicitly.

[ListView_SortItems](#)

Uses an application-defined comparison function to sort the items of a list-view control. The index of each item changes to reflect the new sequence. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SORTITEMS message explicitly.

[ListView_SortItemsEx](#)

Uses an application-defined comparison function to sort the items of a list-view control. The index of each item changes to reflect the new sequence. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SORTITEMSEX message explicitly.

[ListView_SubItemHitTest](#)

Determines which list-view item or subitem is located at a given position. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SUBITEMHITTEST message explicitly.

[ListView_SubItemHitTestEx](#)

Determines which list-view item or subitem is located at a given position. You can use this macro or send the LVM_SUBITEMHITTEST message explicitly.

[ListView_Update](#)

Updates a list-view item. If the list-view control has the LVS_AUTOARRANGE style, this macro causes the list-view control to be arranged. You can use this macro or send the LVM_UPDATE message explicitly.

[LoadIconMetric](#)

Loads a specified icon resource with a client-specified system metric.

[LoadIconWithScaleDown](#)

Loads an icon. If the icon is not a standard size, this function scales down a larger image instead of scaling up a smaller image.

[MakeDragList](#)

Changes the specified single-selection list box to a drag list box.

[MAKEIPADDRESS](#)

Packs four byte-values into a single LPARAM suitable for use with the IPM_SETADDRESS message.

[MAKEIPRANGE](#)

Packs two byte-values into a single LPARAM suitable for use with the IPM_SETRANGE message.

[MenuHelp](#)

Processes WM_MENUSELECT and WM_COMMAND messages and displays Help text about the current menu in the specified status window.

[MonthCal_GetCalendarBorder](#)

Gets the border size, in pixels, of a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETCALENDARBORDER message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetCalendarCount](#)

Gets the number of calendars currently displayed in the calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETCALENDARCOUNT message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetCalendarGridInfo](#)

Gets information about a calendar grid.

[MonthCal_GetCALID](#)

Gets the current calendar ID for the given calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETCALID message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetColor](#)

Retrieves the color for a given portion of a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETCOLOR message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetCurrentView](#)

Gets the view for a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETCURRENTVIEW message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetCurSel](#)

Retrieves the currently selected date. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETCURSEL message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetFirstDayOfWeek](#)

Retrieves the first day of the week for a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETFIRSTDAYOFWEEK message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetMaxSelCount](#)

Retrieves the maximum date range that can be selected in a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETMAXSELCOUNT message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetMaxTodayWidth](#)

Retrieves the maximum width of the "today" string in a month calendar control. This includes the label text and the date text. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETMAXTODAYWIDTH message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetMinReqRect](#)

Retrieves the minimum size required to display a full month in a month calendar control. Size information is presented in the form of a RECT structure. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETMINREQRECT message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetMonthDelta](#)

Retrieves the scroll rate for a month calendar control. The scroll rate is the number of months that the control moves its display when the user clicks a scroll button. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETMONTHDELTA message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetMonthRange](#)

Retrieves date information (using SYSTEMTIME structures) that represents the high and low limits of a month calendar control's display. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETMONTHRANGE message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetRange](#)

Retrieves the minimum and maximum allowable dates set for a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETRANGE message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetSelRange](#)

Retrieves date information that represents the upper and lower limits of the date range currently selected by the user. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETSELRANGE message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetToday](#)

Retrieves the date information for the date specified as "today" for a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETTODAY message explicitly.

[MonthCal_GetUnicodeFormat](#)

Retrieves the Unicode character format flag for the control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_GETUNICODEFORMAT message explicitly.

[MonthCal_HitTest](#)

Determines which portion of a month calendar control is at a given point on the screen. You can use this macro or send the MCM_HITTEST message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetCalendarBorder](#)

Sets the border size, in pixels, of a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETCALENDARBORDER message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetCALID](#)

Sets the calendar ID for the given calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETCALID message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetColor](#)

Sets the color for a given portion of a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETCOLOR message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetCurrentView](#)

Sets the view for a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETCURRENTVIEW message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetCurSel](#)

Sets the currently selected date for a month calendar control. If the specified date is not in view, the control updates the display to bring it into view. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETCURSEL message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetDayState](#)

Sets the day states for all months that are currently visible within a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETDAYSTATE message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetFirstDayOfWeek](#)

Sets the first day of the week for a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETFIRSTDAYOFWEEK message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetMaxSelCount](#)

Sets the maximum number of days that can be selected in a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETMAXSELCOUNT message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetMonthDelta](#)

Sets the scroll rate for a month calendar control. The scroll rate is the number of months that the control moves its display when the user clicks a scroll button. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETMONTHDELTA message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetRange](#)

Sets the minimum and maximum allowable dates for a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETRANGE message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetSelRange](#)

Sets the selection for a month calendar control to a given date range. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETSELRANGE message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetToday](#)

Sets the "today" selection for a month calendar control. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SETTODAY message explicitly.

[MonthCal_SetUnicodeFormat](#)

Sets the Unicode character format flag for the control.

[MonthCal_SizeRectToMin](#)

Calculates how many calendars will fit in the given rectangle, and then returns the minimum size that a rectangle needs to be to fit that number of calendars. You can use this macro or send the MCM_SIZERECTTOMIN message explicitly.

[Pager_ForwardMouse](#)

Enables or disables mouse forwarding for the pager control. When mouse forwarding is enabled, the pager control forwards WM_MOUSEMOVE messages to the contained window. You can use this macro or send the PGM_FORWARDMOUSE message explicitly.

[Pager_GetBkColor](#)

Retrieves the current background color for the pager control. You can use this macro or send the PGM_GETBKCOLOR message explicitly.

[Pager_GetBorder](#)

Retrieves the current border size for the pager control. You can use this macro or send the PGM_GETBORDER message explicitly.

[Pager_GetButtonSize](#)

Retrieves the current button size for the pager control. You can use this macro or send the PGM_GETBUTTONSIZE message explicitly.

[Pager_GetButtonState](#)

Retrieves the state of the specified button in a pager control. You can use this macro or send the PGM_GETBUTTONSTATE message explicitly.

[Pager_GetDropTarget](#)

Retrieves a pager control's IDropTarget interface pointer. You can use this macro or send the PGM_GETDROPTARGET message explicitly.

[Pager_GetPos](#)

Retrieves the current scroll position of the pager control. You can use this macro or send the PGM_GETPOS message explicitly.

[Pager_RecalcSize](#)

Forces the pager control to recalculate the size of the contained window. Using this macro will result in a PGN_CALCSIZE notification being sent. You can use this macro or send the PGM_RECALCSIZE message explicitly.

[Pager_SetBkColor](#)

Sets the current background color for the pager control. You can use this macro or send the PGM_SETBKCOLOR message explicitly.

[Pager_SetBorder](#)

Sets the current border size for the pager control. You can use this macro or send the PGM_SETBORDER message explicitly.

[Pager_SetButtonSize](#)

Sets the current button size for the pager control. You can use this macro or send the PGM_SETBUTTONSIZE message explicitly.

[Pager_SetChild](#)

Sets the contained window for the pager control.

[Pager_SetPos](#)

Sets the scroll position for the pager control. You can use this macro or send the PGM_SETPOS message explicitly.

[Pager_SetScrollInfo](#)

Sets the scrolling parameters of the pager control, including the timeout value, the lines per timeout, and the pixels per line. You can use this macro or send the PGM_SETSETSCROLLINFO message explicitly.

[RemoveWindowSubclass](#)

Removes a subclass callback from a window.

[SECOND_IPADDRESS](#)

Extracts the field 1 value from a packed IP address retrieved with the IPM_GETADDRESS message.

[SetWindowSubclass](#)

Installs or updates a window subclass callback.

[ShowHideMenuCtl](#)

Sets or removes the specified menu item's check mark attribute and shows or hides the corresponding control.

[TabCtrl_AdjustRect](#)

Calculates a tab control's display area given a window rectangle, or calculates the window rectangle that would correspond to a specified display area. You can use this macro or send the TCM_ADJUSTRECT message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_DeleteAllItems](#)

Removes all items from a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_DELETEALLITEMS message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_DeleteItem](#)

Removes an item from a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_DELETEITEM message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_DeselectAll](#)

Resets items in a tab control, clearing any that were set to the TCIS_BUTTONPRESSED state. You can use this macro or send the TCM_DESELECTALL message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetCurFocus](#)

Returns the index of the item that has the focus in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETCURFOCUS message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetCurSel](#)

Determines the currently selected tab in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETCURSEL message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetExtendedStyle](#)

Retrieves the extended styles that are currently in use for the tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETEXTENDEDSTYLE message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetImageList](#)

Retrieves the image list associated with a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetItem](#)

Retrieves information about a tab in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETITEM message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetItemCount](#)

Retrieves the number of tabs in the tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETITEMCOUNT message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetItemRect](#)

Retrieves the bounding rectangle for a tab in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETITEMRECT message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetRowCount](#)

Retrieves the current number of rows of tabs in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETROWCOUNT message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetToolTips](#)

Retrieves the handle to the tooltip control associated with a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETTOOLTIPS message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_GetUnicodeFormat](#)

Retrieves the UNICODE character format flag for the control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_GETUNICODEFORMAT message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_HighlightItem](#)

Sets the highlight state of a tab item. You can use this macro or send the TCM_HIGHLIGHTITEM message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_HitTest](#)

Determines which tab, if any, is at a specified screen position. You can use this macro or send the TCM_HITTEST message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_InsertItem](#)

Inserts a new tab in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_INSERTITEM message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_RemoveImage](#)

Removes an image from a tab control's image list. You can use this macro or send the TCM_REMOVEIMAGE message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetCurFocus](#)

Sets the focus to a specified tab in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETCURFOCUS message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetCurSel](#)

Selects a tab in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETCURSEL message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetExtendedStyle](#)

Sets the extended styles that the tab control will use. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETEXTENDEDSTYLE message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetImageList](#)

Assigns an image list to a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetItem](#)

Sets some or all of a tab's attributes. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETITEM message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetItemExtra](#)

Sets the number of bytes per tab reserved for application-defined data in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETITEMEXTRA message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetItemSize](#)

Sets the width and height of tabs in a fixed-width or owner-drawn tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETITEMSIZE message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetMinTabWidth](#)

Sets the minimum width of items in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETMINTABWIDTH message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetPadding](#)

Sets the amount of space (padding) around each tab's icon and label in a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETPADDING message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetToolTips](#)

Assigns a tooltip control to a tab control. You can use this macro or send the TCM_SETTOOLTIPS message explicitly.

[TabCtrl_SetUnicodeFormat](#)

Sets the Unicode character format flag for the control.

[TaskDialog](#)

The TaskDialog function creates, displays, and operates a task dialog.

[TaskDialogIndirect](#)

The TaskDialogIndirect function creates, displays, and operates a task dialog.

[THIRD_IPADDRESS](#)

Extracts the field 2 value from a packed IP address retrieved with the IPM_GETADDRESS message.

[TreeView_CreateDragImage](#)

Creates a dragging bitmap for the specified item in a tree-view control.

[TreeView_DeleteAllItems](#)

Deletes all items from a tree-view control.

[TreeView_DeleteItem](#)

Removes an item and all its children from a tree-view control. You can also send the TVM_DELETEITEM message explicitly.

[TreeView_EditLabel](#)

Begins in-place editing of the specified item's text, replacing the text of the item with a single-line edit control containing the text.

[TreeView_EndEditLabelNow](#)

Ends the editing of a tree-view item's label. You can use this macro or send the TVM_ENDEDITLABELNOW message explicitly.

[TreeView_EnsureVisible](#)

Ensures that a tree-view item is visible, expanding the parent item or scrolling the tree-view control, if necessary. You can use this macro or send the TVM_ENSUREVISIBLE message explicitly.

[TreeView_Expand](#)

The TreeView_Expand macro expands or collapses the list of child items associated with the specified parent item, if any. You can use this macro or send the TVM_EXPAND message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetBkColor](#)

Retrieves the current background color of the control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETBKCOLOR message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetCheckState](#)

Gets the check state of the specified item. You can also use the TVM_GETITEMSTATE message directly.

[TreeView_GetChild](#)

Retrieves the first child item of the specified tree-view item. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_CHILD flag.

[TreeView_GetCount](#)

Retrieves a count of the items in a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETCOUNT message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetDropHighlight](#)

Retrieves the tree-view item that is the target of a drag-and-drop operation. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_DROPHILITE flag.

[TreeView_GetEditControl](#)

Retrieves the handle to the edit control being used to edit a tree-view item's text. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETEDITCONTROL message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetExtendedStyle](#)

Retrieves the extended style for a specified tree-view control. Use this macro or send the TVM_GETEXTENDEDSTYLE message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetFirstVisible](#)

Retrieves the first visible item in a tree-view control window. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_FIRSTVISIBLE flag.

[TreeView_GetImageList](#)

Retrieves the handle to the normal or state image list associated with a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetIndent](#)

Retrieves the amount, in pixels, that child items are indented relative to their parent items. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETINDENT message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetInsertMarkColor](#)

Retrieves the color used to draw the insertion mark for the tree view. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETINSERTMARKCOLOR message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetSearchString](#)

Retrieves the incremental search string for a tree-view control. The tree-view control uses the incremental search string to select an item based on characters typed by the user. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETSEARCHSTRING message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetItem](#)

Retrieves some or all of a tree-view item's attributes. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETITEM message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetItemHeight](#)

Retrieves the current height of the tree-view items. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETITEMHEIGHT message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetItemPartRect](#)

Retrieves the largest possible bounding rectangle that constitutes the "hit zone" for a specified part of an item. Use this macro or send the TVM_GETITEMPARTRECT message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetItemRect](#)

Retrieves the bounding rectangle for a tree-view item and indicates whether the item is visible. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETITEMRECT message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetItemState](#)

Retrieves some or all of a tree-view item's state attributes. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETITEMSTATE message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetLastVisible](#)

Retrieves the last expanded item in a tree-view control. This does not retrieve the last item visible in the tree-view window. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_LASTVISIBLE flag.

[TreeView_GetLineColor](#)

Gets the current line color. You can also use the TVM_GETLINECOLOR message directly.

[TreeView_GetNextItem](#)

Retrieves the tree-view item that bears the specified relationship to a specified item. You can use this macro, use one of the TreeView_Get macros described below, or send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message explicitly.

TreeView_GetNextSelected

Retrieves the tree-view item that bears the TVGN_NEXTSELECTED relationship to a specified tree item.

TreeView_GetNextSibling

Retrieves the next sibling item of a specified item in a tree-view control. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_NEXT flag.

TreeView_GetNextVisible

Retrieves the next visible item that follows a specified item in a tree-view control. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_NEXTVISIBLE flag.

TreeView_GetParent

Retrieves the parent item of the specified tree-view item. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_PARENT flag.

TreeView_GetPrevSibling

Retrieves the previous sibling item of a specified item in a tree-view control. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_PREVIOUS flag.

TreeView_GetPrevVisible

Retrieves the first visible item that precedes a specified item in a tree-view control. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_PREVIOUSVISIBLE flag.

TreeView_GetRoot

Retrieves the topmost or very first item of the tree-view control. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_ROOT flag.

TreeView_GetScrollTime

Retrieves the maximum scroll time for the tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETSCROLLTIME message explicitly.

TreeView_GetSelectedCount

TreeView_GetSelectedCount macro

TreeView_GetSelection

Retrieves the currently selected item in a tree-view control. You can use this macro, or you can explicitly send the TVM_GETNEXTITEM message with the TVGN_CARET flag.

TreeView_GetTextColor

Retrieves the current text color of the control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETTEXTCOLOR message explicitly.

TreeView_GetToolTips

Retrieves the handle to the child tooltip control used by a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETTOOLTIPS message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetUnicodeFormat](#)

Retrieves the Unicode character format flag for the control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETUNICODEFORMAT message explicitly.

[TreeView_GetVisibleCount](#)

Obtains the number of items that can be fully visible in the client window of a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_GETVISIBLECOUNT message explicitly.

[TreeView_HitTest](#)

Determines the location of the specified point relative to the client area of a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_HITTEST message explicitly.

[TreeView_InsertItem](#)

Inserts a new item in a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_INSERTITEM message explicitly.

[TreeView_MapAccIDToHTREEITEM](#)

Maps an accessibility ID to an HTREEITEM. You can use this macro or send the TVM_MAPACCIDTOHTREEITEM message explicitly.

[TreeView_MapHTREEITEMToAccID](#)

Maps an HTREEITEM to an accessibility ID. You can use this macro or send the TVM_MAPHTREEITEMTOACCID message explicitly.

[TreeView_Select](#)

Selects the specified tree-view item, scrolls the item into view, or redraws the item in the style used to indicate the target of a drag-and-drop operation.

[TreeView_SelectDropTarget](#)

Redraws a specified tree-view control item in the style used to indicate the target of a drag-and-drop operation. You can use this macro or the TreeView_Select macro, or you can send the TVM_SELECTITEM message explicitly.

[TreeView_SelectItem](#)

Selects the specified tree-view item. You can use this macro or the TreeView_Select macro, or you can send the TVM_SELECTITEM message explicitly.

[TreeView_SelectSetFirstVisible](#)

Scrolls the tree-view control vertically to ensure that the specified item is visible.

[TreeView_SetAutoScrollInfo](#)

Sets information used to determine auto-scroll characteristics. Use this macro or send the TVM_SETAUTOSCROLLINFO message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetBkColor](#)

Sets the background color of the control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETBKCOLOR message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetBorder](#)

Sets the size of the border for the items in a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETBORDER message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetCheckState](#)

Sets the item's state image to "checked" or "unchecked." You can also use the TVM_SETITEM message directly.

[TreeView_SetExtendedStyle](#)

Sets the extended style for a specified TreeView control. Use this macro or send the TVM_SETEXTENDEDSTYLE message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetHot](#)

Sets the hot item for a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETHOT message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetImageList](#)

Sets the normal or state image list for a tree-view control and redraws the control using the new images. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETIMAGELIST message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetIndent](#)

Sets the width of indentation for a tree-view control and redraws the control to reflect the new width. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETINDENT message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetInsertMark](#)

Sets the insertion mark in a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETINSERTMARK message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetInsertMarkColor](#)

Sets the color used to draw the insertion mark for the tree view. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETINSERTMARKCOLOR message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetItem](#)

The TreeView_SetItem macro sets some or all of a tree-view item's attributes. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETITEM message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetItemHeight](#)

Sets the height of the tree-view items. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETITEMHEIGHT message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetItemState](#)

Sets a tree-view item's state attributes. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETITEM message explicitly.

[TreeView_SetLineColor](#)

Sets the current line color. You can also use the TVM_SETLINECOLOR message directly.

TreeView_SetScrollTime

Sets the maximum scroll time for the tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETSCROLLTIME message explicitly.

TreeView_SetTextColor

Sets the text color of the control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETTEXTCOLOR message explicitly.

TreeView_SetToolTips

Sets a tree-view control's child tooltip control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SETTOOLTIPS message explicitly.

TreeView_SetUnicodeFormat

Sets the Unicode character format flag for the control.

TreeView_ShowInfoTip

Shows the infotip for a specified item in a tree-view control. Use this macro or send the TVM_SHOWINFOTIP message explicitly.

TreeView_SortChildren

Sorts the child items of the specified parent item in a tree-view control. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SORTCHILDREN message explicitly.

TreeView_SortChildrenCB

Sorts tree-view items using an application-defined callback function that compares the items. You can use this macro or send the TVM_SORTCHILDRENCB message explicitly.

UninitializeFlatSB

Uninitializes flat scroll bars for a particular window. The specified window will revert to standard scroll bars.

Callback functions

PFNLVGROUPCOMPARE

The LVGroupCompare function is an application-defined callback function used with the LVM_INSERTGROUPSORTED and LVM_SORTGROUPS messages.

PFTASKDIALOGCALLBACK

The TaskDialogCallbackProc function is an application-defined function used with the TaskDialogIndirect function.

SUBCLASSPROC

Defines the prototype for the callback function used by RemoveWindowSubclass and SetWindowSubclass.

Structures

[BUTTON_IMAGELIST](#)

Contains information about an image list that is used with a button control.

[BUTTON_SPLITINFO](#)

Contains information that defines a split button (BS_SPLITBUTTON and BS_DEFSPLITBUTTON styles). Used with the BCM_GETSPLITINFO and BCM_SETSPLITINFO messages.

[COLORMAP](#)

Contains information used by the CreateMappedBitmap function to map the colors of the bitmap.

[COLORSCHEME](#)

Contains information for the drawing of buttons in a toolbar or rebar.

[COMBOBOXEXITEMA](#)

Contains information about an item in a ComboBoxEx control.

[COMBOBOXEXITEMW](#)

Contains information about an item in a ComboBoxEx control.

[DATETIMEPICKERINFO](#)

Contains information about a date and time picker (DTP) control.

[DRAGLISTINFO](#)

Contains information about a drag event. The pointer to DRAGLISTINFO is passed as the lParam parameter of the drag list message.

[EDITBALLOONTIP](#)

Contains information about a balloon tip associated with a button control.

[HD_TEXTFILTERA](#)

Contains information about header control text filters.

[HD_TEXTFILTERW](#)

Contains information about header control text filters.

[HDHITTESTINFO](#)

Contains information about a hit test. This structure is used with the HDM_HITTEST message and it supersedes the HD_HITTESTINFO structure.

[HDITEMA](#)

Contains information about an item in a header control. This structure supersedes the HD_ITEM structure.

HDITEMW

Contains information about an item in a header control. This structure supersedes the HD_ITEM structure.

HDLAYOUT

Contains information used to set the size and position of a header control. HDLAYOUT is used with the HDM_LAYOUT message. This structure supersedes the HD_LAYOUT structure.

IMAGEINFO

Contains information about an image in an image list. This structure is used with the IImageList::GetImageInfo function.

IMAGELISTDRAWPARAMS

Contains information about an image list draw operation and is used with the IImageList::Draw function.

INITCOMMONCONTROLSEX

Carries information used to load common control classes from the dynamic-link library (DLL). This structure is used with the InitCommonControlsEx function.

LHITTESTINFO

Used to get information about the link corresponding to a given location.

LITEM

Used to set and retrieve information about a link item.

LVBKIMAGEA

Contains information about the background image of a list-view control. This structure is used for both setting and retrieving background image information.

LVBKIMAGEW

Contains information about the background image of a list-view control. This structure is used for both setting and retrieving background image information.

LVCOLUMNA

Contains information about a column in report view. This structure is used both for creating and manipulating columns. This structure supersedes the LV_COLUMN structure.

LVCOLUMNW

Contains information about a column in report view. This structure is used both for creating and manipulating columns. This structure supersedes the LV_COLUMN structure.

LVFINDINFOA

Contains information used when searching for a list-view item. This structure is identical to LV_FINDINFO but has been renamed to fit standard naming conventions.

LVFINDINFOW

Contains information used when searching for a list-view item. This structure is identical to LV_FINDINFO but has been renamed to fit standard naming conventions.

LVFOOTERINFO

Contains information on a footer in a list-view control.

LVFOOTERITEM

Contains information on a footer item.

LVGROUP

Used to set and retrieve groups.

LVGROUPMETRICS

Contains information about the display of groups in a list-view control.

LVHITTESTINFO

Contains information about a hit test.

LVINSERTGROUPSORTED

Used to sort groups. It is used with LVM_INSERTGROUPSORTED.

LVINSERTMARK

Used to describe insertion points.

LVITEMA

Specifies or receives the attributes of a list-view item. This structure has been updated to support a new mask value (LVIF_INDENT) that enables item indenting. This structure supersedes the LV_ITEM structure.

LVITEMINDEX

Contains index information about a list-view item.

LVITEMW

Specifies or receives the attributes of a list-view item. This structure has been updated to support a new mask value (LVIF_INDENT) that enables item indenting. This structure supersedes the LV_ITEM structure.

LVSETINFOTIP

Provides information about tooltip text that is to be set.

LV_TILEINFO

Provides information about an item in a list-view control when it is displayed in tile view.

LVVIEWINFO

Provides information about a list-view control when it is displayed in tile view.

MCGRIDINFO

Contains information about part of a calendar control.

MCHITTESTINFO

Carries information specific to hit-testing points for a month calendar control. This structure is used with the MCM_HITTEST message and the corresponding MonthCal_HitTest macro.

NMBCDROPDOWN

Contains information about a BCN_DROPDOWN notification.

NMBCHOTITEM

Contains information about the movement of the mouse over a button control.

NMCBEDRAGBEGINA

Contains information used with the CBEN_DRAGBEGIN notification code.

NMCBEDRAGBEGINW

Contains information used with the CBEN_DRAGBEGIN notification code.

NMCBEENDEDITA

Contains information about the conclusion of an edit operation within a ComboBoxEx control. This structure is used with the CBEN_ENDEDIT notification code.

NMCBEENDEDITW

Contains information about the conclusion of an edit operation within a ComboBoxEx control. This structure is used with the CBEN_ENDEDIT notification code.

NMCHAR

Contains information used with character notification messages.

NMCOMBOBOXEXA

Contains information specific to ComboBoxEx items for use with notification codes.

NMCOMBOBOXEXW

Contains information specific to ComboBoxEx items for use with notification codes.

NMCUSTOMDRAW

Contains information specific to an NM_CUSTOMDRAW notification code.

NMCUSTOMSPLITRECTINFO

Contains information about the two rectangles of a split button. Sent with the NM_GETCUSTOMSPLITRECT notification.

NMCUSTOMTEXT

Contains information used with custom text notification.

NMDATETIMECHANGE

Contains information about a change that has taken place in a date and time picker (DTP) control. This structure is used with the DTN_DATETIMECHANGE notification code.

NMDATETIMEFORMATA

Contains information about a portion of the format string that defines a callback field within a date and time picker (DTP) control.

NMDATETIMEFORMATQUERYA

Contains information about a date and time picker (DTP) control callback field.

NMDATETIMEFORMATQUERYW

Contains information about a date and time picker (DTP) control callback field.

NMDATETIMEFORMATW

Contains information about a portion of the format string that defines a callback field within a date and time picker (DTP) control.

NMDATETIMESTRINGA

Contains information specific to an edit operation that has taken place in a date and time picker (DTP) control. This message is used with the DTN_USERSTRING notification code.

NMDATETIMESTRINGW

Contains information specific to an edit operation that has taken place in a date and time picker (DTP) control. This message is used with the DTN_USERSTRING notification code.

NMDATETIMEWMKEYDOWNA

Carries information used to describe and handle a DTN_WMKEYDOWN notification code.

NMDATETIMEWMKEYDOWNW

Carries information used to describe and handle a DTN_WMKEYDOWN notification code.

NMDAYSTATE

Carries information required to process the MCN_GETDAYSTATE notification code. All members of this structure are for input, except prgDayState, which the receiving application must set when processing MCN_GETDAYSTATE.

NMHDDISPINFOA

Contains information used in handling HDN_GETDISPINFO notification codes.

NMHDDISPINFOW

Contains information used in handling HDN_GETDISPINFO notification codes.

NMHDFILTERBTNCLICK

Specifies or receives the attributes of a filter button click.

NMHEADERA

Contains information about header control notification messages. This structure supersedes the HD_NOTIFY structure.

NMHEADERW

Contains information about header control notification messages. This structure supersedes the HD_NOTIFY structure.

NMIPADDRESS

Contains information for the IPN_FIELDCHANGED notification code.

NMITEMACTIVATE

Contains information about an LVN_ITEMACTIVATE notification code.

NMKEY

Contains information used with key notification messages.

NMLINK

The NMLINK Contains notification information. Send this structure with the NM_CLICK or NM_RETURN messages.

NMLISTVIEW

Contains information about a list-view notification message. This structure is the same as the NM_LISTVIEW structure but has been renamed to fit standard naming conventions.

NMLVCACHEHINT

Contains information used to update the cached item information for use with a virtual list view.

NMLVCUSTOMDRAW

Contains information specific to an NM_CUSTOMDRAW (list view) notification code sent by a list-view control.

NMLVDISPINFOA

Contains information about an LVN_GETDISPINFO or LVN_SETDISPINFO notification code. This structure is the same as the LV_DISPINFO structure, but has been renamed to fit standard naming conventions.

NMLVDISPINFOW

Contains information about an LVN_GETDISPINFO or LVN_SETDISPINFO notification code. This structure is the same as the LV_DISPINFO structure, but has been renamed to fit standard naming conventions.

NMLVEMPTYMARKUP

Contains information used with the LVN_GETEMPTYMARKUP notification code.

NMLVFINDITEMA

Contains information the owner needs to find items requested by a virtual list-view control. This structure is used with the LVN_ODFINDITEM notification code.

NMLVFINDITEMW

Contains information the owner needs to find items requested by a virtual list-view control. This structure is used with the LVN_ODFINDITEM notification code.

NMLVGETINFOTIPA

Contains and receives list-view item information needed to display a tooltip for an item. This structure is used with the LVN_GETINFOTIP notification code.

NMLVGETINFOTIPW

Contains and receives list-view item information needed to display a tooltip for an item. This structure is used with the LVN_GETINFOTIP notification code.

NMLVKEYDOWN

Contains information used in processing the LVN_KEYDOWN notification code. This structure is the same as the NMLVKEYDOWN structure but has been renamed to fit standard naming conventions.

NMLVLINK

Contains information about an LVN_LINKCLICK notification code.

NMLVODSTATECHANGE

Structure that contains information for use in processing the LVN_ODSTATECHANGED notification code.

NMLVSCROLL

Provides information about a scrolling operation.

NM_MOUSE

Contains information used with mouse notification messages.

NM_OBJECTNOTIFY

Contains information used with the TBN_GETOBJECT, TCN_GETOBJECT, and PSN_GETOBJECT notification codes.

NMPGCALCSIZE

Contains and receives information that the pager control uses to calculate the scrollable area of the contained window. It is used with the PGN_CALCSIZE notification.

NMPGHOTITEM

Contains information used with the PGN_HOTITEMCHANGE notification code.

NMPGSCROLL

Contains and receives information that the pager control uses when scrolling the contained window. It is used with the PGN_SCROLL notification.

NMRBAUTOSIZE

Contains information used in handling the RBN_AUTOSIZE notification codes.

NMREBAR

Contains information used in handling various rebar notifications.

NMREBARAUTOBREAK

Contains information used with the RBN_AUTOBREAK notification code.

NMREBARCHEVRON

Contains information used in handling the RBN_CHEVRONPUSHED notification code.

NMREBARCHILDSize

Contains information used in handling the RBN_CHILDSize notification code.

NMREBARSPLITTER

Contains information used to handle an RBN_SPLITTERDRAG notification code.

NMSEARCHWEB

Contains information used to handle an [EN_SEARCHWEB](#) notification code.

NMSELCHANGE

Carries information required to process the MCN_SELCHANGE notification code.

NMTBCUSTOMDRAW

Contains information specific to an NM_CUSTOMDRAW notification code sent by a toolbar control.

NMTBDISPINFOA

Contains and receives display information for a toolbar item. This structure is used with the TBN_GETDISPINFO notification code.

NMTBDISPINFOW

Contains and receives display information for a toolbar item. This structure is used with the TBN_GETDISPINFO notification code.

NMTBGETINFOTIPA

Contains and receives infotip information for a toolbar item. This structure is used with the TBN_GETINFOTIP notification code.

NMTBGETINFOTIPW

Contains and receives infotip information for a toolbar item. This structure is used with the TBN_GETINFOTIP notification code.

NMTBHOTITEM

Contains information used with the TBN_HOTITEMCHANGE notification code.

NMTBRESTORE

Allows applications to extract the information that was placed in NMTBSAVE when the toolbar state was saved. This structure is passed to applications when they receive a TBN_RESTORE notification code.

NMTBSAVE

This structure is passed to applications when they receive a TBN_SAVE notification code. It contains information about the button currently being saved. Applications can modify the values of the members to save additional information.

NMTCKEYDOWN

Contains information about a key press in a tab control. It is used with the TCN_KEYDOWN notification code. This structure supersedes the TC_KEYDOWN structure.

NMTOOLBARA

Contains information used to process toolbar notification codes. This structure supersedes the TBNOTIFY structure.

NMTOOLBARW

Contains information used to process toolbar notification codes. This structure supersedes the TBNOTIFY structure.

NMTOOLTIPSCREATED

Contains information used with NM_TOOLTIPSCREATED notification codes.

NMTRBTHUMBPOSCHANGING

Contains information about a trackbar change notification. This message is sent with the TRBN_THUMBPOSCHANGING notification.

NMTREEVIEWA

Contains information about a tree-view notification message. This structure is identical to the NM_TREEVIEW structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions.

NMTREEVIEWW

Contains information about a tree-view notification message. This structure is identical to the NM_TREEVIEW structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions.

NMTTCUSTOMDRAW

Contains information specific to an NM_CUSTOMDRAW notification code sent by a tooltip control.

NMTTDISPINFOA

Contains information used in handling the TTN_GETDISPINFO notification code. This structure supersedes the TOOLTIPTEXT structure.

NMTTDISPINFOW

Contains information used in handling the TTN_GETDISPINFO notification code. This structure supersedes the TOOLTIPTEXT structure.

NMTVASYNCDRAW

Contains an explanation of why the draw of an icon or overlay tree item failed.

NMTVCUSTOMDRAW

Contains information specific to an NM_CUSTOMDRAW (tree view) notification code sent by a tree-view control.

NMTVDISPINFOA

Contains and receives display information for a tree-view item. This structure is identical to the TV_DISPINFO structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions.

NMTVDISPINFOEXA

Contains information pertaining to extended TreeView notification information.

NMTVDISPINFOEXW

Contains information pertaining to extended TreeView notification information.

NMTVDISPINFOW

Contains and receives display information for a tree-view item. This structure is identical to the TV_DISPINFO structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions.

NMTVGETINFOTIPA

Contains and receives tree-view item information needed to display a tooltip for an item. This structure is used with the TVN_GETINFOTIP notification code.

NMTVGETINFOTIPW

Contains and receives tree-view item information needed to display a tooltip for an item. This structure is used with the TVN_GETINFOTIP notification code.

NMTVITEMCHANGE

Contains information on a tree-view item change. This structure is sent with the TVN_ITEMCHANGED and TVN_ITEMCHANGING notifications.

NMTVKEYDOWN

Contains information about a keyboard event in a tree-view control. This structure is used with the TVN_KEYDOWN notification code. The structure is identical to the TV_KEYDOWN structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions.

NMTVSTATEIMAGECHANGING

Contains information about an NM_TVSTATEIMAGECHANGING notification code.

NMUPDOWN

Contains information specific to up-down control notification messages. It is identical to and replaces the NM_UPDOWN structure.

NMVIEWCHANGE

Stores information required to process the MCN_VIEWCHANGE notification code.

PBRANGE

Contains information about the high and low limits of a progress bar control. This structure is used with the PBM_GETRANGE message.

RBHITTESTINFO

Contains information specific to a hit test operation. This structure is used with the RB_HITTEST message.

REBARBANDINFOA

Contains information that defines a band in a rebar control.

REBARBANDINFOW

Contains information that defines a band in a rebar control.

REBARINFO

Contains information that describes rebar control characteristics.

TASKDIALOG_BUTTON

The TASKDIALOG_BUTTON structure contains information used to display a button in a task dialog. The TASKDIALOGCONFIG structure uses this structure.

TASKDIALOGCONFIG

The TASKDIALOGCONFIG structure contains information used to display a task dialog. The TaskDialogIndirect function uses this structure.

TBADDBITMAP

Adds a bitmap that contains button images to a toolbar.

TBBUTTON

Contains information about a button in a toolbar.

TBBUTTONINFOA

Contains or receives information for a specific button in a toolbar.

TBBUTTONINFOW

Contains or receives information for a specific button in a toolbar.

TBINSERTMARK

Contains information on the insertion mark in a toolbar control.

TBMETRICS

Defines the metrics of a toolbar that are used to shrink or expand toolbar items.

TBREPLACEBITMAP

Used with the TB_REPLACEBITMAP message to replace one toolbar bitmap with another.

TBSAVEPARAMSA

Specifies the location in the registry where the TB_SAVERESTORE message stores and retrieves information about the state of a toolbar.

TBSAVEPARAMSW

Specifies the location in the registry where the TB_SAVERESTORE message stores and retrieves information about the state of a toolbar.

TCHITTESTINFO

Contains information about a hit test. This structure supersedes the TC_HITTESTINFO structure.

TCITEMA

Specifies or receives the attributes of a tab item. It is used with the TCM_INSERTITEM, TCM_GETITEM, and TCM_SETITEM messages. This structure supersedes the TC_ITEM structure.

TCITEMHEADERA

Specifies or receives the attributes of a tab. It is used with the TCM_INSERTITEM, TCM_GETITEM, and TCM_SETITEM messages. This structure supersedes the TC_ITEMHEADER structure.

TCITEMHEADERW

Specifies or receives the attributes of a tab. It is used with the TCM_INSERTITEM, TCM_GETITEM, and TCM_SETITEM messages. This structure supersedes the TC_ITEMHEADER structure.

TCITEMW

Specifies or receives the attributes of a tab item. It is used with the TCM_INSERTITEM, TCM_GETITEM, and TCM_SETITEM messages. This structure supersedes the TC_ITEM structure.

TGETTITLE

Provides information about the title of a tooltip control.

TTHITTESTINFOA

Contains information that a tooltip control uses to determine whether a point is in the bounding rectangle of the specified tool. If the point is in the rectangle, the structure receives information about the tool.

TTHITTESTINFOW

Contains information that a tooltip control uses to determine whether a point is in the bounding rectangle of the specified tool. If the point is in the rectangle, the structure receives information about the tool.

TTTOOLINFOA

The TOOLINFO structure contains information about a tool in a tooltip control.

TTTOOLINFOW

The TOOLINFO structure contains information about a tool in a tooltip control.

TVGETITEMPARTRECTINFO

Contains information for identifying the "hit zone" for a specified part of a tree item. The structure is used with the TVM_GETITEMPARTRECT message and the TreeView_GetItemPartRect macro.

TVHITTESTINFO

Contains information used to determine the location of a point relative to a tree-view control.

TVINSERTSTRUCTA

Contains information used to add a new item to a tree-view control. This structure is used with the TVM_INSERTITEM message. The structure is identical to the TV_INSERTSTRUCT structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions.

TVINSERTSTRUCTW

Contains information used to add a new item to a tree-view control. This structure is used with the TVM_INSERTITEM message. The structure is identical to the TV_INSERTSTRUCT structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions.

TVITEMA

Specifies or receives attributes of a tree-view item. This structure is identical to the TV_ITEM structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions. New applications should use this structure.

TVITEMEXA

Specifies or receives attributes of a tree-view item. This structure is an enhancement to the TVITEM structure. New applications should use this structure where appropriate.

TVITEMEXW

Specifies or receives attributes of a tree-view item. This structure is an enhancement to the TVITEM structure. New applications should use this structure where appropriate.

TVITEMW

Specifies or receives attributes of a tree-view item. This structure is identical to the TV_ITEM structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions. New applications should use this structure.

TVSORTCB

Contains information used to sort child items in a tree-view control. This structure is used with the TVM_SORTCHILDRENCB message. This structure is identical to the TV_SORTCB structure, but it has been renamed to follow current naming conventions.

UDACCEL

Contains acceleration information for an up-down control.

Enumerations

EC_ENDOFLINE

Indicates the end of line character used by an edit control.

EC_SEARCHWEB_ENTRYPOINT

Defines constants that indicate the entry point of a web search.

_TrackMouseEvent function (commctrl.h)

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Posts messages when the mouse pointer leaves a window or hovers over a window for a specified amount of time. This function calls [TrackMouseEvent](#) if it exists, otherwise it emulates it.

Syntax

```
BOOL _TrackMouseEvent(  
    [in, out] LPTRACKMOUSEEVENT lpEventTrack  
);
```

Parameters

[in, out] lpEventTrack

Type: **LPTRACKMOUSEEVENT**

A pointer to a [TRACKMOUSEEVENT](#) structure that contains tracking information.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, return value is zero.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	commctrl.h
Library	Comctl32.lib
DLL	Comctl32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[Mouse Input](#)

Other Resources

Reference

[SystemParametersInfo](#)

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- [Data Exchange](#)
- [Desktop Window Manager \(DWM\)](#)
- [Developer Notes](#)
- [Dialog Boxes](#)
- [Display Devices Reference](#)
- [High DPI](#)
- [Input Feedback Configuration](#)
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- [Keyboard and Mouse Input](#)
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- [Windows Accessibility Features](#)
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- [Windows Controls](#)
- [Windows GDI](#)

winuser.h contains the following programming interfaces:

Functions

[ActivateKeyboardLayout](#)

Sets the input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout handle) for the calling thread or the current process. The input locale identifier specifies a locale as well as the physical layout of the keyboard.

[AddClipboardFormatListener](#)

Places the given window in the system-maintained clipboard format listener list.

[AdjustWindowRect](#)

Calculates the required size of the window rectangle, based on the desired client-rectangle size. The window rectangle can then be passed to the `CreateWindow` function to create a window whose client area is the desired size.

[AdjustWindowRectEx](#)

Calculates the required size of the window rectangle, based on the desired size of the client rectangle. The window rectangle can then be passed to the `CreateWindowEx` function to create a window whose client area is the desired size.

[AdjustWindowRectExForDpi](#)

Calculates the required size of the window rectangle, based on the desired size of the client rectangle and the provided DPI.

[AllowSetForegroundWindow](#)

Enables the specified process to set the foreground window using the `SetForegroundWindow` function. The calling process must already be able to set the foreground window. For more information, see Remarks later in this topic.

[AnimateWindow](#)

Enables you to produce special effects when showing or hiding windows. There are four types of animation: `_roll`, `slide`, `collapse` or `expand`, and `alpha-blended fade`.

[AnyPopup](#)

Indicates whether an owned, visible, top-level pop-up, or overlapped window exists on the screen. The function searches the entire screen, not just the calling application's client area.

[AppendMenuA](#)

Appends a new item to the end of the specified menu bar, drop-down menu, submenu, or shortcut menu. You can use this function to specify the content, appearance, and behavior of the menu item.

[AppendMenuW](#)

Appends a new item to the end of the specified menu bar, drop-down menu, submenu, or shortcut menu. You can use this function to specify the content, appearance, and behavior of the menu item.

[AreDpiAwarenessContextsEqual](#)

Determines whether two `DPI_AWARENESS_CONTEXT` values are identical.

[ArrangeIconicWindows](#)

Arranges all the minimized (iconic) child windows of the specified parent window.

[AttachThreadInput](#)

Attaches or detaches the input processing mechanism of one thread to that of another thread.

[BeginDeferWindowPos](#)

Allocates memory for a multiple-window- position structure and returns the handle to the structure.

[BeginPaint](#)

The BeginPaint function prepares the specified window for painting and fills a PAINTSTRUCT structure with information about the painting.

[BlockInput](#)

Blocks keyboard and mouse input events from reaching applications.

[BringWindowToTop](#)

Brings the specified window to the top of the Z order. If the window is a top-level window, it is activated. If the window is a child window, the top-level parent window associated with the child window is activated.

[BroadcastSystemMessage](#)

Sends a message to the specified recipients.

[BroadcastSystemMessageA](#)

Sends a message to the specified recipients.

[BroadcastSystemMessageExA](#)

Sends a message to the specified recipients.

[BroadcastSystemMessageExW](#)

Sends a message to the specified recipients.

[BroadcastSystemMessageW](#)

Sends a message to the specified recipients.

[CalculatePopupWindowPosition](#)

Calculates an appropriate pop-up window position using the specified anchor point, pop-up window size, flags, and the optional exclude rectangle.

[CallMsgFilterA](#)

Passes the specified message and hook code to the hook procedures associated with the WH_SYSMSGFILTER and WH_MSGFILTER hooks.

[CallMsgFilterW](#)

Passes the specified message and hook code to the hook procedures associated with the WH_SYSMSGFILTER and WH_MSGFILTER hooks.

[CallNextHookEx](#)

Passes the hook information to the next hook procedure in the current hook chain. A hook procedure can call this function either before or after processing the hook information.

[CallWindowProcA](#)

Passes message information to the specified window procedure.

[CallWindowProcW](#)

Passes message information to the specified window procedure.

[CascadeWindows](#)

Cascades the specified child windows of the specified parent window.

[ChangeClipboardChain](#)

Removes a specified window from the chain of clipboard viewers.

[ChangeDisplaySettingsA](#)

The ChangeDisplaySettings function changes the settings of the default display device to the specified graphics mode.

[ChangeDisplaySettingsExA](#)

The ChangeDisplaySettingsEx function changes the settings of the specified display device to the specified graphics mode.

[ChangeDisplaySettingsExW](#)

The ChangeDisplaySettingsEx function changes the settings of the specified display device to the specified graphics mode.

[ChangeDisplaySettingsW](#)

The ChangeDisplaySettings function changes the settings of the default display device to the specified graphics mode.

[ChangeWindowMessageFilter](#)

Adds or removes a message from the User Interface Privilege Isolation (UIPI) message filter.

[ChangeWindowMessageFilterEx](#)

Modifies the User Interface Privilege Isolation (UIPI) message filter for a specified window.

[CharLowerA](#)

Converts a character string or a single character to lowercase. If the operand is a character string, the function converts the characters in place.

[CharLowerBuffA](#)

Converts uppercase characters in a buffer to lowercase characters. The function converts the characters in place.

[CharLowerBuffW](#)

Converts uppercase characters in a buffer to lowercase characters. The function converts the characters in place.

[CharLowerW](#)

Converts a character string or a single character to lowercase. If the operand is a character string, the function converts the characters in place.

[CharNextA](#)

Retrieves a pointer to the next character in a string. This function can handle strings consisting of either single- or multi-byte characters.

[CharNextExA](#)

Retrieves the pointer to the next character in a string. This function can handle strings consisting of either single- or multi-byte characters.

[CharNextW](#)

Retrieves a pointer to the next character in a string. This function can handle strings consisting of either single- or multi-byte characters.

[CharPrevA](#)

Retrieves a pointer to the preceding character in a string. This function can handle strings consisting of either single- or multi-byte characters.

[CharPrevExA](#)

Retrieves the pointer to the preceding character in a string. This function can handle strings consisting of either single- or multi-byte characters.

[CharPrevW](#)

Retrieves a pointer to the preceding character in a string. This function can handle strings consisting of either single- or multi-byte characters.

[CharToOemA](#)

Translates a string into the OEM-defined character set.Warning Do not use.

[CharToOemBuffA](#)

Translates a specified number of characters in a string into the OEM-defined character set.

[CharToOemBuffW](#)

Translates a specified number of characters in a string into the OEM-defined character set.

[CharToOemW](#)

Translates a string into the OEM-defined character set.Warning Do not use.

[CharUpperA](#)

Converts a character string or a single character to uppercase. If the operand is a character string, the function converts the characters in place.

CharUpperBuffA

Converts lowercase characters in a buffer to uppercase characters. The function converts the characters in place.

CharUpperBuffW

Converts lowercase characters in a buffer to uppercase characters. The function converts the characters in place.

CharUpperW

Converts a character string or a single character to uppercase. If the operand is a character string, the function converts the characters in place.

CheckDlgButton

Changes the check state of a button control.

CheckMenuItem

Sets the state of the specified menu item's check-mark attribute to either selected or clear.

CheckMenuRadioItem

Checks a specified menu item and makes it a radio item. At the same time, the function clears all other menu items in the associated group and clears the radio-item type flag for those items.

CheckRadioButton

Adds a check mark to (checks) a specified radio button in a group and removes a check mark from (clears) all other radio buttons in the group.

ChildWindowFromPoint

Determines which, if any, of the child windows belonging to a parent window contains the specified point. The search is restricted to immediate child windows. Grandchildren, and deeper descendant windows are not searched.

ChildWindowFromPointEx

Determines which, if any, of the child windows belonging to the specified parent window contains the specified point.

ClientToScreen

The ClientToScreen function converts the client-area coordinates of a specified point to screen coordinates.

ClipCursor

Confines the cursor to a rectangular area on the screen.

CloseClipboard

Closes the clipboard.

CloseDesktop

Closes an open handle to a desktop object.

[CloseGestureInfoHandle](#)

Closes resources associated with a gesture information handle.

[CloseTouchInputHandle](#)

Closes a touch input handle, frees process memory associated with it, and invalidates the handle.

[CloseWindow](#)

Minimizes (but does not destroy) the specified window.

[CloseWindowStation](#)

Closes an open window station handle.

[CopyAcceleratorTableA](#)

Copies the specified accelerator table. This function is used to obtain the accelerator-table data that corresponds to an accelerator-table handle, or to determine the size of the accelerator-table data.

[CopyAcceleratorTableW](#)

Copies the specified accelerator table. This function is used to obtain the accelerator-table data that corresponds to an accelerator-table handle, or to determine the size of the accelerator-table data.

[CopyCursor](#)

Copies the specified cursor.

[CopyIcon](#)

Copies the specified icon from another module to the current module.

[CopyImage](#)

Creates a new image (icon, cursor, or bitmap) and copies the attributes of the specified image to the new one. If necessary, the function stretches the bits to fit the desired size of the new image.

[CopyRect](#)

The CopyRect function copies the coordinates of one rectangle to another.

[CountClipboardFormats](#)

Retrieves the number of different data formats currently on the clipboard.

[CreateAcceleratorTableA](#)

Creates an accelerator table.

[CreateAcceleratorTableW](#)

Creates an accelerator table.

CreateCaret

Creates a new shape for the system caret and assigns ownership of the caret to the specified window. The caret shape can be a line, a block, or a bitmap.

CreateCursor

Creates a cursor having the specified size, bit patterns, and hot spot.

CreateDesktopA

Creates a new desktop, associates it with the current window station of the calling process, and assigns it to the calling thread.

CreateDesktopExA

Creates a new desktop with the specified heap, associates it with the current window station of the calling process, and assigns it to the calling thread.

CreateDesktopExW

Creates a new desktop with the specified heap, associates it with the current window station of the calling process, and assigns it to the calling thread.

CreateDesktopW

Creates a new desktop, associates it with the current window station of the calling process, and assigns it to the calling thread.

CreateDialogA

Creates a modeless dialog box from a dialog box template resource. The CreateDialog macro uses the CreateDialogParam function.

CreateDialogIndirectA

Creates a modeless dialog box from a dialog box template in memory. The CreateDialogIndirect macro uses the CreateDialogIndirectParam function.

CreateDialogIndirectParamA

Creates a modeless dialog box from a dialog box template in memory.

CreateDialogIndirectParamW

Creates a modeless dialog box from a dialog box template in memory.

CreateDialogIndirectW

Creates a modeless dialog box from a dialog box template in memory. The CreateDialogIndirect macro uses the CreateDialogIndirectParam function.

CreateDialogParamA

Creates a modeless dialog box from a dialog box template resource.

CreateDialogParamW

Creates a modeless dialog box from a dialog box template resource.

CreateDialogW

Creates a modeless dialog box from a dialog box template resource. The CreateDialog macro uses the CreateDialogParam function.

CreateIcon

Creates an icon that has the specified size, colors, and bit patterns.

CreateIconFromResource

Creates an icon or cursor from resource bits describing the icon.

CreateIconFromResourceEx

Creates an icon or cursor from resource bits describing the icon.

CreateIconIndirect

Creates an icon or cursor from an ICONINFO structure.

CreateMDIWindowA

Creates a multiple-document interface (MDI) child window.

CreateMDIWindowW

Creates a multiple-document interface (MDI) child window.

CreateMenu

Creates a menu. The menu is initially empty, but it can be filled with menu items by using the InsertMenuItem, AppendMenu, and InsertMenu functions.

CreatePopupMenu

Creates a drop-down menu, submenu, or shortcut menu.

CreateSyntheticPointerDevice

Configures the pointer injection device for the calling application, and initializes the maximum number of simultaneous pointers that the app can inject.

CreateWindowA

Creates an overlapped, pop-up, or child window.

CreateWindowExA

Creates an overlapped, pop-up, or child window with an extended window style; otherwise, this function is identical to the CreateWindow function.

CreateWindowExW

Creates an overlapped, pop-up, or child window with an extended window style; otherwise, this function is identical to the CreateWindow function.

CreateWindowStationA

Creates a window station object, associates it with the calling process, and assigns it to the current session.

CreateWindowStationW

Creates a window station object, associates it with the calling process, and assigns it to the current session.

CreateWindowW

Creates an overlapped, pop-up, or child window.

DefDlgProcA

Calls the default dialog box window procedure to provide default processing for any window messages that a dialog box with a private window class does not process.

DefDlgProcW

Calls the default dialog box window procedure to provide default processing for any window messages that a dialog box with a private window class does not process.

DeferWindowPos

Updates the specified multiple-window  position structure for the specified window.

DefFrameProcA

Provides default processing for any window messages that the window procedure of a multiple-document interface (MDI) frame window does not process.

DefFrameProcW

Provides default processing for any window messages that the window procedure of a multiple-document interface (MDI) frame window does not process.

DefMDIChildProcA

Provides default processing for any window message that the window procedure of a multiple-document interface (MDI) child window does not process.

DefMDIChildProcW

Provides default processing for any window message that the window procedure of a multiple-document interface (MDI) child window does not process.

DefRawInputProc

Verifies that the size of the RAWINPUTHEADER structure is correct.

DefWindowProcA

Calls the default window procedure to provide default processing for any window messages that an application does not process.

DefWindowProcW

Calls the default window procedure to provide default processing for any window messages that an application does not process.

DeleteMenu

Deletes an item from the specified menu. If the menu item opens a menu or submenu, this function destroys the handle to the menu or submenu and frees the memory used by the menu or submenu.

DeregisterShellHookWindow

Unregisters a specified Shell window that is registered to receive Shell hook messages.

DestroyAcceleratorTable

Destroys an accelerator table.

DestroyCaret

Destroys the caret's current shape, frees the caret from the window, and removes the caret from the screen.

DestroyCursor

Destroys a cursor and frees any memory the cursor occupied. Do not use this function to destroy a shared cursor.

DestroyIcon

Destroys an icon and frees any memory the icon occupied.

DestroyMenu

Destroys the specified menu and frees any memory that the menu occupies.

DestroySyntheticPointerDevice

Destroys the specified pointer injection device.

DestroyWindow

Destroys the specified window.

DialogBoxA

Creates a modal dialog box from a dialog box template resource. DialogBox does not return control until the specified callback function terminates the modal dialog box by calling the EndDialog function.

DialogBoxIndirectA

Creates a modal dialog box from a dialog box template in memory. DialogBoxIndirect does not return control until the specified callback function terminates the modal dialog box by calling the EndDialog function.

[DialogBoxIndirectParamA](#)

Creates a modal dialog box from a dialog box template in memory.

[DialogBoxIndirectParamW](#)

Creates a modal dialog box from a dialog box template in memory.

[DialogBoxIndirectW](#)

Creates a modal dialog box from a dialog box template in memory. DialogBoxIndirect does not return control until the specified callback function terminates the modal dialog box by calling the EndDialog function.

[DialogBoxParamA](#)

Creates a modal dialog box from a dialog box template resource.

[DialogBoxParamW](#)

Creates a modal dialog box from a dialog box template resource.

[DialogBoxW](#)

Creates a modal dialog box from a dialog box template resource. DialogBox does not return control until the specified callback function terminates the modal dialog box by calling the EndDialog function.

[DisableProcessWindowsGhosting](#)

Disables the window ghosting feature for the calling GUI process. Window ghosting is a Windows Manager feature that lets the user minimize, move, or close the main window of an application that is not responding.

[DispatchMessage](#)

Dispatches a message to a window procedure. It is typically used to dispatch a message retrieved by the GetMessage function.

[DispatchMessageA](#)

Dispatches a message to a window procedure. It is typically used to dispatch a message retrieved by the GetMessage function.

[DispatchMessageW](#)

Dispatches a message to a window procedure. It is typically used to dispatch a message retrieved by the GetMessage function.

[DisplayConfigGetDeviceInfo](#)

The DisplayConfigGetDeviceInfo function retrieves display configuration information about the device.

[DisplayConfigSetDeviceInfo](#)

The DisplayConfigSetDeviceInfo function sets the properties of a target.

[DlgDirListA](#)

Replaces the contents of a list box with the names of the subdirectories and files in a specified directory. You can filter the list of names by specifying a set of file attributes. The list can optionally include mapped drives.

[DlgDirListComboBoxA](#)

Replaces the contents of a combo box with the names of the subdirectories and files in a specified directory. You can filter the list of names by specifying a set of file attributes. The list of names can include mapped drive letters.

[DlgDirListComboBoxW](#)

Replaces the contents of a combo box with the names of the subdirectories and files in a specified directory. You can filter the list of names by specifying a set of file attributes. The list of names can include mapped drive letters.

[DlgDirListW](#)

Replaces the contents of a list box with the names of the subdirectories and files in a specified directory. You can filter the list of names by specifying a set of file attributes. The list can optionally include mapped drives.

[DlgDirSelectComboBoxExA](#)

Retrieves the current selection from a combo box filled by using the DlgDirListComboBox function. The selection is interpreted as a drive letter, a file, or a directory name.

[DlgDirSelectComboBoxExW](#)

Retrieves the current selection from a combo box filled by using the DlgDirListComboBox function. The selection is interpreted as a drive letter, a file, or a directory name.

[DlgDirSelectExA](#)

Retrieves the current selection from a single-selection list box. It assumes that the list box has been filled by the DlgDirList function and that the selection is a drive letter, filename, or directory name.

[DlgDirSelectExW](#)

Retrieves the current selection from a single-selection list box. It assumes that the list box has been filled by the DlgDirList function and that the selection is a drive letter, filename, or directory name.

[DragDetect](#)

Captures the mouse and tracks its movement until the user releases the left button, presses the ESC key, or moves the mouse outside the drag rectangle around the specified point.

[DrawAnimatedRects](#)

Animates the caption of a window to indicate the opening of an icon or the minimizing or maximizing of a window.

[DrawCaption](#)

The DrawCaption function draws a window caption.

[DrawEdge](#)

The DrawEdge function draws one or more edges of rectangle.

[DrawFocusRect](#)

The DrawFocusRect function draws a rectangle in the style used to indicate that the rectangle has the focus.

[DrawFrameControl](#)

The DrawFrameControl function draws a frame control of the specified type and style.

[DrawIcon](#)

Draws an icon or cursor into the specified device context.

[DrawIconEx](#)

Draws an icon or cursor into the specified device context, performing the specified raster operations, and stretching or compressing the icon or cursor as specified.

[DrawMenuBar](#)

Redraws the menu bar of the specified window. If the menu bar changes after the system has created the window, this function must be called to draw the changed menu bar.

[DrawStateA](#)

The DrawState function displays an image and applies a visual effect to indicate a state, such as a disabled or default state.

[DrawStateW](#)

The DrawState function displays an image and applies a visual effect to indicate a state, such as a disabled or default state.

[DrawText](#)

The DrawText function draws formatted text in the specified rectangle. It formats the text according to the specified method (expanding tabs, justifying characters, breaking lines, and so forth).

[DrawTextA](#)

The DrawText function draws formatted text in the specified rectangle. It formats the text according to the specified method (expanding tabs, justifying characters, breaking lines, and so forth).

[DrawTextExA](#)

The DrawTextEx function draws formatted text in the specified rectangle.

[DrawTextExW](#)

The DrawTextEx function draws formatted text in the specified rectangle.

[DrawTextW](#)

The DrawText function draws formatted text in the specified rectangle. It formats the text according to the specified method (expanding tabs, justifying characters, breaking lines, and so forth).

[EmptyClipboard](#)

Empties the clipboard and frees handles to data in the clipboard. The function then assigns ownership of the clipboard to the window that currently has the clipboard open.

[EnableMenuItem](#)

Enables, disables, or grays the specified menu item.

[EnableMouseInPointer](#)

Enables the mouse to act as a pointer input device and send WM_POINTER messages.

[EnableNonClientDpiScaling](#)

In high-DPI displays, enables automatic display scaling of the non-client area portions of the specified top-level window. Must be called during the initialization of that window.

[EnableScrollBar](#)

The EnableScrollBar function enables or disables one or both scroll bar arrows.

[EnableWindow](#)

Enables or disables mouse and keyboard input to the specified window or control. When input is disabled, the window does not receive input such as mouse clicks and key presses. When input is enabled, the window receives all input.

[EndDeferWindowPos](#)

Simultaneously updates the position and size of one or more windows in a single screen-refreshing cycle.

[EndDialog](#)

Destroys a modal dialog box, causing the system to end any processing for the dialog box.

[EndMenu](#)

Ends the calling thread's active menu.

[EndPaint](#)

The EndPaint function marks the end of painting in the specified window. This function is required for each call to the BeginPaint function, but only after painting is complete.

[EndTask](#)

Forcibly closes the specified window.

[EnumChildWindows](#)

Enumerates the child windows that belong to the specified parent window by passing the handle to each child window, in turn, to an application-defined callback function.

[EnumClipboardFormats](#)

Enumerates the data formats currently available on the clipboard.

[EnumDesktopsA](#)

Enumerates all desktops associated with the specified window station of the calling process. The function passes the name of each desktop, in turn, to an application-defined callback function.

[EnumDesktopsW](#)

Enumerates all desktops associated with the specified window station of the calling process. The function passes the name of each desktop, in turn, to an application-defined callback function.

[EnumDesktopWindows](#)

Enumerates all top-level windows associated with the specified desktop. It passes the handle to each window, in turn, to an application-defined callback function.

[EnumDisplayDevicesA](#)

The EnumDisplayDevices function lets you obtain information about the display devices in the current session.

[EnumDisplayDevicesW](#)

The EnumDisplayDevices function lets you obtain information about the display devices in the current session.

[EnumDisplayMonitors](#)

The EnumDisplayMonitors function enumerates display monitors (including invisible pseudo-monitors associated with the mirroring drivers) that intersect a region formed by the intersection of a specified clipping rectangle and the visible region of a device context. EnumDisplayMonitors calls an application-defined MonitorEnumProc callback function once for each monitor that is enumerated. Note that GetSystemMetrics (SM_CMONITORS) counts only the display monitors.

[EnumDisplaySettingsA](#)

The EnumDisplaySettings function retrieves information about one of the graphics modes for a display device. To retrieve information for all the graphics modes of a display device, make a series of calls to this function.

[EnumDisplaySettingsExA](#)

The EnumDisplaySettingsEx function retrieves information about one of the graphics modes for a display device. To retrieve information for all the graphics modes for a display device, make a series of calls to this function.

[EnumDisplaySettingsExW](#)

The EnumDisplaySettingsEx function retrieves information about one of the graphics modes for a display device. To retrieve information for all the graphics modes for a display device, make a series of calls to this function.

[EnumDisplaySettingsW](#)

The EnumDisplaySettings function retrieves information about one of the graphics modes for a display device. To retrieve information for all the graphics modes of a display device, make a series of calls to this function.

[EnumPropsA](#)

Enumerates all entries in the property list of a window by passing them, one by one, to the specified callback function. EnumProps continues until the last entry is enumerated or the callback function returns FALSE.

[EnumPropsExA](#)

Enumerates all entries in the property list of a window by passing them, one by one, to the specified callback function. EnumPropsEx continues until the last entry is enumerated or the callback function returns FALSE.

[EnumPropsExW](#)

Enumerates all entries in the property list of a window by passing them, one by one, to the specified callback function. EnumPropsEx continues until the last entry is enumerated or the callback function returns FALSE.

[EnumPropsW](#)

Enumerates all entries in the property list of a window by passing them, one by one, to the specified callback function. EnumProps continues until the last entry is enumerated or the callback function returns FALSE.

[EnumThreadWindows](#)

Enumerates all nonchild windows associated with a thread by passing the handle to each window, in turn, to an application-defined callback function.

[EnumWindows](#)

Enumerates all top-level windows on the screen by passing the handle to each window, in turn, to an application-defined callback function. EnumWindows continues until the last top-level window is enumerated or the callback function returns FALSE.

[EnumWindowStationsA](#)

Enumerates all window stations in the current session. The function passes the name of each window station, in turn, to an application-defined callback function.

[EnumWindowStationsW](#)

Enumerates all window stations in the current session. The function passes the name of each window station, in turn, to an application-defined callback function.

[EqualRect](#)

The EqualRect function determines whether the two specified rectangles are equal by comparing the coordinates of their upper-left and lower-right corners.

[EvaluateProximityToPolygon](#)

Returns the score of a polygon as the probable touch target (compared to all other polygons that intersect the touch contact area) and an adjusted touch point within the polygon.

[EvaluateProximityToRect](#)

Returns the score of a rectangle as the probable touch target, compared to all other rectangles that intersect the touch contact area, and an adjusted touch point within the rectangle.

[ExcludeUpdateRgn](#)

The ExcludeUpdateRgn function prevents drawing within invalid areas of a window by excluding an updated region in the window from a clipping region.

[ExitWindows](#)

Calls the ExitWindowsEx function to log off the interactive user.

ExitWindowsEx

Logs off the interactive user, shuts down the system, or shuts down and restarts the system.

FillRect

The FillRect function fills a rectangle by using the specified brush. This function includes the left and top borders, but excludes the right and bottom borders of the rectangle.

FindWindowA

Retrieves a handle to the top-level window whose class name and window name match the specified strings. This function does not search child windows. This function does not perform a case-sensitive search.

FindWindowExA

Retrieves a handle to a window whose class name and window name match the specified strings. The function searches child windows, beginning with the one following the specified child window. This function does not perform a case-sensitive search.

FindWindowExW

Retrieves a handle to a window whose class name and window name match the specified strings. The function searches child windows, beginning with the one following the specified child window. This function does not perform a case-sensitive search.

FindWindowW

Retrieves a handle to the top-level window whose class name and window name match the specified strings. This function does not search child windows. This function does not perform a case-sensitive search.

FlashWindow

Flashes the specified window one time. It does not change the active state of the window.

FlashWindowEx

Flashes the specified window. It does not change the active state of the window.

FrameRect

The FrameRect function draws a border around the specified rectangle by using the specified brush. The width and height of the border are always one logical unit.

GET_APPCOMMAND_LPARAM

Retrieves the application command from the specified LPARAM value.

GET_DEVICE_LPARAM

Retrieves the input device type from the specified LPARAM value.

GET_FLAGS_LPARAM

Retrieves the state of certain virtual keys from the specified LPARAM value.

[GET_KEYSTATE_LPARAM](#)

Retrieves the state of certain virtual keys from the specified LPARAM value.

[GET_KEYSTATE_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the state of certain virtual keys from the specified WPARAM value.

[GET_NCHITTEST_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the hit-test value from the specified WPARAM value.

[GET_POINTERID_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the pointer ID using the specified value.

[GET_RAWINPUT_CODE_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the input code from wParam in WM_INPUT.

[GET_WHEEL_DELTA_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the wheel-delta value from the specified WPARAM value.

[GET_XBUTTON_WPARAM](#)

Retrieves the state of certain buttons from the specified WPARAM value.

[GetActiveWindow](#)

Retrieves the window handle to the active window attached to the calling thread's message queue.

[GetAltTabInfoA](#)

Retrieves status information for the specified window if it is the application-switching (ALT+TAB) window.

[GetAltTabInfoW](#)

Retrieves status information for the specified window if it is the application-switching (ALT+TAB) window.

[GetAncestor](#)

Retrieves the handle to the ancestor of the specified window.

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

Determines whether a key is up or down at the time the function is called, and whether the key was pressed after a previous call to GetAsyncKeyState.

[GetAutoRotationState](#)

Retrieves an AR_STATE value containing the state of screen auto-rotation for the system, for example whether auto-rotation is supported, and whether it is enabled by the user.

[GetAwarenessFromDpiAwarenessContext](#)

Retrieves the DPI_AWARENESS value from a DPI_AWARENESS_CONTEXT.

[GetCapture](#)

Retrieves a handle to the window (if any) that has captured the mouse. Only one window at a time can capture the mouse; this window receives mouse input whether or not the cursor is within its borders.

[GetCaretBlinkTime](#)

Retrieves the time required to invert the caret's pixels. The user can set this value.

[GetCaretPos](#)

Copies the caret's position to the specified POINT structure.

[GetCIMSSM](#)

Retrieves the source of the input message (GetCurrentInputMessageSourceInSendMessage).

[GetClassInfoA](#)

Retrieves information about a window class.

[GetClassInfoExA](#)

Retrieves information about a window class, including a handle to the small icon associated with the window class. The GetClassInfo function does not retrieve a handle to the small icon.

[GetClassInfoExW](#)

Retrieves information about a window class, including a handle to the small icon associated with the window class. The GetClassInfo function does not retrieve a handle to the small icon.

[GetClassInfoW](#)

Retrieves information about a window class.

[GetClassLongA](#)

Retrieves the specified 32-bit (DWORD) value from the WNDCLASSEX structure associated with the specified window.

[GetClassLongPtrA](#)

Retrieves the specified value from the WNDCLASSEX structure associated with the specified window.

[GetClassLongPtrW](#)

Retrieves the specified value from the WNDCLASSEX structure associated with the specified window.

[GetClassLongW](#)

Retrieves the specified 32-bit (DWORD) value from the WNDCLASSEX structure associated with the specified window.

[GetClassName](#)

Retrieves the name of the class to which the specified window belongs.

[GetClassNameA](#)

Retrieves the name of the class to which the specified window belongs.

[GetClassNameW](#)

Retrieves the name of the class to which the specified window belongs.

[GetClassWord](#)

Retrieves the 16-bit (WORD) value at the specified offset into the extra class memory for the window class to which the specified window belongs.

[GetClientRect](#)

Retrieves the coordinates of a window's client area.

[GetClipboardData](#)

Retrieves data from the clipboard in a specified format. The clipboard must have been opened previously.

[GetClipboardFormatNameA](#)

Retrieves from the clipboard the name of the specified registered format. The function copies the name to the specified buffer.

[GetClipboardFormatNameW](#)

Retrieves from the clipboard the name of the specified registered format. The function copies the name to the specified buffer.

[GetClipboardOwner](#)

Retrieves the window handle of the current owner of the clipboard.

[GetClipboardSequenceNumber](#)

Retrieves the clipboard sequence number for the current window station.

[GetClipboardViewer](#)

Retrieves the handle to the first window in the clipboard viewer chain.

[GetClipCursor](#)

Retrieves the screen coordinates of the rectangular area to which the cursor is confined.

[GetComboBoxInfo](#)

Retrieves information about the specified combo box.

[GetCurrentInputMessageSource](#)

Retrieves the source of the input message.

[GetCursor](#)

Retrieves a handle to the current cursor.

[GetCursorInfo](#)

Retrieves information about the global cursor.

[GetCursorPos](#)

Retrieves the position of the mouse cursor, in screen coordinates.

[GetDC](#)

The GetDC function retrieves a handle to a device context (DC) for the client area of a specified window or for the entire screen.

[GetDCEX](#)

The GetDCEX function retrieves a handle to a device context (DC) for the client area of a specified window or for the entire screen.

[GetDesktopWindow](#)

Retrieves a handle to the desktop window. The desktop window covers the entire screen. The desktop window is the area on top of which other windows are painted.

[GetDialogBaseUnits](#)

Retrieves the system's dialog base units, which are the average width and height of characters in the system font.

[GetDialogControlDpiChangeBehavior](#)

Retrieves and per-monitor DPI scaling behavior overrides of a child window in a dialog.

[GetDialogDpiChangeBehavior](#)

Returns the flags that might have been set on a given dialog by an earlier call to SetDialogDpiChangeBehavior.

[GetDisplayAutoRotationPreferences](#)

Retrieves the screen auto-rotation preferences for the current process.

[GetDisplayAutoRotationPreferencesByProcessId](#)

Retrieves the screen auto-rotation preferences for the process indicated by the dwProcessId parameter.

[GetDisplayConfigBufferSizes](#)

The GetDisplayConfigBufferSizes function retrieves the size of the buffers that are required to call the QueryDisplayConfig function.

[GetDlgCtrlID](#)

Retrieves the identifier of the specified control.

[GetDlgItem](#)

Retrieves a handle to a control in the specified dialog box.

[GetDlgItemInt](#)

Translates the text of a specified control in a dialog box into an integer value.

[GetDlgItemTextA](#)

Retrieves the title or text associated with a control in a dialog box.

[GetDlgItemTextW](#)

Retrieves the title or text associated with a control in a dialog box.

[GetDoubleClickTime](#)

Retrieves the current double-click time for the mouse.

[GetDpiForSystem](#)

Returns the system DPI.

[GetDpiForWindow](#)

Returns the dots per inch (dpi) value for the specified window.

[GetDpiFromDpiAwarenessContext](#)

Retrieves the DPI from a given DPI_AWARENESS_CONTEXT handle. This enables you to determine the DPI of a thread without needed to examine a window created within that thread.

[GetFocus](#)

Retrieves the handle to the window that has the keyboard focus, if the window is attached to the calling thread's message queue.

[GetForegroundWindow](#)

Retrieves a handle to the foreground window (the window with which the user is currently working). The system assigns a slightly higher priority to the thread that creates the foreground window than it does to other threads.

[GetGestureConfig](#)

Retrieves the configuration for which Windows Touch gesture messages are sent from a window.

[GetGestureExtraArgs](#)

Retrieves additional information about a gesture from its GESTUREINFO handle.

[GetGestureInfo](#)

Retrieves a GESTUREINFO structure given a handle to the gesture information.

[GetGuiResources](#)

Retrieves the count of handles to graphical user interface (GUI) objects in use by the specified process.

[GetGUIThreadInfo](#)

Retrieves information about the active window or a specified GUI thread.

[GetIconInfo](#)

Retrieves information about the specified icon or cursor.

[GetIconInfoExA](#)

Retrieves information about the specified icon or cursor. GetIconInfoEx extends GetIconInfo by using the newer ICONINFOEX structure.

[GetIconInfoExW](#)

Retrieves information about the specified icon or cursor. GetIconInfoEx extends GetIconInfo by using the newer ICONINFOEX structure.

[GetInputState](#)

Determines whether there are mouse-button or keyboard messages in the calling thread's message queue.

[GetKBCodePage](#)

Retrieves the current code page.

[GetKeyboardLayout](#)

Retrieves the active input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout).

[GetKeyboardLayoutList](#)

Retrieves the input locale identifiers (formerly called keyboard layout handles) corresponding to the current set of input locales in the system. The function copies the identifiers to the specified buffer.

[GetKeyboardLayoutNameA](#)

Retrieves the name of the active input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) for the system.

[GetKeyboardLayoutNameW](#)

Retrieves the name of the active input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) for the system.

[GetKeyboardState](#)

Copies the status of the 256 virtual keys to the specified buffer.

[GetKeyboardType](#)

Retrieves information about the current keyboard.

[GetKeyNameTextA](#)

Retrieves a string that represents the name of a key.

[GetKeyNameTextW](#)

Retrieves a string that represents the name of a key.

[GetKeyState](#)

Retrieves the status of the specified virtual key. The status specifies whether the key is up, down, or toggled (on, off↕alternating each time the key is pressed).

[GetLastActivePopup](#)

Determines which pop-up window owned by the specified window was most recently active.

[GetLastInputInfo](#)

Retrieves the time of the last input event.

[GetLayeredWindowAttributes](#)

Retrieves the opacity and transparency color key of a layered window.

[GetListBoxInfo](#)

Retrieves the number of items per column in a specified list box.

[GetMenu](#)

Retrieves a handle to the menu assigned to the specified window.

[GetMenuBarInfo](#)

Retrieves information about the specified menu bar.

[GetMenuCheckMarkDimensions](#)

Retrieves the dimensions of the default check-mark bitmap.

[GetMenuContextHelpId](#)

Retrieves the Help context identifier associated with the specified menu.

[GetMenuDefaultItem](#)

Determines the default menu item on the specified menu.

[GetMenuInfo](#)

Retrieves information about a specified menu.

[GetMenuItemCount](#)

Determines the number of items in the specified menu.

[GetMenuItemID](#)

Retrieves the menu item identifier of a menu item located at the specified position in a menu.

[GetMenuItemInfoA](#)

Retrieves information about a menu item.

[GetMenuItemInfoW](#)

Retrieves information about a menu item.

[GetMenuItemRect](#)

Retrieves the bounding rectangle for the specified menu item.

[GetMenuState](#)

Retrieves the menu flags associated with the specified menu item.

[GetMenuStringA](#)

Copies the text string of the specified menu item into the specified buffer.

[GetMenuStringW](#)

Copies the text string of the specified menu item into the specified buffer.

[GetMessage](#)

Retrieves a message from the calling thread's message queue. The function dispatches incoming sent messages until a posted message is available for retrieval.

[GetMessageA](#)

Retrieves a message from the calling thread's message queue. The function dispatches incoming sent messages until a posted message is available for retrieval.

[GetMessageExtraInfo](#)

Retrieves the extra message information for the current thread. Extra message information is an application- or driver-defined value associated with the current thread's message queue.

[GetMessagePos](#)

Retrieves the cursor position for the last message retrieved by the GetMessage function.

[GetMessageTime](#)

Retrieves the message time for the last message retrieved by the GetMessage function.

[GetMessageW](#)

Retrieves a message from the calling thread's message queue. The function dispatches incoming sent messages until a posted message is available for retrieval.

[GetMonitorInfoA](#)

The GetMonitorInfo function retrieves information about a display monitor.

[GetMonitorInfoW](#)

The GetMonitorInfo function retrieves information about a display monitor.

[GetMouseMovePointsEx](#)

Retrieves a history of up to 64 previous coordinates of the mouse or pen.

[GetNextDlgGroupItem](#)

Retrieves a handle to the first control in a group of controls that precedes (or follows) the specified control in a dialog box.

[GetNextDlgTabItem](#)

Retrieves a handle to the first control that has the WS_TABSTOP style that precedes (or follows) the specified control.

[GetNextWindow](#)

Retrieves a handle to the next or previous window in the Z-Order. The next window is below the specified window; the previous window is above.

[GetOpenClipboardWindow](#)

Retrieves the handle to the window that currently has the clipboard open.

[GetParent](#)

Retrieves a handle to the specified window's parent or owner.

[GetPhysicalCursorPos](#)

Retrieves the position of the cursor in physical coordinates.

[GetPointerCursorId](#)

Retrieves the cursor identifier associated with the specified pointer.

[GetPointerDevice](#)

Gets information about the pointer device.

[GetPointerDeviceCursors](#)

Gets the cursor IDs that are mapped to the cursors associated with a pointer device.

[GetPointerDeviceProperties](#)

Gets device properties that aren't included in the `POINTER_DEVICE_INFO` structure.

[GetPointerDeviceRects](#)

Gets the x and y range for the pointer device (in himetric) and the x and y range (current resolution) for the display that the pointer device is mapped to.

[GetPointerDevices](#)

Gets information about the pointer devices attached to the system.

[GetPointerFrameInfo](#)

Gets the entire frame of information for the specified pointers associated with the current message.

[GetPointerFrameInfoHistory](#)

Gets the entire frame of information (including coalesced input frames) for the specified pointers associated with the current message.

[GetPointerFramePenInfo](#)

Gets the entire frame of pen-based information for the specified pointers (of type `PT_PEN`) associated with the current message.

[GetPointerFramePenInfoHistory](#)

Gets the entire frame of pen-based information (including coalesced input frames) for the specified pointers (of type `PT_PEN`) associated with the current message.

[GetPointerFrameTouchInfo](#)

Gets the entire frame of touch-based information for the specified pointers (of type `PT_TOUCH`) associated with the current message.

[GetPointerFrameTouchInfoHistory](#)

Gets the entire frame of touch-based information (including coalesced input frames) for the specified pointers (of type `PT_TOUCH`) associated with the current message.

[GetPointerInfo](#)

Gets the information for the specified pointer associated with the current message.

[GetPointerInfoHistory](#)

Gets the information associated with the individual inputs, if any, that were coalesced into the current message for the specified pointer.

[GetPointerInputTransform](#)

Gets one or more transforms for the pointer information coordinates associated with the current message.

[GetPointerPenInfo](#)

Gets the pen-based information for the specified pointer (of type PT_PEN) associated with the current message.

[GetPointerPenInfoHistory](#)

Gets the pen-based information associated with the individual inputs, if any, that were coalesced into the current message for the specified pointer (of type PT_PEN).

[GetPointerTouchInfo](#)

Gets the touch-based information for the specified pointer (of type PT_TOUCH) associated with the current message.

[GetPointerTouchInfoHistory](#)

Gets the touch-based information associated with the individual inputs, if any, that were coalesced into the current message for the specified pointer (of type PT_TOUCH).

[GetPointerType](#)

Retrieves the pointer type for a specified pointer.

[GetPriorityClipboardFormat](#)

Retrieves the first available clipboard format in the specified list.

[GetProcessDefaultLayout](#)

Retrieves the default layout that is used when windows are created with no parent or owner.

[GetProcessWindowStation](#)

Retrieves a handle to the current window station for the calling process.

[GetPropA](#)

Retrieves a data handle from the property list of the specified window. The character string identifies the handle to be retrieved. The string and handle must have been added to the property list by a previous call to the SetProp function.

[GetPropW](#)

Retrieves a data handle from the property list of the specified window. The character string identifies the handle to be retrieved. The string and handle must have been added to the property list by a previous call to the SetProp function.

[GetQueueStatus](#)

Retrieves the type of messages found in the calling thread's message queue.

[GetRawInputBuffer](#)

Performs a buffered read of the raw input data.

[GetRawInputData](#)

Retrieves the raw input from the specified device.

[GetRawInputDeviceInfoA](#)

Retrieves information about the raw input device.

[GetRawInputDeviceInfoW](#)

Retrieves information about the raw input device.

[GetRawInputDeviceList](#)

Enumerates the raw input devices attached to the system.

[GetRawPointerDeviceData](#)

Gets the raw input data from the pointer device.

[GetRegisteredRawInputDevices](#)

Retrieves the information about the raw input devices for the current application.

[GetScrollBarInfo](#)

The GetScrollBarInfo function retrieves information about the specified scroll bar.

[GetScrollInfo](#)

The GetScrollInfo function retrieves the parameters of a scroll bar, including the minimum and maximum scrolling positions, the page size, and the position of the scroll box (thumb).

[GetScrollPos](#)

The GetScrollPos function retrieves the current position of the scroll box (thumb) in the specified scroll bar.

[GetScrollRange](#)

The GetScrollRange function retrieves the current minimum and maximum scroll box (thumb) positions for the specified scroll bar.

[GetShellWindow](#)

Retrieves a handle to the Shell's desktop window.

[GetSubMenu](#)

Retrieves a handle to the drop-down menu or submenu activated by the specified menu item.

[GetSysColor](#)

Retrieves the current color of the specified display element.

[GetSysColorBrush](#)

The GetSysColorBrush function retrieves a handle identifying a logical brush that corresponds to the specified color index.

[GetSystemDpiForProcess](#)

Retrieves the system DPI associated with a given process. This is useful for avoiding compatibility issues that arise from sharing DPI-sensitive information between multiple system-aware processes with different system DPI values.

[GetSystemMenu](#)

Enables the application to access the window menu (also known as the system menu or the control menu) for copying and modifying.

[GetSystemMetrics](#)

Retrieves the specified system metric or system configuration setting.

[GetSystemMetricsForDpi](#)

Retrieves the specified system metric or system configuration setting taking into account a provided DPI.

[GetTabbedTextExtentA](#)

The GetTabbedTextExtent function computes the width and height of a character string.

[GetTabbedTextExtentW](#)

The GetTabbedTextExtent function computes the width and height of a character string.

[GetThreadDesktop](#)

Retrieves a handle to the desktop assigned to the specified thread.

[GetThreadDpiAwarenessContext](#)

Gets the DPI_AWARENESS_CONTEXT for the current thread.

[GetThreadDpiHostingBehavior](#)

Retrieves the DPI_HOSTING_BEHAVIOR from the current thread.

[GetTitleBarInfo](#)

Retrieves information about the specified title bar.

[GetTopWindow](#)

Examines the Z order of the child windows associated with the specified parent window and retrieves a handle to the child window at the top of the Z order.

[GetTouchInputInfo](#)

Retrieves detailed information about touch inputs associated with a particular touch input handle.

[GetUnpredictedMessagePos](#)

Gets pointer data before it has gone through touch prediction processing.

[GetUpdatedClipboardFormats](#)

Retrieves the currently supported clipboard formats.

[GetUpdateRect](#)

The GetUpdateRect function retrieves the coordinates of the smallest rectangle that completely encloses the update region of the specified window.

[GetUpdateRgn](#)

The GetUpdateRgn function retrieves the update region of a window by copying it into the specified region. The coordinates of the update region are relative to the upper-left corner of the window (that is, they are client coordinates).

[GetUserObjectInformationA](#)

Retrieves information about the specified window station or desktop object.

[GetUserObjectInformationW](#)

Retrieves information about the specified window station or desktop object.

[GetUserObjectSecurity](#)

Retrieves security information for the specified user object.

[GetWindow](#)

Retrieves a handle to a window that has the specified relationship (Z-Order or owner) to the specified window.

[GetWindowContextHelpId](#)

Retrieves the Help context identifier, if any, associated with the specified window.

[GetWindowDC](#)

The GetWindowDC function retrieves the device context (DC) for the entire window, including title bar, menus, and scroll bars.

[GetWindowDisplayAffinity](#)

Retrieves the current display affinity setting, from any process, for a given window.

[GetWindowDpiAwarenessContext](#)

Returns the DPI_AWARENESS_CONTEXT associated with a window.

[GetWindowDpiHostingBehavior](#)

Returns the DPI_HOSTING_BEHAVIOR of the specified window.

[GetWindowFeedbackSetting](#)

Retrieves the feedback configuration for a window.

[GetWindowInfo](#)

Retrieves information about the specified window.

[GetWindowLongA](#)

Retrieves information about the specified window.

[GetWindowLongPtrA](#)

Retrieves information about the specified window. The function also retrieves the value at a specified offset into the extra window memory.

[GetWindowLongPtrW](#)

Retrieves information about the specified window. The function also retrieves the value at a specified offset into the extra window memory.

[GetWindowLongW](#)

Retrieves information about the specified window.

[GetWindowModuleFileNameA](#)

Retrieves the full path and file name of the module associated with the specified window handle.

[GetWindowModuleFileNameW](#)

Retrieves the full path and file name of the module associated with the specified window handle.

[GetWindowPlacement](#)

Retrieves the show state and the restored, minimized, and maximized positions of the specified window.

[GetWindowRect](#)

Retrieves the dimensions of the bounding rectangle of the specified window. The dimensions are given in screen coordinates that are relative to the upper-left corner of the screen.

[GetWindowRgn](#)

The GetWindowRgn function obtains a copy of the window region of a window.

[GetWindowRgnBox](#)

The GetWindowRgnBox function retrieves the dimensions of the tightest bounding rectangle for the window region of a window.

[GetWindowTextA](#)

Copies the text of the specified window's title bar (if it has one) into a buffer. If the specified window is a control, the text of the control is copied. However, GetWindowText cannot retrieve the text of a control in another application.

[GetWindowTextLengthA](#)

Retrieves the length, in characters, of the specified window's title bar text (if the window has a title bar).

[GetWindowTextLengthW](#)

Retrieves the length, in characters, of the specified window's title bar text (if the window has a title bar).

[GetWindowTextW](#)

Copies the text of the specified window's title bar (if it has one) into a buffer. If the specified window is a control, the text of the control is copied. However, `GetWindowText` cannot retrieve the text of a control in another application.

[GetWindowThreadProcessId](#)

Retrieves the identifier of the thread that created the specified window and, optionally, the identifier of the process that created the window.

[GID_ROTATE_ANGLE_FROM_ARGUMENT](#)

The `GID_ROTATE_ANGLE_FROM_ARGUMENT` macro is used to interpret the `GID_ROTATE` `ullArgument` value when receiving the value in the `WM_GESTURE` structure.

[GID_ROTATE_ANGLE_TO_ARGUMENT](#)

Converts a radian value to an argument for rotation gesture messages.

[GrayStringA](#)

The `GrayString` function draws gray text at the specified location.

[GrayStringW](#)

The `GrayString` function draws gray text at the specified location.

[HAS_POINTER_CONFIDENCE_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer message is considered intentional rather than accidental.

[HideCaret](#)

Removes the caret from the screen. Hiding a caret does not destroy its current shape or invalidate the insertion point.

[HiliteMenuItem](#)

Adds or removes highlighting from an item in a menu bar.

[InflateRect](#)

The `InflateRect` function increases or decreases the width and height of the specified rectangle.

[InitializeTouchInjection](#)

Configures the touch injection context for the calling application and initializes the maximum number of simultaneous contacts that the app can inject.

[InjectSyntheticPointerInput](#)

Simulates pointer input (pen or touch).

[InjectTouchInput](#)

Simulates touch input.

[InSendMessage](#)

Determines whether the current window procedure is processing a message that was sent from another thread (in the same process or a different process) by a call to the SendMessage function.

[InSendMessageEx](#)

Determines whether the current window procedure is processing a message that was sent from another thread (in the same process or a different process).

[InsertMenuA](#)

Inserts a new menu item into a menu, moving other items down the menu.

[InsertMenuItemA](#)

Inserts a new menu item at the specified position in a menu.

[InsertMenuItemW](#)

Inserts a new menu item at the specified position in a menu.

[InsertMenuW](#)

Inserts a new menu item into a menu, moving other items down the menu.

[InternalGetWindowText](#)

Copies the text of the specified window's title bar (if it has one) into a buffer.

[IntersectRect](#)

The IntersectRect function calculates the intersection of two source rectangles and places the coordinates of the intersection rectangle into the destination rectangle.

[InvalidateRect](#)

The InvalidateRect function adds a rectangle to the specified window's update region. The update region represents the portion of the window's client area that must be redrawn.

[InvalidateRgn](#)

The InvalidateRgn function invalidates the client area within the specified region by adding it to the current update region of a window.

[InvertRect](#)

The InvertRect function inverts a rectangle in a window by performing a logical NOT operation on the color values for each pixel in the rectangle's interior.

[IS_INTRESOURCE](#)

Determines whether a value is an integer identifier for a resource.

[IS_POINTER_CANCELED_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer input ended abruptly, or was invalid, indicating the interaction was not completed.

[IS_POINTER_FIFTHBUTTON_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer took fifth action.

[IS_POINTER_FIRSTBUTTON_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer took first action.

[IS_POINTER_FLAG_SET_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether a pointer macro sets the specified flag.

[IS_POINTER_FOURTHBUTTON_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer took fourth action.

[IS_POINTER_INCONTACT_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer is in contact.

[IS_POINTER_INRANGE_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer is in range.

[IS_POINTER_NEW_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer is a new pointer.

[IS_POINTER_SECONDBUTTON_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer took second action.

[IS_POINTER_THIRDBUTTON_WPARAM](#)

Checks whether the specified pointer took third action.

[IsCharAlphaA](#)

Determines whether a character is an alphabetical character. This determination is based on the semantics of the language selected by the user during setup or through Control Panel.

[IsCharAlphaNumericA](#)

Determines whether a character is either an alphabetical or a numeric character. This determination is based on the semantics of the language selected by the user during setup or through Control Panel.

[IsCharAlphaNumericW](#)

Determines whether a character is either an alphabetical or a numeric character. This determination is based on the semantics of the language selected by the user during setup or through Control Panel.

[IsCharAlphaW](#)

Determines whether a character is an alphabetical character. This determination is based on the semantics of the language selected by the user during setup or through Control Panel.

[IsCharLowerA](#)

Determines whether a character is lowercase. This determination is based on the semantics of the language selected by the user during setup or through Control Panel.

[IsCharLowerW](#)

[IsCharUpperA](#)

Determines whether a character is uppercase. This determination is based on the semantics of the language selected by the user during setup or through Control Panel.

[IsCharUpperW](#)

Determines whether a character is uppercase. This determination is based on the semantics of the language selected by the user during setup or through Control Panel.

[IsChild](#)

Determines whether a window is a child window or descendant window of a specified parent window.

[IsClipboardFormatAvailable](#)

Determines whether the clipboard contains data in the specified format.

[IsDialogMessageA](#)

Determines whether a message is intended for the specified dialog box and, if it is, processes the message.

[IsDialogMessageW](#)

Determines whether a message is intended for the specified dialog box and, if it is, processes the message.

[IsDlgButtonChecked](#)

The IsDlgButtonChecked function determines whether a button control is checked or whether a three-state button control is checked, unchecked, or indeterminate.

[IsGuiThread](#)

Determines whether the calling thread is already a GUI thread. It can also optionally convert the thread to a GUI thread.

[IsHungAppWindow](#)

Determines whether the system considers that a specified application is not responding.

[IsIconic](#)

Determines whether the specified window is minimized (iconic).

[IsImmersiveProcess](#)

Determines whether the process belongs to a Windows Store app.

[IsMenu](#)

Determines whether a handle is a menu handle.

[IsMouseInPointerEnabled](#)

Indicates whether EnableMouseInPointer is set for the mouse to act as a pointer input device and send WM_POINTER messages.

[IsProcessDPIAware](#)

IsProcessDPIAware may be altered or unavailable. Instead, use GetProcessDPIAwareness.

[IsRectEmpty](#)

The IsRectEmpty function determines whether the specified rectangle is empty.

[IsTouchWindow](#)

Checks whether a specified window is touch-capable and, optionally, retrieves the modifier flags set for the window's touch capability.

[IsValidDpiAwarenessContext](#)

Determines if a specified DPI_AWARENESS_CONTEXT is valid and supported by the current system.

[IsWindow](#)

Determines whether the specified window handle identifies an existing window.

[IsWindowEnabled](#)

Determines whether the specified window is enabled for mouse and keyboard input.

[IsWindowUnicode](#)

Determines whether the specified window is a native Unicode window.

[IsWindowVisible](#)

Determines the visibility state of the specified window.

[IsWinEventHookInstalled](#)

Determines whether there is an installed WinEvent hook that might be notified of a specified event.

[IsWow64Message](#)

Determines whether the last message read from the current thread's queue originated from a WOW64 process.

[IsZoomed](#)

Determines whether a window is maximized.

[keybd_event](#)

Synthesizes a keystroke.

[KillTimer](#)

Destroys the specified timer.

[LoadAcceleratorsA](#)

Loads the specified accelerator table.

[LoadAcceleratorsW](#)

Loads the specified accelerator table.

[LoadBitmapA](#)

The LoadBitmap function loads the specified bitmap resource from a module's executable file.

[LoadBitmapW](#)

The LoadBitmap function loads the specified bitmap resource from a module's executable file.

[LoadCursorA](#)

Loads the specified cursor resource from the executable (.EXE) file associated with an application instance.

[LoadCursorFromFileA](#)

Creates a cursor based on data contained in a file.

[LoadCursorFromFileW](#)

Creates a cursor based on data contained in a file.

[LoadCursorW](#)

Loads the specified cursor resource from the executable (.EXE) file associated with an application instance.

[LoadIconA](#)

Loads the specified icon resource from the executable (.exe) file associated with an application instance.

[LoadIconW](#)

Loads the specified icon resource from the executable (.exe) file associated with an application instance.

[LoadImageA](#)

Loads an icon, cursor, animated cursor, or bitmap.

[LoadImageW](#)

Loads an icon, cursor, animated cursor, or bitmap.

[LoadKeyboardLayoutA](#)

Loads a new input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) into the system.

[LoadKeyboardLayoutW](#)

Loads a new input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) into the system.

[LoadMenuA](#)

Loads the specified menu resource from the executable (.exe) file associated with an application instance.

[LoadMenuIndirectA](#)

Loads the specified menu template in memory.

[LoadMenuIndirectW](#)

Loads the specified menu template in memory.

[LoadMenuW](#)

Loads the specified menu resource from the executable (.exe) file associated with an application instance.

[LoadStringA](#)

Loads a string resource from the executable file associated with a specified module, copies the string into a buffer, and appends a terminating null character.

[LoadStringW](#)

Loads a string resource from the executable file associated with a specified module, copies the string into a buffer, and appends a terminating null character.

[LockSetForegroundWindow](#)

The foreground process can call the LockSetForegroundWindow function to disable calls to the SetForegroundWindow function.

[LockWindowUpdate](#)

The LockWindowUpdate function disables or enables drawing in the specified window. Only one window can be locked at a time.

[LockWorkStation](#)

Locks the workstation's display.

[LogicalToPhysicalPoint](#)

Converts the logical coordinates of a point in a window to physical coordinates.

[LogicalToPhysicalPointForPerMonitorDPI](#)

Converts a point in a window from logical coordinates into physical coordinates, regardless of the dots per inch (dpi) awareness of the caller.

[LookupIconIdFromDirectory](#)

Searches through icon or cursor data for the icon or cursor that best fits the current display device.

[LookupIconIdFromDirectoryEx](#)

Searches through icon or cursor data for the icon or cursor that best fits the current display device.

[MAKEINTRESOURCEA](#)

Converts an integer value to a resource type compatible with the resource-management functions. This macro is used in place of a string containing the name of the resource.

[MAKEINTRESOURCEW](#)

Converts an integer value to a resource type compatible with the resource-management functions. This macro is used in place of a string containing the name of the resource.

[MAKELPARAM](#)

Creates a value for use as an lParam parameter in a message. The macro concatenates the specified values.

[MAKELRESULT](#)

Creates a value for use as a return value from a window procedure. The macro concatenates the specified values.

[MAKEWPARAM](#)

Creates a value for use as a wParam parameter in a message. The macro concatenates the specified values.

[MapDialogRect](#)

Converts the specified dialog box units to screen units (pixels).

[MapVirtualKeyA](#)

Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code.

MapVirtualKeyExA

Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code. The function translates the codes using the input language and an input locale identifier.

MapVirtualKeyExW

Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code. The function translates the codes using the input language and an input locale identifier.

MapVirtualKeyW

Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code.

MapWindowPoints

The MapWindowPoints function converts (maps) a set of points from a coordinate space relative to one window to a coordinate space relative to another window.

MenuItemFromPoint

Determines which menu item, if any, is at the specified location.

MessageBeep

Plays a waveform sound. The waveform sound for each sound type is identified by an entry in the registry.

MessageBox

Displays a modal dialog box that contains a system icon, a set of buttons, and a brief application-specific message, such as status or error information. The message box returns an integer value that indicates which button the user clicked.

MessageBoxA

Displays a modal dialog box that contains a system icon, a set of buttons, and a brief application-specific message, such as status or error information. The message box returns an integer value that indicates which button the user clicked.

MessageBoxExA

Creates, displays, and operates a message box.

MessageBoxExW

Creates, displays, and operates a message box.

MessageBoxIndirectA

Creates, displays, and operates a message box. The message box contains application-defined message text and title, any icon, and any combination of predefined push buttons.

MessageBoxIndirectW

Creates, displays, and operates a message box. The message box contains application-defined message text and title, any icon, and any combination of predefined push buttons.

[MessageBoxW](#)

Displays a modal dialog box that contains a system icon, a set of buttons, and a brief application-specific message, such as status or error information. The message box returns an integer value that indicates which button the user clicked.

[ModifyMenuA](#)

Changes an existing menu item.

[ModifyMenuW](#)

Changes an existing menu item.

[MonitorFromPoint](#)

The MonitorFromPoint function retrieves a handle to the display monitor that contains a specified point.

[MonitorFromRect](#)

The MonitorFromRect function retrieves a handle to the display monitor that has the largest area of intersection with a specified rectangle.

[MonitorFromWindow](#)

The MonitorFromWindow function retrieves a handle to the display monitor that has the largest area of intersection with the bounding rectangle of a specified window.

[mouse_event](#)

The mouse_event function synthesizes mouse motion and button clicks.

[MoveWindow](#)

Changes the position and dimensions of the specified window.

[MsgWaitForMultipleObjects](#)

Waits until one or all of the specified objects are in the signaled state or the time-out interval elapses. The objects can include input event objects.

[MsgWaitForMultipleObjectsEx](#)

Waits until one or all of the specified objects are in the signaled state, an I/O completion routine or asynchronous procedure call (APC) is queued to the thread, or the time-out interval elapses. The array of objects can include input event objects.

[NEXTRAWINPUTBLOCK](#)

Retrieves the location of the next structure in an array of RAWINPUT structures.

[NotifyWinEvent](#)

Signals the system that a predefined event occurred. If any client applications have registered a hook function for the event, the system calls the client's hook function.

[OemKeyScan](#)

Maps OEMASCII codes 0 through 0xFF into the OEM scan codes and shift states. The function provides information that allows a program to send OEM text to another program by simulating keyboard input.

[OemToCharA](#)

Translates a string from the OEM-defined character set into either an ANSI or a wide-character string. **Warning** Do not use.

[OemToCharBuffA](#)

Translates a specified number of characters in a string from the OEM-defined character set into either an ANSI or a wide-character string.

[OemToCharBuffW](#)

Translates a specified number of characters in a string from the OEM-defined character set into either an ANSI or a wide-character string.

[OemToCharW](#)

Translates a string from the OEM-defined character set into either an ANSI or a wide-character string. **Warning** Do not use.

[OffsetRect](#)

The OffsetRect function moves the specified rectangle by the specified offsets.

[OpenClipboard](#)

Opens the clipboard for examination and prevents other applications from modifying the clipboard content.

[OpenDesktopA](#)

Opens the specified desktop object.

[OpenDesktopW](#)

Opens the specified desktop object.

[OpenIcon](#)

Restores a minimized (iconic) window to its previous size and position; it then activates the window.

[OpenInputDesktop](#)

Opens the desktop that receives user input.

[OpenWindowStationA](#)

Opens the specified window station.

[OpenWindowStationW](#)

Opens the specified window station.

[PackTouchHitTestingProximityEvaluation](#)

Returns the proximity evaluation score and the adjusted touch-point coordinates as a packed value for the WM_TOUCHHITTESTING callback.

[PaintDesktop](#)

The PaintDesktop function fills the clipping region in the specified device context with the desktop pattern or wallpaper. The function is provided primarily for shell desktops.

[PeekMessageA](#)

Dispatches incoming nonqueued messages, checks the thread message queue for a posted message, and retrieves the message (if any exist).

[PeekMessageW](#)

Dispatches incoming nonqueued messages, checks the thread message queue for a posted message, and retrieves the message (if any exist).

[PhysicalToLogicalPoint](#)

Converts the physical coordinates of a point in a window to logical coordinates.

[PhysicalToLogicalPointForPerMonitorDPI](#)

Converts a point in a window from physical coordinates into logical coordinates, regardless of the dots per inch (dpi) awareness of the caller.

[POINTSTOPOINT](#)

The POINTSTOPOINT macro copies the contents of a POINTS structure into a POINT structure.

[POINTTOPOINTS](#)

The POINTTOPOINTS macro converts a POINT structure to a POINTS structure.

[PostMessageA](#)

Places (posts) a message in the message queue associated with the thread that created the specified window and returns without waiting for the thread to process the message.

[PostMessageW](#)

Places (posts) a message in the message queue associated with the thread that created the specified window and returns without waiting for the thread to process the message.

[PostQuitMessage](#)

Indicates to the system that a thread has made a request to terminate (quit). It is typically used in response to a WM_DESTROY message.

[PostThreadMessageA](#)

Posts a message to the message queue of the specified thread. It returns without waiting for the thread to process the message.

[PostThreadMessageW](#)

Posts a message to the message queue of the specified thread. It returns without waiting for the thread to process the message.

[PrintWindow](#)

The PrintWindow function copies a visual window into the specified device context (DC), typically a printer DC.

[PrivateExtractIconsA](#)

Creates an array of handles to icons that are extracted from a specified file.

[PrivateExtractIconsW](#)

Creates an array of handles to icons that are extracted from a specified file.

[PtInRect](#)

The PtInRect function determines whether the specified point lies within the specified rectangle.

[QueryDisplayConfig](#)

The QueryDisplayConfig function retrieves information about all possible display paths for all display devices, or views, in the current setting.

[RealChildWindowFromPoint](#)

Retrieves a handle to the child window at the specified point. The search is restricted to immediate child windows; grandchildren and deeper descendant windows are not searched.

[RealGetWindowClassA](#)

Retrieves a string that specifies the window type.

[RealGetWindowClassW](#)

Retrieves a string that specifies the window type.

[RedrawWindow](#)

The RedrawWindow function updates the specified rectangle or region in a window's client area.

[RegisterClassA](#)

Registers a window class for subsequent use in calls to the CreateWindow or CreateWindowEx function.

[RegisterClassExA](#)

Registers a window class for subsequent use in calls to the CreateWindow or CreateWindowEx function.

[RegisterClassExW](#)

Registers a window class for subsequent use in calls to the CreateWindow or CreateWindowEx function.

[RegisterClassW](#)

Registers a window class for subsequent use in calls to the `CreateWindow` or `CreateWindowEx` function.

[RegisterClipboardFormatA](#)

Registers a new clipboard format. This format can then be used as a valid clipboard format.

[RegisterClipboardFormatW](#)

Registers a new clipboard format. This format can then be used as a valid clipboard format.

[RegisterDeviceNotificationA](#)

Registers the device or type of device for which a window will receive notifications.

[RegisterDeviceNotificationW](#)

Registers the device or type of device for which a window will receive notifications.

[RegisterForTooltipDismissNotification](#)

Lets apps or UI frameworks register and unregister windows to receive notification to dismiss their tooltip windows.

[RegisterHotKey](#)

Defines a system-wide hot key.

[RegisterPointerDeviceNotifications](#)

Registers a window to process the `WM_POINTERDEVICECHANGE`, `WM_POINTERDEVICEINRANGE`, and `WM_POINTERDEVICEOUTOFRANGE` pointer device notifications.

[RegisterPointerInputTarget](#)

Allows the caller to register a target window to which all pointer input of the specified type is redirected.

[RegisterPointerInputTargetEx](#)

`RegisterPointerInputTargetEx` may be altered or unavailable. Instead, use `RegisterPointerInputTarget`.

[RegisterPowerSettingNotification](#)

Registers the application to receive power setting notifications for the specific power setting event.

[RegisterRawInputDevices](#)

Registers the devices that supply the raw input data.

[RegisterShellHookWindow](#)

Registers a specified Shell window to receive certain messages for events or notifications that are useful to Shell applications.

[RegisterSuspendResumeNotification](#)

Registers to receive notification when the system is suspended or resumed. Similar to `PowerRegisterSuspendResumeNotification`, but operates in user mode and can take a window handle.

[RegisterTouchHitTestingWindow](#)

Registers a window to process the `WM_TOUCHHITTESTING` notification.

[RegisterTouchWindow](#)

Registers a window as being touch-capable.

[RegisterWindowMessageA](#)

Defines a new window message that is guaranteed to be unique throughout the system. The message value can be used when sending or posting messages.

[RegisterWindowMessageW](#)

Defines a new window message that is guaranteed to be unique throughout the system. The message value can be used when sending or posting messages.

[ReleaseCapture](#)

Releases the mouse capture from a window in the current thread and restores normal mouse input processing.

[ReleaseDC](#)

The `ReleaseDC` function releases a device context (DC), freeing it for use by other applications. The effect of the `ReleaseDC` function depends on the type of DC. It frees only common and window DCs. It has no effect on class or private DCs.

[RemoveClipboardFormatListener](#)

Removes the given window from the system-maintained clipboard format listener list.

[RemoveMenu](#)

Deletes a menu item or detaches a submenu from the specified menu.

[RemovePropA](#)

Removes an entry from the property list of the specified window. The specified character string identifies the entry to be removed.

[RemovePropW](#)

Removes an entry from the property list of the specified window. The specified character string identifies the entry to be removed.

[ReplyMessage](#)

Replies to a message sent from another thread by the `SendMessage` function.

[ScreenToClient](#)

The ScreenToClient function converts the screen coordinates of a specified point on the screen to client-area coordinates.

[ScrollDC](#)

The ScrollDC function scrolls a rectangle of bits horizontally and vertically.

[ScrollWindow](#)

The ScrollWindow function scrolls the contents of the specified window's client area.

[ScrollWindowEx](#)

The ScrollWindowEx function scrolls the contents of the specified window's client area.

[SendDlgItemMessageA](#)

Sends a message to the specified control in a dialog box.

[SendDlgItemMessageW](#)

Sends a message to the specified control in a dialog box.

[SendInput](#)

Synthesizes keystrokes, mouse motions, and button clicks.

[SendMessage](#)

Sends the specified message to a window or windows. The SendMessage function calls the window procedure for the specified window and does not return until the window procedure has processed the message.

[SendMessageA](#)

Sends the specified message to a window or windows. The SendMessage function calls the window procedure for the specified window and does not return until the window procedure has processed the message.

[SendMessageCallbackA](#)

Sends the specified message to a window or windows.

[SendMessageCallbackW](#)

Sends the specified message to a window or windows.

[SendMessageTimeoutA](#)

Sends the specified message to one or more windows.

[SendMessageTimeoutW](#)

Sends the specified message to one or more windows.

[SendMessageW](#)

Sends the specified message to a window or windows. The SendMessage function calls the window procedure for the specified window and does not return until the window procedure has processed the message.

[SendNotifyMessageA](#)

Sends the specified message to a window or windows.

[SendNotifyMessageW](#)

Sends the specified message to a window or windows.

[SetActiveWindow](#)

Activates a window. The window must be attached to the calling thread's message queue.

[SetAdditionalForegroundBoostProcesses](#)

SetAdditionalForegroundBoostProcesses is a performance assist API to help applications with a multi-process application model where multiple processes contribute to a foreground experience, either as data or rendering.

[SetCapture](#)

Sets the mouse capture to the specified window belonging to the current thread.

[SetCaretBlinkTime](#)

Sets the caret blink time to the specified number of milliseconds. The blink time is the elapsed time, in milliseconds, required to invert the caret's pixels.

[SetCaretPos](#)

Moves the caret to the specified coordinates. If the window that owns the caret was created with the CS_OWNDC class style, then the specified coordinates are subject to the mapping mode of the device context associated with that window.

[SetClassLongA](#)

Replaces the specified 32-bit (long) value at the specified offset into the extra class memory or the WNDCLASSEX structure for the class to which the specified window belongs.

[SetClassLongPtrA](#)

Replaces the specified value at the specified offset in the extra class memory or the WNDCLASSEX structure for the class to which the specified window belongs.

[SetClassLongPtrW](#)

Replaces the specified value at the specified offset in the extra class memory or the WNDCLASSEX structure for the class to which the specified window belongs.

[SetClassLongW](#)

Replaces the specified 32-bit (long) value at the specified offset into the extra class memory or the WNDCLASSEX structure for the class to which the specified window belongs.

[SetClassWord](#)

Replaces the 16-bit (WORD) value at the specified offset into the extra class memory for the window class to which the specified window belongs.

[SetClipboardData](#)

Places data on the clipboard in a specified clipboard format.

[SetClipboardViewer](#)

Adds the specified window to the chain of clipboard viewers. Clipboard viewer windows receive a WM_DRAWCLIPBOARD message whenever the content of the clipboard changes. This function is used for backward compatibility with earlier versions of Windows.

[SetCoalescableTimer](#)

Creates a timer with the specified time-out value and coalescing tolerance delay.

[SetCursor](#)

Sets the cursor shape.

[SetCursorPos](#)

Moves the cursor to the specified screen coordinates.

[SetDialogControlDpiChangeBehavior](#)

Overrides the default per-monitor DPI scaling behavior of a child window in a dialog.

[SetDialogDpiChangeBehavior](#)

Dialogs in Per-Monitor v2 contexts are automatically DPI scaled. This method lets you customize their DPI change behavior.

[SetDisplayAutoRotationPreferences](#)

Sets the screen auto-rotation preferences for the current process.

[SetDisplayConfig](#)

The SetDisplayConfig function modifies the display topology, source, and target modes by exclusively enabling the specified paths in the current session.

[SetDlgItemInt](#)

Sets the text of a control in a dialog box to the string representation of a specified integer value.

[SetDlgItemTextA](#)

Sets the title or text of a control in a dialog box.

[SetDlgItemTextW](#)

Sets the title or text of a control in a dialog box.

[SetDoubleClickTime](#)

Sets the double-click time for the mouse.

[SetFocus](#)

Sets the keyboard focus to the specified window. The window must be attached to the calling thread's message queue.

[SetForegroundWindow](#)

Brings the thread that created the specified window into the foreground and activates the window.

[SetGestureConfig](#)

Configures the messages that are sent from a window for Windows Touch gestures.

[SetKeyboardState](#)

Copies an array of keyboard key states into the calling thread's keyboard input-state table. This is the same table accessed by the `GetKeyboardState` and `GetKeyState` functions. Changes made to this table do not affect keyboard input to any other thread.

[SetLastErrorEx](#)

Sets the last-error code.

[SetLayeredWindowAttributes](#)

Sets the opacity and transparency color key of a layered window.

[SetMenu](#)

Assigns a new menu to the specified window.

[SetMenuContextHelpId](#)

Associates a Help context identifier with a menu.

[SetMenuDefaultItem](#)

Sets the default menu item for the specified menu.

[SetMenuInfo](#)

Sets information for a specified menu.

[SetMenuItemBitmaps](#)

Associates the specified bitmap with a menu item. Whether the menu item is selected or clear, the system displays the appropriate bitmap next to the menu item.

[SetMenuItemInfoA](#)

Changes information about a menu item.

[SetMenuItemInfoW](#)

Changes information about a menu item.

[SetMessageExtraInfo](#)

Sets the extra message information for the current thread.

[SetParent](#)

Changes the parent window of the specified child window.

[SetPhysicalCursorPos](#)

Sets the position of the cursor in physical coordinates.

[SetProcessDefaultLayout](#)

Changes the default layout when windows are created with no parent or owner only for the currently running process.

[SetProcessDPIAware](#)

SetProcessDPIAware may be altered or unavailable. Instead, use SetProcessDPIAwareness.

[SetProcessDpiAwarenessContext](#)

Sets the current process to a specified dots per inch (dpi) awareness context. The DPI awareness contexts are from the DPI_AWARENESS_CONTEXT value.

[SetProcessRestrictionExemption](#)

Exempts the calling process from restrictions preventing desktop processes from interacting with the Windows Store app environment. This function is used by development and debugging tools.

[SetProcessWindowStation](#)

Assigns the specified window station to the calling process.

[SetPropA](#)

Adds a new entry or changes an existing entry in the property list of the specified window.

[SetPropW](#)

Adds a new entry or changes an existing entry in the property list of the specified window.

[SetRect](#)

The SetRect function sets the coordinates of the specified rectangle. This is equivalent to assigning the left, top, right, and bottom arguments to the appropriate members of the RECT structure.

[SetRectEmpty](#)

The SetRectEmpty function creates an empty rectangle in which all coordinates are set to zero.

[SetScrollInfo](#)

The SetScrollInfo function sets the parameters of a scroll bar, including the minimum and maximum scrolling positions, the page size, and the position of the scroll box (thumb). The function also redraws the scroll bar, if requested.

[SetScrollPos](#)

The SetScrollPos function sets the position of the scroll box (thumb) in the specified scroll bar and, if requested, redraws the scroll bar to reflect the new position of the scroll box.

[SetScrollRange](#)

The SetScrollRange function sets the minimum and maximum scroll box positions for the specified scroll bar.

[SetSysColors](#)

Sets the colors for the specified display elements.

[SetSystemCursor](#)

Enables an application to customize the system cursors. It replaces the contents of the system cursor specified by the id parameter with the contents of the cursor specified by the hcur parameter and then destroys hcur.

[SetThreadCursorCreationScaling](#)

Sets the DPI scale for which the cursors being created on this thread are intended. This value is taken into account when scaling the cursor for the specific monitor on which it is being shown.

[SetThreadDesktop](#)

Assigns the specified desktop to the calling thread. All subsequent operations on the desktop use the access rights granted to the desktop.

[SetThreadDpiAwarenessContext](#)

Set the DPI awareness for the current thread to the provided value.

[SetThreadDpiHostingBehavior](#)

Sets the thread's DPI_HOSTING_BEHAVIOR. This behavior allows windows created in the thread to host child windows with a different DPI_AWARENESS_CONTEXT.

[SetTimer](#)

Creates a timer with the specified time-out value.

[SetUserObjectInformationA](#)

Sets information about the specified window station or desktop object.

[SetUserObjectInformationW](#)

Sets information about the specified window station or desktop object.

[SetUserObjectSecurity](#)

Sets the security of a user object. This can be, for example, a window or a DDE conversation.

[SetWindowContextHelpId](#)

Associates a Help context identifier with the specified window.

[SetWindowDisplayAffinity](#)

Stores the display affinity setting in kernel mode on the hWnd associated with the window.

[SetWindowFeedbackSetting](#)

Sets the feedback configuration for a window.

[SetWindowLongA](#)

Changes an attribute of the specified window. The function also sets the 32-bit (long) value at the specified offset into the extra window memory.

[SetWindowLongPtrA](#)

Changes an attribute of the specified window.

[SetWindowLongPtrW](#)

Changes an attribute of the specified window.

[SetWindowLongW](#)

Changes an attribute of the specified window. The function also sets the 32-bit (long) value at the specified offset into the extra window memory.

[SetWindowPlacement](#)

Sets the show state and the restored, minimized, and maximized positions of the specified window.

[SetWindowPos](#)

Changes the size, position, and Z order of a child, pop-up, or top-level window. These windows are ordered according to their appearance on the screen. The topmost window receives the highest rank and is the first window in the Z order.

[SetWindowRgn](#)

The SetWindowRgn function sets the window region of a window.

[SetWindowsHookExA](#)

Installs an application-defined hook procedure into a hook chain.

[SetWindowsHookExW](#)

Installs an application-defined hook procedure into a hook chain.

[SetWindowTextA](#)

Changes the text of the specified window's title bar (if it has one). If the specified window is a control, the text of the control is changed. However, SetWindowText cannot change the text of a control in another application.

[SetWindowTextW](#)

Changes the text of the specified window's title bar (if it has one). If the specified window is a control, the text of the control is changed. However, SetWindowText cannot change the text of a control in another application.

[SetWinEventHook](#)

Sets an event hook function for a range of events.

[ShowCaret](#)

Makes the caret visible on the screen at the caret's current position. When the caret becomes visible, it begins flashing automatically.

[ShowCursor](#)

Displays or hides the cursor.

[ShowOwnedPopups](#)

Shows or hides all pop-up windows owned by the specified window.

[ShowScrollBar](#)

The ShowScrollBar function shows or hides the specified scroll bar.

[ShowWindow](#)

Sets the specified window's show state.

[ShowWindowAsync](#)

Sets the show state of a window without waiting for the operation to complete.

[ShutdownBlockReasonCreate](#)

Indicates that the system cannot be shut down and sets a reason string to be displayed to the user if system shutdown is initiated.

[ShutdownBlockReasonDestroy](#)

Indicates that the system can be shut down and frees the reason string.

[ShutdownBlockReasonQuery](#)

Retrieves the reason string set by the ShutdownBlockReasonCreate function.

[SkipPointerFrameMessages](#)

Determines which pointer input frame generated the most recently retrieved message for the specified pointer and discards any queued (unretrieved) pointer input messages generated from the same pointer input frame.

[SoundSentry](#)

Triggers a visual signal to indicate that a sound is playing.

[SubtractRect](#)

The SubtractRect function determines the coordinates of a rectangle formed by subtracting one rectangle from another.

[SwapMouseButton](#)

Reverses or restores the meaning of the left and right mouse buttons.

[SwitchDesktop](#)

Makes the specified desktop visible and activates it. This enables the desktop to receive input from the user.

[SwitchToThisWindow](#)

Switches focus to the specified window and brings it to the foreground.

[SystemParametersInfoA](#)

Retrieves or sets the value of one of the system-wide parameters.

[SystemParametersInfoForDpi](#)

Retrieves the value of one of the system-wide parameters, taking into account the provided DPI value.

[SystemParametersInfoW](#)

Retrieves or sets the value of one of the system-wide parameters.

[TabbedTextOutA](#)

The TabbedTextOut function writes a character string at a specified location, expanding tabs to the values specified in an array of tab-stop positions. Text is written in the currently selected font, background color, and text color.

[TabbedTextOutW](#)

The TabbedTextOut function writes a character string at a specified location, expanding tabs to the values specified in an array of tab-stop positions. Text is written in the currently selected font, background color, and text color.

[TileWindows](#)

Tiles the specified child windows of the specified parent window.

[ToAscii](#)

Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding character or characters.

[ToAsciiEx](#)

Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding character or characters. The function translates the code using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the input locale identifier.

[TOUCH_COORD_TO_PIXEL](#)

Converts touch coordinates to pixels.

[ToUnicode](#)

Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding Unicode character or characters.

[ToUnicodeEx](#)

Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding Unicode character or characters.

[TrackMouseEvent](#)

Posts messages when the mouse pointer leaves a window or hovers over a window for a specified amount of time.

[TrackPopupMenu](#)

Displays a shortcut menu at the specified location and tracks the selection of items on the menu. The shortcut menu can appear anywhere on the screen.

[TrackPopupMenuEx](#)

Displays a shortcut menu at the specified location and tracks the selection of items on the shortcut menu. The shortcut menu can appear anywhere on the screen.

[TranslateAcceleratorA](#)

Processes accelerator keys for menu commands.

[TranslateAcceleratorW](#)

Processes accelerator keys for menu commands.

[TranslateMDISysAccel](#)

Processes accelerator keystrokes for window menu commands of the multiple-document interface (MDI) child windows associated with the specified MDI client window.

[TranslateMessage](#)

Translates virtual-key messages into character messages. The character messages are posted to the calling thread's message queue, to be read the next time the thread calls the GetMessage or PeekMessage function.

[UnhookWindowsHookEx](#)

Removes a hook procedure installed in a hook chain by the SetWindowsHookEx function.

[UnhookWinEvent](#)

Removes an event hook function created by a previous call to SetWinEventHook.

[UnionRect](#)

The UnionRect function creates the union of two rectangles. The union is the smallest rectangle that contains both source rectangles.

[UnloadKeyboardLayout](#)

Unloads an input locale identifier (formerly called a keyboard layout).

[UnregisterClassA](#)

Unregisters a window class, freeing the memory required for the class.

[UnregisterClassW](#)

Unregisters a window class, freeing the memory required for the class.

[UnregisterDeviceNotification](#)

Closes the specified device notification handle.

[UnregisterHotKey](#)

Frees a hot key previously registered by the calling thread.

[UnregisterPointerInputTarget](#)

Allows the caller to unregister a target window to which all pointer input of the specified type is redirected.

[UnregisterPointerInputTargetEx](#)

UnregisterPointerInputTargetEx may be altered or unavailable. Instead, use UnregisterPointerInputTarget.

[UnregisterPowerSettingNotification](#)

Unregisters the power setting notification.

[UnregisterSuspendResumeNotification](#)

Cancels a registration to receive notification when the system is suspended or resumed. Similar to PowerUnregisterSuspendResumeNotification but operates in user mode.

[UnregisterTouchWindow](#)

Registers a window as no longer being touch-capable.

[UpdateLayeredWindow](#)

Updates the position, size, shape, content, and translucency of a layered window.

[UpdateWindow](#)

The UpdateWindow function updates the client area of the specified window by sending a WM_PAINT message to the window if the window's update region is not empty.

[UserHandleGrantAccess](#)

Grants or denies access to a handle to a User object to a job that has a user-interface restriction.

[ValidateRect](#)

The `ValidateRect` function validates the client area within a rectangle by removing the rectangle from the update region of the specified window.

[ValidateRgn](#)

The `ValidateRgn` function validates the client area within a region by removing the region from the current update region of the specified window.

[VkKeyScanA](#)

Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state for the current keyboard.

[VkKeyScanExA](#)

Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state. The function translates the character using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the input locale identifier.

[VkKeyScanExW](#)

Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state. The function translates the character using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the input locale identifier.

[VkKeyScanW](#)

Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state for the current keyboard.

[WaitForInputIdle](#)

Waits until the specified process has finished processing its initial input and is waiting for user input with no input pending, or until the time-out interval has elapsed.

[WaitMessage](#)

Yields control to other threads when a thread has no other messages in its message queue. The `WaitMessage` function suspends the thread and does not return until a new message is placed in the thread's message queue.

[WindowFromDC](#)

The `WindowFromDC` function returns a handle to the window associated with the specified display device context (DC). Output functions that use the specified device context draw into this window.

[WindowFromPhysicalPoint](#)

Retrieves a handle to the window that contains the specified physical point.

[WindowFromPoint](#)

Retrieves a handle to the window that contains the specified point.

[WinHelpA](#)

Launches Windows Help (`Winhelp.exe`) and passes additional data that indicates the nature of the help requested by the application.

WinHelpW

Launches Windows Help (Winhelp.exe) and passes additional data that indicates the nature of the help requested by the application.

wsprintfA

Writes formatted data to the specified buffer.

wsprintfW

Writes formatted data to the specified buffer.

wvsprintfA

Writes formatted data to the specified buffer using a pointer to a list of arguments.

wvsprintfW

Writes formatted data to the specified buffer using a pointer to a list of arguments.

Callback functions

DLGPROC

Application-defined callback function used with the CreateDialog and DialogBox families of functions.

DRAWSTATEPROC

The DrawStateProc function is an application-defined callback function that renders a complex image for the DrawState function.

EDITWORDBREAKPROCA

An application-defined callback function used with the EM_SETWORDBREAKPROC message.

EDITWORDBREAKPROCW

An application-defined callback function used with the EM_SETWORDBREAKPROC message.

GRAYSTRINGPROC

The OutputProc function is an application-defined callback function used with the GrayString function.

HOOKPROC

An application-defined or library-defined callback function used with the SetWindowsHookEx function. The system calls this function after the SendMessage function is called. The hook procedure can examine the message; it cannot modify it.

MONITORENUMPROC

A MonitorEnumProc function is an application-defined callback function that is called by the EnumDisplayMonitors function.

MSGBOXCALLBACK

A callback function, which you define in your application, that processes help events for the message box.

PROPENUMPROCA

An application-defined callback function used with the EnumProps function.

PROPENUMPROCEXA

Application-defined callback function used with the EnumPropsEx function.

PROPENUMPROCEXW

Application-defined callback function used with the EnumPropsEx function.

PROPENUMPROCW

An application-defined callback function used with the EnumProps function.

SENDASYNCPROC

An application-defined callback function used with the SendMessageCallback function.

TIMERPROC

An application-defined callback function that processes WM_TIMER messages. The TIMERPROC type defines a pointer to this callback function. TimerProc is a placeholder for the application-defined function name.

WINEVENTPROC

An application-defined callback (or hook) function that the system calls in response to events generated by an accessible object.

WNDPROC

A callback function, which you define in your application, that processes messages sent to a window.

Structures

ACCEL

Defines an accelerator key used in an accelerator table.

ACCESSTIMEOUT

Contains information about the time-out period associated with the accessibility features.

ALTTABINFO

Contains status information for the application-switching (ALT+TAB) window.

ANIMATIONINFO

Describes the animation effects associated with user actions.

AUDIODESCRIPTION

Contains information associated with audio descriptions. This structure is used with the SystemParametersInfo function when the SPI_GETAUDIODESCRIPTION or SPI_SETAUDIODESCRIPTION action value is specified.

BSMINFO

Contains information about a window that denied a request from BroadcastSystemMessageEx.

CBT_CREATEWDA

Contains information passed to a WH_CBT hook procedure, CBTProc, before a window is created.

CBT_CREATEWNDW

Contains information passed to a WH_CBT hook procedure, CBTProc, before a window is created.

CBTACTIVATESTRUCT

Contains information passed to a WH_CBT hook procedure, CBTProc, before a window is activated.

CHANGEFILTERSTRUCT

Contains extended result information obtained by calling the ChangeWindowMessageFilterEx function.

CLIENTCREATESTRUCT

Contains information about the menu and first multiple-document interface (MDI) child window of an MDI client window.

COMBOBOXINFO

Contains combo box status information.

COMPAREITEMSTRUCT

Supplies the identifiers and application-supplied data for two items in a sorted, owner-drawn list box or combo box.

COPYDATASTRUCT

Contains data to be passed to another application by the WM_COPYDATA message.

CREATESTRUCTA

Defines the initialization parameters passed to the window procedure of an application. These members are identical to the parameters of the CreateWindowEx function.

CREATESTRUCTW

Defines the initialization parameters passed to the window procedure of an application. These members are identical to the parameters of the CreateWindowEx function.

CURSORINFO

Contains global cursor information.

CURSORSHAPE

Contains information about a cursor.

CWPRETSTRUCT

Defines the message parameters passed to a WH_CALLWNDPROCRET hook procedure, CallWndRetProc.

CWPSTRUCT

Defines the message parameters passed to a WH_CALLWNDPROC hook procedure, CallWndProc.

DEBUGHOOKINFO

Contains debugging information passed to a WH_DEBUG hook procedure, DebugProc.

DELETEITEMSTRUCT

Describes a deleted list box or combo box item.

DLGITEMTEMPLATE

Defines the dimensions and style of a control in a dialog box. One or more of these structures are combined with a DLGTEMPLATE structure to form a standard template for a dialog box.

DLGTEMPLATE

Defines the dimensions and style of a dialog box.

DRAWITEMSTRUCT

Provides information that the owner window uses to determine how to paint an owner-drawn control or menu item.

DRAWTEXTPARAMS

The DRAWTEXTPARAMS structure contains extended formatting options for the DrawTextEx function.

EVENTMSG

Contains information about a hardware message sent to the system message queue. This structure is used to store message information for the JournalPlaybackProc callback function.

FILTERKEYS

Contains information about the FilterKeys accessibility feature, which enables a user with disabilities to set the keyboard repeat rate (RepeatKeys), acceptance delay (SlowKeys), and bounce rate (BounceKeys).

FLASHWINFO

Contains the flash status for a window and the number of times the system should flash the window.

GESTURECONFIG

Gets and sets the configuration for enabling gesture messages and the type of this configuration.

GESTUREINFO

Stores information about a gesture.

GESTURENOTIFYSTRUCT

When transmitted with WM_GESTURENOTIFY messages, passes information about a gesture.

GUITHREADINFO

Contains information about a GUI thread.

HARDWAREINPUT

Contains information about a simulated message generated by an input device other than a keyboard or mouse.

HELPINFO

Contains information about an item for which context-sensitive help has been requested.

HELPWININFOA

Contains the size and position of either a primary or secondary Help window. An application can set this information by calling the WinHelp function with the HELP_SETWINPOS value.

HELPWININFOW

Contains the size and position of either a primary or secondary Help window. An application can set this information by calling the WinHelp function with the HELP_SETWINPOS value.

HIGHCONTRASTA

Contains information about the high contrast accessibility feature.

HIGHCONTRASTW

Contains information about the high contrast accessibility feature.

ICONINFO

Contains information about an icon or a cursor.

ICONINFOEXA

Contains information about an icon or a cursor. Extends ICONINFO. Used by GetIconInfoEx.

ICONINFOEXW

Contains information about an icon or a cursor. Extends ICONINFO. Used by GetIconInfoEx.

ICONMETRICSA

Contains the scalable metrics associated with icons. This structure is used with the SystemParametersInfo function when the SPI_GETICONMETRICS or SPI_SETICONMETRICS action is specified.

ICONMETRICSW

Contains the scalable metrics associated with icons. This structure is used with the SystemParametersInfo function when the SPI_GETICONMETRICS or SPI_SETICONMETRICS action is specified.

INPUT

Used by SendInput to store information for synthesizing input events such as keystrokes, mouse movement, and mouse clicks.

INPUT_INJECTION_VALUE

Contains the input injection details.

INPUT_MESSAGE_SOURCE

Contains information about the source of the input message.

INPUT_TRANSFORM

Defines the matrix that represents a transform on a message consumer.

KBDLLHOOKSTRUCT

Contains information about a low-level keyboard input event.

KEYBDINPUT

Contains information about a simulated keyboard event.

LASTINPUTINFO

Contains the time of the last input.

MDICREATESTRUCTA

Contains information about the class, title, owner, location, and size of a multiple-document interface (MDI) child window.

MDICREATESTRUCTW

Contains information about the class, title, owner, location, and size of a multiple-document interface (MDI) child window.

MDINEXTMENU

Contains information about the menu to be activated.

MEASUREITEMSTRUCT

Informs the system of the dimensions of an owner-drawn control or menu item. This allows the system to process user interaction with the control correctly.

MENUBARINFO

Contains menu bar information.

MENUGETOBJECTINFO

Contains information about the menu that the mouse cursor is on.

MENUINFO

Contains information about a menu.

MENUITEMINFOA

Contains information about a menu item.

MENUITEMINFOW

Contains information about a menu item.

MENUITEMTEMPLATE

Defines a menu item in a menu template.

MENUITEMTEMPLATEHEADER

Defines the header for a menu template. A complete menu template consists of a header and one or more menu item lists.

MINIMIZEDMETRICS

Contains the scalable metrics associated with minimized windows.

MINMAXINFO

Contains information about a window's maximized size and position and its minimum and maximum tracking size.

MONITORINFO

The MONITORINFO structure contains information about a display monitor. The GetMonitorInfo function stores information in a MONITORINFO structure or a MONITORINFOEX structure. The MONITORINFO structure is a subset of the MONITORINFOEX structure.

MONITORINFOEXA

The MONITORINFOEX structure contains information about a display monitor. The GetMonitorInfo function stores information into a MONITORINFOEX structure or a MONITORINFO structure. The MONITORINFOEX structure is a superset of the MONITORINFO structure.

MONITORINFOEXW

The MONITORINFOEX structure contains information about a display monitor. The GetMonitorInfo function stores information into a MONITORINFOEX structure or a MONITORINFO structure. The MONITORINFOEX structure is a superset of the MONITORINFO structure.

MOUSEHOOKSTRUCT

Contains information about a mouse event passed to a WH_MOUSE hook procedure, MouseProc.

MOUSEHOOKSTRUCTEX

Contains information about a mouse event passed to a WH_MOUSE hook procedure, MouseProc. This is an extension of the MOUSEHOOKSTRUCT structure that includes information about wheel movement or the use of the X button.

MOUSEINPUT

Contains information about a simulated mouse event.

MOUSEKEYS

Contains information about the MouseKeys accessibility feature.

MOUSEMOVEPOINT

Contains information about the mouse's location in screen coordinates.

MSG

Contains message information from a thread's message queue.

MSGBOXPARAMSA

Contains information used to display a message box. The MessageBoxIndirect function uses this structure.

MSGBOXPARAMSW

Contains information used to display a message box. The MessageBoxIndirect function uses this structure.

MSLLHOOKSTRUCT

Contains information about a low-level mouse input event.

MULTIKEYHELPA

Specifies a keyword to search for and the keyword table to be searched by Windows Help.

MULTIKEYHELPW

Specifies a keyword to search for and the keyword table to be searched by Windows Help.

NCCALCSIZE_PARAMS

Contains information that an application can use while processing the WM_NCCALCSIZE message to calculate the size, position, and valid contents of the client area of a window.

NMHDR

Contains information about a notification message.

NONCLIENTMETRICSA

Contains the scalable metrics associated with the nonclient area of a nonminimized window.

NONCLIENTMETRICSW

Contains the scalable metrics associated with the nonclient area of a nonminimized window.

PAINTSTRUCT

The PAINTSTRUCT structure contains information for an application. This information can be used to paint the client area of a window owned by that application.

POINTER_DEVICE_CURSOR_INFO

Contains cursor ID mappings for pointer devices.

POINTER_DEVICE_INFO

Contains information about a pointer device. An array of these structures is returned from the GetPointerDevices function. A single structure is returned from a call to the GetPointerDevice function.

POINTER_DEVICE_PROPERTY

Contains pointer-based device properties (Human Interface Device (HID) global items that correspond to HID usages).

POINTER_INFO

Contains basic pointer information common to all pointer types. Applications can retrieve this information using the GetPointerInfo, GetPointerFrameInfo, GetPointerInfoHistory and GetPointerFrameInfoHistory functions.

POINTER_PEN_INFO

Defines basic pen information common to all pointer types.

POINTER_TOUCH_INFO

Defines basic touch information common to all pointer types.

POINTER_TYPE_INFO

Contains information about the pointer input type.

POWERBROADCAST_SETTING

Sent with a power setting event and contains data about the specific change.

RAWHID

Describes the format of the raw input from a Human Interface Device (HID).

RAWINPUT

Contains the raw input from a device.

RAWINPUTDEVICE

Defines information for the raw input devices.

RAWINPUTDEVICELIST

Contains information about a raw input device.

RAWINPUTHEADER

Contains the header information that is part of the raw input data.

RAWKEYBOARD

Contains information about the state of the keyboard.

RAWMOUSE

Contains information about the state of the mouse.

RID_DEVICE_INFO

Defines the raw input data coming from any device.

RID_DEVICE_INFO_HID

Defines the raw input data coming from the specified Human Interface Device (HID).

RID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD

Defines the raw input data coming from the specified keyboard.

RID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE

Defines the raw input data coming from the specified mouse.

SCROLLBARINFO

The SCROLLBARINFO structure contains scroll bar information.

SCROLLINFO

The SCROLLINFO structure contains scroll bar parameters to be set by the SetScrollInfo function (or SBM_SETSCROLLINFO message), or retrieved by the GetScrollInfo function (or SBM_GETSCROLLINFO message).

SERIALKEYSA

Contains information about the SerialKeys accessibility feature, which interprets data from a communication aid attached to a serial port as commands causing the system to simulate keyboard and mouse input.

SERIALKEYSW

Contains information about the SerialKeys accessibility feature, which interprets data from a communication aid attached to a serial port as commands causing the system to simulate keyboard and mouse input.

SOUNDSENTRYA

Contains information about the SoundSentry accessibility feature. When the SoundSentry feature is on, the computer displays a visual indication only when a sound is generated.

SOUNDSENTRYW

Contains information about the SoundSentry accessibility feature. When the SoundSentry feature is on, the computer displays a visual indication only when a sound is generated.

STICKYKEYS

Contains information about the StickyKeys accessibility feature.

STYLESTRUCT

Contains the styles for a window.

TITLEBARINFO

Contains title bar information.

TITLEBARINFOEX

Expands on the information described in the TITLEBARINFO structure by including the coordinates of each element of the title bar.

TOGGLEKEYS

Contains information about the ToggleKeys accessibility feature.

TOUCH_HIT_TESTING_INPUT

Contains information about the touch contact area reported by the touch digitizer.

TOUCH_HIT_TESTING_PROXIMITY_EVALUATION

Contains the hit test score that indicates whether the object is the likely target of the touch contact area, relative to other objects that intersect the touch contact area.

TOUCHINPUT

Encapsulates data for touch input.

TOUCHPREDICTIONPARAMETERS

Contains hardware input details that can be used to predict touch targets and help compensate for hardware latency when processing touch and gesture input that contains distance and velocity data.

TPMPARAMS

Contains extended parameters for the TrackPopupMenuEx function.

TRACKMOUSEEVENT

Used by the TrackMouseEvent function to track when the mouse pointer leaves a window or hovers over a window for a specified amount of time.

UPDATELAYEREDWINDOWINFO

Used by UpdateLayeredWindowIndirect to provide position, size, shape, content, and translucency information for a layered window.

USAGE_PROPERTIES

Contains device properties (Human Interface Device (HID) global items that correspond to HID usages) for any type of HID input device.

USEROBJECTFLAGS

Contains information about a window station or desktop handle.

WINDOWINFO

Contains window information.

WINDOWPLACEMENT

Contains information about the placement of a window on the screen.

WINDOWPOS

Contains information about the size and position of a window.

WNDCLASSA

Contains the window class attributes that are registered by the RegisterClass function.

WNDCLASSEXA

Contains window class information.

WNDCLASSEXW

Contains window class information.

WNDCLASSW

Contains the window class attributes that are registered by the RegisterClass function.

WTSSession_Notification

Provides information about the session change notification. A service receives this structure in its HandlerEx function in response to a session change event.

Enumerations

AR_STATE

Indicates the state of screen auto-rotation for the system. For example, whether auto-rotation is supported, and whether it is enabled by the user.

DIALOG_CONTROL_DPI_CHANGE_BEHAVIORS

Describes per-monitor DPI scaling behavior overrides for child windows within dialogs. The values in this enumeration are bitfields and can be combined.

DIALOG_DPI_CHANGE_BEHAVIORS

In Per Monitor v2 contexts, dialogs will automatically respond to DPI changes by resizing themselves and re-computing the positions of their child windows (here referred to as re-layouting).

FEEDBACK_TYPE

Specifies the visual feedback associated with an event.

INPUT_MESSAGE_DEVICE_TYPE

The type of device that sent the input message.

INPUT_MESSAGE_ORIGIN_ID

The ID of the input message source.

ORIENTATION_PREFERENCE

Indicates the screen orientation preference for a desktop app process.

POINTER_BUTTON_CHANGE_TYPE

Identifies a change in the state of a button associated with a pointer.

POINTER_DEVICE_CURSOR_TYPE

Identifies the pointer device cursor types.

POINTER_DEVICE_TYPE

Identifies the pointer device types.

POINTER_FEEDBACK_MODE

Identifies the visual feedback behaviors available to CreateSyntheticPointerDevice.

tagPOINTER_INPUT_TYPE

Identifies the pointer input types.

TOOLTIP_DISMISS_FLAGS

ActivateKeyboardLayout function (winuser.h)

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Sets the input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout handle) for the calling thread or the current process. The input locale identifier specifies a locale as well as the physical layout of the keyboard.

Syntax

```
HKL ActivateKeyboardLayout(  
    [in] HKL hkl,  
    [in] UINT Flags  
);
```

Parameters

[in] hkl

Type: HKL

Input locale identifier to be activated.

The input locale identifier must have been loaded by a previous call to the [LoadKeyboardLayout](#) function. This parameter must be either the handle to a keyboard layout or one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
HKL_NEXT 1	Selects the next locale identifier in the circular list of loaded locale identifiers maintained by the system.
HKL_PREV 0	Selects the previous locale identifier in the circular list of loaded locale identifiers maintained by the system.

[in] Flags

Type: UINT

Specifies how the input locale identifier is to be activated. This parameter can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
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KLF_REORDER 0x00000008	<p>If this bit is set, the system's circular list of loaded locale identifiers is reordered by moving the locale identifier to the head of the list. If this bit is not set, the list is rotated without a change of order.</p> <p>For example, if a user had an English locale identifier active, as well as having French, German, and Spanish locale identifiers loaded (in that order), then activating the German locale identifier with the KLF_REORDER bit set would produce the following order: German, English, French, Spanish. Activating the German locale identifier without the KLF_REORDER bit set would produce the following order: German, Spanish, English, French.</p> <p>If less than three locale identifiers are loaded, the value of this flag is irrelevant.</p>
KLF_RESET 0x40000000	<p>If set but KLF_SHIFTLOCK is not set, the Caps Lock state is turned off by pressing the Caps Lock key again. If set and KLF_SHIFTLOCK is also set, the Caps Lock state is turned off by pressing either SHIFT key.</p> <p>These two methods are mutually exclusive, and the setting persists as part of the User's profile in the registry.</p>
KLF_SETFORPROCESS 0x00000100	<p>Activates the specified locale identifier for the entire process and sends the WM_INPUTLANGCHANGE message to the current thread's focus or active window.</p>
KLF_SHIFTLOCK 0x00010000	<p>This is used with KLF_RESET. See KLF_RESET for an explanation.</p>
KLF_UNLOADPREVIOUS	<p>This flag is unsupported. Use the UnloadKeyboardLayout function instead.</p>

Return value

Type: HKL

The return value is of type **HKL**. If the function succeeds, the return value is the previous input locale identifier. Otherwise, it is zero.

To get extended error information, use the [GetLastError](#) function.

Remarks

This function only affects the layout for the current process or thread.

This function is not restricted to keyboard layouts. The *hkl* parameter is actually an input locale identifier. This is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input. Several input locale identifiers can be loaded at any one time, but only one is active at a time. Loading multiple input locale identifiers makes it possible to rapidly switch between them.

When multiple IMEs are allowed for each locale, passing an input locale identifier in which the high word (the device handle) is zero activates the first IME in the list belonging to the locale.

The **KLF_RESET** and **KLF_SHIFTLOCK** flags alter the method by which the Caps Lock state is turned off. By default, the Caps Lock state is turned off by hitting the Caps Lock key again. If only **KLF_RESET** is set, the default state is reestablished. If **KLF_RESET** and **KLF_SHIFTLOCK** are set, the Caps Lock state is turned off by pressing either Caps Lock key. This feature is used to conform to local keyboard behavior standards as well as for personal preferences.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetKeyboardLayoutName](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

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[UnloadKeyboardLayout](#)

BlockInput function (winuser.h)

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Blocks keyboard and mouse input events from reaching applications.

Syntax

```
BOOL BlockInput(  
    [in] BOOL fBlockIt  
);
```

Parameters

[in] `fBlockIt`

Type: **BOOL**

The function's purpose. If this parameter is **TRUE**, keyboard and mouse input events are blocked. If this parameter is **FALSE**, keyboard and mouse events are unblocked. Note that only the thread that blocked input can successfully unblock input.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If input is already blocked, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

When input is blocked, real physical input from the mouse or keyboard will not affect the input queue's synchronous key state (reported by [GetKeyState](#) and [GetKeyboardState](#)), nor will it affect the asynchronous key state (reported by [GetAsyncKeyState](#)). However, the thread that is blocking input can affect both of these key states by calling [SendInput](#). No other thread can do this.

The system will unblock input in the following cases:

- The thread that blocked input unexpectedly exits without calling **BlockInput** with *fBlock* set to **FALSE**. In this case, the system cleans up properly and re-enables input.
- The user presses CTRL+ALT+DEL or the system invokes the **Hard System Error** modal message box (for example, when a program faults or a device fails).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]

Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[SendInput](#)

DefRawInputProc function (winuser.h)

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Unlike [DefWindowProcA](#) and [DefWindowProcW](#), this function doesn't do any processing.

DefRawInputProc only checks whether **cbSizeHeader**'s value corresponds to the expected size of [RAWINPUTHEADER](#).

Syntax

```
LRESULT DefRawInputProc(  
    [in] PRAWINPUT *paRawInput,  
    [in] INT         nInput,  
    [in] UINT        cbSizeHeader  
);
```

Parameters

[in] paRawInput

Type: **PRAWINPUT***

Ignored.

[in] nInput

Type: **INT**

Ignored.

[in] cbSizeHeader

Type: **UINT**

The size, in bytes, of the [RAWINPUTHEADER](#) structure.

Return value

Type: **LRESULT**

If successful, the function returns 0. Otherwise it returns -1.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows

Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-rawinput-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

Conceptual

[RAWINPUT](#)

[RAWINPUTHEADER](#)

[Raw Input](#)

DragDetect function (winuser.h)

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Captures the mouse and tracks its movement until the user releases the left button, presses the ESC key, or moves the mouse outside the drag rectangle around the specified point. The width and height of the drag rectangle are specified by the **SM_CXDRAG** and **SM_CYDRAG** values returned by the [GetSystemMetrics](#) function.

Syntax

```
BOOL DragDetect(  
    [in] HWND  hwnd,  
    [in] POINT pt  
);
```

Parameters

[in] hwnd

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the window receiving mouse input.

[in] pt

Type: **POINT**

Initial position of the mouse, in screen coordinates. The function determines the coordinates of the drag rectangle by using this point.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the user moved the mouse outside of the drag rectangle while holding down the left button, the return value is nonzero.

If the user did not move the mouse outside of the drag rectangle while holding down the left button, the return value is zero.

Remarks

The system metrics for the drag rectangle are configurable, allowing for larger or smaller drag rectangles.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]

Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetSystemMetrics](#)

[Mouse Input](#)

[POINT](#)

Reference

EnableWindow function (winuser.h)

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Enables or disables mouse and keyboard input to the specified window or control. When input is disabled, the window does not receive input such as mouse clicks and key presses. When input is enabled, the window receives all input.

Syntax

```
BOOL EnableWindow(  
    [in] HWND hWnd,  
    [in] BOOL bEnable  
);
```

Parameters

[in] hWnd

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the window to be enabled or disabled.

[in] bEnable

Type: **BOOL**

Indicates whether to enable or disable the window. If this parameter is **TRUE**, the window is enabled. If the parameter is **FALSE**, the window is disabled.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the window was previously disabled, the return value is nonzero.

If the window was not previously disabled, the return value is zero.

Remarks

If the window is being disabled, the system sends a **WM_CANCELMODE** message. If the enabled state of a window is changing, the system sends a **WM_ENABLE** message after the **WM_CANCELMODE** message. (These messages are sent before **EnableWindow** returns.) If a window is already disabled, its child windows are implicitly disabled, although they are not sent a **WM_ENABLE** message.

A window must be enabled before it can be activated. For example, if an application is displaying a modeless dialog box and has disabled its main window, the application must enable the main window before destroying the dialog box. Otherwise, another window will receive the keyboard focus and be activated. If a child window is disabled, it is ignored when the system tries to determine which window should receive mouse messages.

By default, a window is enabled when it is created. To create a window that is initially disabled, an application can specify the **WS_DISABLED** style in the **CreateWindow** or **CreateWindowEx** function. After a window has been created, an application can use **EnableWindow** to enable or disable the window.

An application can use this function to enable or disable a control in a dialog box. A disabled control cannot receive the keyboard focus, nor can a user gain access to it.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-window-l1-1-4 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

Conceptual

[CreateWindow](#)

[CreateWindowEx](#)

[IsWindowEnabled](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[WM_ENABLE](#)

GET_APPCOMMAND_LPARAM macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the application command from the specified **LPARAM** value.

Syntax

```
void GET_APPCOMMAND_LPARAM(  
    LPARAM  
);
```

Parameters

LPARAM

The value to be converted.

Return value

None

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

[Mouse Input Overview](#)

GET_DEVICE_LPARAM macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the input device type from the specified **LPARAM** value.

Syntax

```
void GET_DEVICE_LPARAM(  
    LPARAM  
);
```

Parameters

LPARAM

The value to be converted.

Return value

None

Remarks

This macro is identical to the [GET_MOUSEORKEY_LPARAM](#) macro.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GET_MOUSEORKEY_LPARAM](#)

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Reference

GET_FLAGS_LPARAM macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the state of certain virtual keys from the specified **LPARAM** value.

Syntax

```
void GET_FLAGS_LPARAM(  
    LPARAM  
);
```

Parameters

LPARAM

The value to be converted.

Return value

None

Remarks

This macro is identical to the [GET_KEYSTATE_LPARAM](#) macro.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GET_KEYSTATE_LPARAM](#)

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Reference

GET_KEYSTATE_LPARAM macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the state of certain virtual keys from the specified **LPARAM** value.

Syntax

```
void GET_KEYSTATE_LPARAM(  
    LPARAM  
);
```

Parameters

LPARAM

The value to be converted.

Return value

None

Remarks

This macro is identical to the [GET_FLAGS_LPARAM](#) macro.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

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[GET_FLAGS_LPARAM](#)

[Mouse Input](#)

Reference

GET_KEYSTATE_WPARAM macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the state of certain virtual keys from the specified **WPARAM** value.

Syntax

```
void GET_KEYSTATE_WPARAM(  
    wParam  
);
```

Parameters

wParam

The value to be converted.

Return value

None

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

[Mouse Input Overview](#)

GET_NCHITTEST_WPARAM macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the hit-test value from the specified **WPARAM** value.

Syntax

```
void GET_NCHITTEST_WPARAM(  
    wParam  
);
```

Parameters

wParam

The value to be converted.

Return value

None

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

[Mouse Input Overview](#)

GET_RAWINPUT_CODE_WPARAM macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the input code from *wParam* in [WM_INPUT](#) message.

Syntax

```
void GET_RAWINPUT_CODE_WPARAM(  
    wParam  
);
```

Parameters

wParam

wParam from [WM_INPUT](#) message.

Return value

Input code value. Can be one of the following:

VALUE	MEANING
RIM_INPUT 0	Input occurred while the application was in the foreground.
RIM_INPUTSINK 1	Input occurred while the application was not in the foreground.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[RAWINPUT](#)

[Raw Input](#)

Reference

WM_INPUT

GET_WHEEL_DELTA_WPARAM macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the wheel-delta value from the specified **WPARAM** value.

Syntax

```
void GET_WHEEL_DELTA_WPARAM(  
    WPARAM  
);
```

Parameters

WPARAM

The value to be converted.

Return value

None

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

[Mouse Input Overview](#)

GET_XBUTTON_WPARAM macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the state of certain buttons from the specified **WPARAM** value.

Syntax

```
void GET_XBUTTON_WPARAM(  
    WPARAM  
);
```

Parameters

WPARAM

The value to be converted.

Return value

None

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

[Mouse Input Overview](#)

GetActiveWindow function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the window handle to the active window attached to the calling thread's message queue.

Syntax

```
HWND GetActiveWindow();
```

Return value

Type: **HWND**

The return value is the handle to the active window attached to the calling thread's message queue. Otherwise, the return value is **NULL**.

Remarks

To get the handle to the foreground window, you can use [GetForegroundWindow](#).

To get the window handle to the active window in the message queue for another thread, use [GetGuiThreadInfo](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-window-l1-1-4 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

Conceptual

[GetForegroundWindow](#)

[GetGuiThreadInfo](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[SetActiveWindow](#)

GetAsyncKeyState function (winuser.h)

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Determines whether a key is up or down at the time the function is called, and whether the key was pressed after a previous call to **GetAsyncKeyState**.

Syntax

```
SHORT GetAsyncKeyState(  
    [in] int vKey  
);
```

Parameters

[in] vKey

Type: **int**

The virtual-key code. For more information, see [Virtual Key Codes](#).

You can use left- and right-distinguishing constants to specify certain keys. See the Remarks section for further information.

Return value

Type: **SHORT**

If the function succeeds, the return value specifies whether the key was pressed since the last call to **GetAsyncKeyState**, and whether the key is currently up or down. If the most significant bit is set, the key is down, and if the least significant bit is set, the key was pressed after the previous call to **GetAsyncKeyState**. However, you should not rely on this last behavior; for more information, see the Remarks.

The return value is zero for the following cases:

- The current desktop is not the active desktop
- The foreground thread belongs to another process and the desktop does not allow the hook or the journal record.

Remarks

The **GetAsyncKeyState** function works with mouse buttons. However, it checks on the state of the physical mouse buttons, not on the logical mouse buttons that the physical buttons are mapped to. For example, the call **GetAsyncKeyState(VK_LBUTTON)** always returns the state of the left physical mouse button, regardless of whether it is mapped to the left or right logical mouse button. You can determine the system's current mapping of physical mouse buttons to logical mouse buttons by calling `GetSystemMetrics(SM_SWAPBUTTON)`.

which returns TRUE if the mouse buttons have been swapped.

Although the least significant bit of the return value indicates whether the key has been pressed since the last query, due to the preemptive multitasking nature of Windows, another application can call **GetAsyncKeyState** and receive the "recently pressed" bit instead of your application. The behavior of the least significant bit of the return value is retained strictly for compatibility with 16-bit Windows applications (which are non-preemptive)

and should not be relied upon.

You can use the virtual-key code constants **VK_SHIFT**, **VK_CONTROL**, and **VK_MENU** as values for the *vKey* parameter. This gives the state of the SHIFT, CTRL, or ALT keys without distinguishing between left and right.

You can use the following virtual-key code constants as values for *vKey* to distinguish between the left and right instances of those keys.

CODE	MEANING
VK_LSHIFT	Left-shift key.
VK_RSHIFT	Right-shift key.
VK_LCONTROL	Left-control key.
VK_RCONTROL	Right-control key.
VK_LMENU	Left-menu key.
VK_RMENU	Right-menu key.

These left- and right-distinguishing constants are only available when you call the [GetKeyboardState](#), [SetKeyboardState](#), [GetAsyncKeyState](#), [GetKeyState](#), and [MapVirtualKey](#) functions.

Example

```
while (GetMessage(&msg, nullptr, 0, 0))
{
    if (!TranslateAccelerator(msg.hwnd, hAccelTable, &msg))
    {
        TranslateMessage(&msg);
        DispatchMessage(&msg);
    }

    switch (msg.message)
    {
        case WM_KEYDOWN:
            if ((GetAsyncKeyState(VK_ESCAPE) & 0x01) && bRunning)
            {
                Stop();
            }
            break;
    }
}
```

Example from [Windows Classic Samples](#) on GitHub.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]

Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

[GetSystemMetrics](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[MapVirtualKey](#)

Other Resources

Reference

[SetKeyboardState](#)

GetCapture function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves a handle to the window (if any) that has captured the mouse. Only one window at a time can capture the mouse; this window receives mouse input whether or not the cursor is within its borders.

Syntax

```
HWND GetCapture();
```

Return value

Type: **HWND**

The return value is a handle to the capture window associated with the current thread. If no window in the thread has captured the mouse, the return value is **NULL**.

Remarks

A **NULL** return value means the current thread has not captured the mouse. However, it is possible that another thread or process has captured the mouse.

To get a handle to the capture window on another thread, use the [GetGuiThreadInfo](#) function.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-mouse-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 8)

See also

Conceptual

[GetGuiThreadInfo](#)

[Mouse Input](#)

Reference

[ReleaseCapture](#)

[SetCapture](#)

GetDoubleClickTime function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the current double-click time for the mouse. A double-click is a series of two clicks of the mouse button, the second occurring within a specified time after the first. The double-click time is the maximum number of milliseconds that may occur between the first and second click of a double-click. The maximum double-click time is 5000 milliseconds.

Syntax

```
UINT GetDoubleClickTime();
```

Return value

Type: **UINT**

The return value specifies the current double-click time, in milliseconds. The maximum return value is 5000 milliseconds.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-mouse-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 8)

See also

Conceptual

[Mouse Input](#)

Reference

[SetDoubleClickTime](#)

GetFocus function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the handle to the window that has the keyboard focus, if the window is attached to the calling thread's message queue.

Syntax

```
HWND GetFocus();
```

Return value

Type: **HWND**

The return value is the handle to the window with the keyboard focus. If the calling thread's message queue does not have an associated window with the keyboard focus, the return value is **NULL**.

Remarks

GetFocus returns the window with the keyboard focus for the current thread's message queue. If **GetFocus** returns **NULL**, another thread's queue may be attached to a window that has the keyboard focus.

Use the [GetForegroundWindow](#) function to retrieve the handle to the window with which the user is currently working. You can associate your thread's message queue with the windows owned by another thread by using the [AttachThreadInput](#) function.

To get the window with the keyboard focus on the foreground queue or the queue of another thread, use the [GetGuiThreadInfo](#) function.

Examples

For an example, see "Creating a Combo Box Toolbar" in [Using Combo Boxes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-window-l1-1-4 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

[AttachThreadInput](#)

Conceptual

[GetForegroundWindow](#)

[GetGuiThreadInfo](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Other Resources

Reference

[SetFocus](#)

[WM_KILLFOCUS](#)

[WM_SETFOCUS](#)

GetKBCodePage function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the current code page.

Note This function is provided only for compatibility with 16-bit versions of Windows. Applications should use the [GetOEMCP](#) function to retrieve the OEM code-page identifier for the system.

Syntax

```
UINT GetKBCodePage();
```

Return value

Type: **UINT**

The return value is an OEM code-page identifier, or it is the default identifier if the registry value is not readable. For a list of OEM code-page identifiers, see [Code Page Identifiers](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetACP](#)

[GetOEMCP](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

GetKeyboardLayout function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the active input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout).

Syntax

```
HKL GetKeyboardLayout(  
    [in] DWORD idThread  
);
```

Parameters

[in] idThread

Type: **DWORD**

The identifier of the thread to query, or 0 for the current thread.

Return value

Type: **HKL**

The return value is the input locale identifier for the thread. The low word contains a [Language Identifier](#) for the input language and the high word contains a device handle to the physical layout of the keyboard.

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

Since the keyboard layout can be dynamically changed, applications that cache information about the current keyboard layout should process the [WM_INPUTLANGCHANGE](#) message to be informed of changes in the input language.

To get the KLID (keyboard layout ID) of the currently active HKL, call the [GetKeyboardLayoutName](#).

Beginning in Windows 8: The preferred method to retrieve the language associated with the current keyboard layout or input method is a call to [Windows.Globalization.Language.CurrentInputMethodLanguageTag](#). If your app passes language tags from **CurrentInputMethodLanguageTag** to any [National Language Support](#) functions, it must first convert the tags by calling [ResolveLocaleName](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]

Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

[ActivateKeyboardLayout](#)

Conceptual

[CreateThread](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

Other Resources

Reference

[WM_INPUTLANGCHANGE](#)

GetKeyboardLayoutList function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the input locale identifiers (formerly called keyboard layout handles) corresponding to the current set of input locales in the system. The function copies the identifiers to the specified buffer.

Syntax

```
int GetKeyboardLayoutList(  
    [in] int nBuff,  
    [out] HKL *lpList  
);
```

Parameters

[in] nBuff

Type: int

The maximum number of handles that the buffer can hold.

[out] lpList

Type: HKL*

A pointer to the buffer that receives the array of input locale identifiers.

Return value

Type: int

If the function succeeds, the return value is the number of input locale identifiers copied to the buffer or, if *nBuff* is zero, the return value is the size, in array elements, of the buffer needed to receive all current input locale identifiers.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

Beginning in Windows 8: The preferred method to retrieve the language associated with the current keyboard layout or input method is a call to [Windows.Globalization.Language.CurrentInputMethodLanguageTag](#). If your app passes language tags from **CurrentInputMethodLanguageTag** to any [National Language Support](#) functions, it must first convert the tags by calling [ResolveLocaleName](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetKeyboardLayout](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

GetKeyboardLayoutNameA function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the name of the active input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) for the system.

Syntax

```
BOOL GetKeyboardLayoutNameA(  
    [out] LPSTR pwszKLID  
);
```

Parameters

[out] pwszKLID

Type: LPTSTR

The buffer (of at least `KL_NAMELENGTH` characters in length) that receives the name of the input locale identifier, including the terminating null character. This will be a copy of the string provided to the [LoadKeyboardLayout](#) function, unless layout substitution took place.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

Beginning in Windows 8: The preferred method to retrieve the language associated with the current keyboard layout or input method is a call to [Windows.Globalization.Language.CurrentInputMethodLanguageTag](#). If your app passes language tags from `CurrentInputMethodLanguageTag` to any [National Language Support](#) functions, it must first convert the tags by calling [ResolveLocaleName](#).

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines GetKeyboardLayoutName as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the UNICODE preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

[ActivateKeyboardLayout](#)

Conceptual

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

Reference

[UnloadKeyboardLayout](#)

GetKeyboardLayoutNameW function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the name of the active input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) for the system.

Syntax

```
BOOL GetKeyboardLayoutNameW(  
    [out] LPWSTR pwszKLID  
);
```

Parameters

[out] pwszKLID

Type: LPTSTR

The buffer (of at least `KL_NAMELENGTH` characters in length) that receives the name of the input locale identifier, including the terminating null character. This will be a copy of the string provided to the [LoadKeyboardLayout](#) function, unless layout substitution took place.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

Beginning in Windows 8: The preferred method to retrieve the language associated with the current keyboard layout or input method is a call to [Windows.Globalization.Language.CurrentInputMethodLanguageTag](#). If your app passes language tags from [CurrentInputMethodLanguageTag](#) to any [National Language Support](#) functions, it must first convert the tags by calling [ResolveLocaleName](#).

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines GetKeyboardLayoutName as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the UNICODE preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

[ActivateKeyboardLayout](#)

Conceptual

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

Reference

[UnloadKeyboardLayout](#)

GetKeyboardState function (winuser.h)

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Copies the status of the 256 virtual keys to the specified buffer.

Syntax

```
BOOL GetKeyboardState(  
    [out] PBYTE lpKeyState  
);
```

Parameters

[out] lpKeyState

Type: **PBYTE**

The 256-byte array that receives the status data for each virtual key.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

An application can call this function to retrieve the current status of all the virtual keys. The status changes as a thread removes keyboard messages from its message queue. The status does not change as keyboard messages are posted to the thread's message queue, nor does it change as keyboard messages are posted to or retrieved from message queues of other threads. (Exception: Threads that are connected through [AttachThreadInput](#) share the same keyboard state.)

When the function returns, each member of the array pointed to by the *lpKeyState* parameter contains status data for a virtual key. If the high-order bit is 1, the key is down; otherwise, it is up. If the key is a toggle key, for example CAPS LOCK, then the low-order bit is 1 when the key is toggled and is 0 if the key is untoggled. The low-order bit is meaningless for non-toggle keys. A toggle key is said to be toggled when it is turned on. A toggle key's indicator light (if any) on the keyboard will be on when the key is toggled, and off when the key is untoggled.

To retrieve status information for an individual key, use the [GetKeyState](#) function. To retrieve the current state for an individual key regardless of whether the corresponding keyboard message has been retrieved from the message queue, use the [GetAsyncKeyState](#) function.

An application can use the virtual-key code constants **VK_SHIFT**, **VK_CONTROL** and **VK_MENU** as indices into the array pointed to by *lpKeyState*. This gives the status of the SHIFT, CTRL, or ALT keys without distinguishing between left and right. An application can also use the following virtual-key code constants as indices to distinguish between the left and right instances of those keys:

VK_LSHIFT
VK_RSHIFT
VK_LCONTROL
VK_RCONTROL
VK_LMENU
VK_RMENU

These left- and right-distinguishing constants are available to an application only through the `GetKeyboardState`, [SetKeyboardState](#), [GetAsyncKeyState](#), [GetKeyState](#), and [MapVirtualKey](#) functions.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-rawinput-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[MapVirtualKey](#)

Reference

[SetKeyboardState](#)

GetKeyboardType function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves information about the current keyboard.

Syntax

```
int GetKeyboardType(  
    [in] int nTypeFlag  
);
```

Parameters

[in] nTypeFlag

Type: int

The type of keyboard information to be retrieved. This parameter can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
0	Keyboard type
1	Keyboard subtype
2	The number of function keys on the keyboard

Return value

Type: int

If the function succeeds, the return value specifies the requested information.

If the function fails and *nTypeFlag* is not 1, the return value is 0; 0 is a valid return value when *nTypeFlag* is 1 (keyboard subtype). To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

Valid keyboard types are:

VALUE	DESCRIPTION
0x4	Enhanced 101- or 102-key keyboards (and compatibles)
0x7	Japanese Keyboard
0x8	Korean Keyboard
0x51	Unknown type or HID keyboard

Keyboard subtypes are original equipment manufacturer (OEM)-dependent values.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

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GetKeyNameTextA function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves a string that represents the name of a key.

Syntax

```
int GetKeyNameTextA(  
    [in] LONG lParam,  
    [out] LPSTR lpString,  
    [in] int cchSize  
);
```

Parameters

[in] lParam

Type: **LONG**

The second parameter of the keyboard message (such as [WM_KEYDOWN](#)) to be processed. The function interprets the following bit positions in the *lParam*.

BITS	MEANING
16-23	Scan code.
24	Extended-key flag. Distinguishes some keys on an enhanced keyboard.
25	"Do not care" bit. The application calling this function sets this bit to indicate that the function should not distinguish between left and right CTRL and SHIFT keys, for example.

[out] lpString

Type: **LPTSTR**

The buffer that will receive the key name.

[in] cchSize

Type: **int**

The maximum length, in characters, of the key name, including the terminating null character. (This parameter should be equal to the size of the buffer pointed to by the *lpString* parameter.)

Return value

Type: **int**

If the function succeeds, a null-terminated string is copied into the specified buffer, and the return value is the length of the string, in characters, not counting the terminating null character.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The format of the key-name string depends on the current keyboard layout. The keyboard driver maintains a list of names in the form of character strings for keys with names longer than a single character. The key name is translated according to the layout of the currently installed keyboard, thus the function may give different results for different input locales. The name of a character key is the character itself. The names of dead keys are spelled out in full.

NOTE

The `winuser.h` header defines `GetKeyNameText` as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the `UNICODE` preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

[Keyboard Input](#)

GetKeyNameTextW function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves a string that represents the name of a key.

Syntax

```
int GetKeyNameTextW(  
    [in] LONG    lParam,  
    [out] LPWSTR lpString,  
    [in] int     cchSize  
);
```

Parameters

[in] lParam

Type: **LONG**

The second parameter of the keyboard message (such as [WM_KEYDOWN](#)) to be processed. The function interprets the following bit positions in the *lParam*.

BITS	MEANING
16-23	Scan code.
24	Extended-key flag. Distinguishes some keys on an enhanced keyboard.
25	"Do not care" bit. The application calling this function sets this bit to indicate that the function should not distinguish between left and right CTRL and SHIFT keys, for example.

[out] lpString

Type: **LPTSTR**

The buffer that will receive the key name.

[in] cchSize

Type: **int**

The maximum length, in characters, of the key name, including the terminating null character. (This parameter should be equal to the size of the buffer pointed to by the *lpString* parameter.)

Return value

Type: **int**

If the function succeeds, a null-terminated string is copied into the specified buffer, and the return value is the length of the string, in characters, not counting the terminating null character.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The format of the key-name string depends on the current keyboard layout. The keyboard driver maintains a list of names in the form of character strings for keys with names longer than a single character. The key name is translated according to the layout of the currently installed keyboard, thus the function may give different results for different input locales. The name of a character key is the character itself. The names of dead keys are spelled out in full.

NOTE

The `winuser.h` header defines `GetKeyNameText` as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the `UNICODE` preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

[Keyboard Input](#)

GetKeyState function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the status of the specified virtual key. The status specifies whether the key is up, down, or toggled (on, off—alternating each time the key is pressed).

Syntax

```
SHORT GetKeyState(  
    [in] int nVirtKey  
);
```

Parameters

[in] *nVirtKey*

Type: **int**

A virtual key. If the desired virtual key is a letter or digit (A through Z, a through z, or 0 through 9), *nVirtKey* must be set to the ASCII value of that character. For other keys, it must be a virtual-key code.

If a non-English keyboard layout is used, virtual keys with values in the range ASCII A through Z and 0 through 9 are used to specify most of the character keys. For example, for the German keyboard layout, the virtual key of value ASCII O (0x4F) refers to the "o" key, whereas VK_OEM_1 refers to the "o with umlaut" key.

Return value

Type: **SHORT**

The return value specifies the status of the specified virtual key, as follows:

- If the high-order bit is 1, the key is down; otherwise, it is up.
- If the low-order bit is 1, the key is toggled. A key, such as the CAPS LOCK key, is toggled if it is turned on. The key is off and untoggled if the low-order bit is 0. A toggle key's indicator light (if any) on the keyboard will be on when the key is toggled, and off when the key is untoggled.

Remarks

The key status returned from this function changes as a thread reads key messages from its message queue. The status does not reflect the interrupt-level state associated with the hardware. Use the [GetAsyncKeyState](#) function to retrieve that information.

An application calls **GetKeyState** in response to a keyboard-input message. This function retrieves the state of the key when the input message was generated.

To retrieve state information for all the virtual keys, use the [GetKeyboardState](#) function.

An application can use the [virtual key code](#) constants **VK_SHIFT**, **VK_CONTROL**, and **VK_MENU** as values for the *nVirtKey* parameter. This gives the status of the SHIFT, CTRL, or ALT keys without distinguishing between left and right. An application can also use the following virtual-key code constants as values for *nVirtKey* to distinguish between the left and right instances of those keys:

VK_LSHIFT VK_RSHIFT VK_LCONTROL VK_RCONTROL VK_LMENU VK_RMENU These left- and right-distinguishing constants are available to an application only through the [GetKeyboardState](#), [SetKeyboardState](#), [GetAsyncKeyState](#), [GetKeyState](#), and [MapVirtualKey](#) functions.

Examples

For an example, see [Displaying Keyboard Input](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[MapVirtualKey](#)

Reference

[SetKeyboardState](#)

GetLastInputInfo function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the time of the last input event.

Syntax

```
BOOL GetLastInputInfo(  
    [out] PLASTINPUTINFO plii  
);
```

Parameters

[out] plii

Type: **PLASTINPUTINFO**

A pointer to a **LASTINPUTINFO** structure that receives the time of the last input event.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero.

Remarks

This function is useful for input idle detection. However, **GetLastInputInfo** does not provide system-wide user input information across all running sessions. Rather, **GetLastInputInfo** provides session-specific user input information for only the session that invoked the function.

The tick count when the last input event was received (see **LASTINPUTINFO**) is not guaranteed to be incremental. In some cases, the value might be less than the tick count of a prior event. For example, this can be caused by a timing gap between the raw input thread and the desktop thread or an event raised by **SendInput**, which supplies its own tick count.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LASTINPUTINFO](#)

Reference

GetMouseMovePointsEx function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves a history of up to 64 previous coordinates of the mouse or pen.

Syntax

```
int GetMouseMovePointsEx(  
    [in]  UINT          cbSize,  
    [in]  LPMOUSEMOVEPOINT lppt,  
    [out] LPMOUSEMOVEPOINT lpptBuf,  
    [in]  int           nBufPoints,  
    [in]  DWORD         resolution  
);
```

Parameters

[in] `cbSize`

Type: **UINT**

The size, in bytes, of the [MOUSEMOVEPOINT](#) structure.

[in] `lppt`

Type: **LPMOUSEMOVEPOINT**

A pointer to a [MOUSEMOVEPOINT](#) structure containing valid mouse coordinates (in screen coordinates). It may also contain a time stamp.

The **GetMouseMovePointsEx** function searches for the point in the mouse coordinates history. If the function finds the point, it returns the last *nBufPoints* prior to and including the supplied point.

If your application supplies a time stamp, the **GetMouseMovePointsEx** function will use it to differentiate between two equal points that were recorded at different times.

An application should call this function using the mouse coordinates received from the [WM_MOUSEMOVE](#) message and convert them to screen coordinates.

[out] `lpptBuf`

Type: **LPMOUSEMOVEPOINT**

A pointer to a buffer that will receive the points. It should be at least *cbSize* nBufPoints* in size.

[in] `nBufPoints`

Type: **int**

The number of points to be retrieved.

[in] `resolution`

Type: **DWORD**

The resolution desired. This parameter can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
GMMP_USE_DISPLAY_POINTS 1	Retrieves the points using the display resolution.
GMMP_USE_HIGH_RESOLUTION_POINTS 2	Retrieves high resolution points. Points can range from zero to 65,535 (0xFFFF) in both x- and y-coordinates. This is the resolution provided by absolute coordinate pointing devices such as drawing tablets.

Return value

Type: int

If the function succeeds, the return value is the number of points in the buffer. Otherwise, the function returns –1. For extended error information, your application can call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The system retains the last 64 mouse coordinates and their time stamps. If your application supplies a mouse coordinate to **GetMouseMovePointsEx** and the coordinate exists in the system's mouse coordinate history, the function retrieves the specified number of coordinates from the systems' history. You can also supply a time stamp, which will be used to differentiate between identical points in the history.

The **GetMouseMovePointsEx** function will return points that eventually were dispatched not only to the calling thread but also to other threads.

GetMouseMovePointsEx may fail or return erroneous values in the following cases:

- If negative coordinates are passed in the [MOUSEMOVEPOINT](#) structure.
- If **GetMouseMovePointsEx** retrieves a coordinate with a negative value.

These situations can occur if multiple monitors are present. To correct this, first call [GetSystemMetrics](#) to get the following values:

- SM_XVIRTUALSCREEN,
- SM_YVIRTUALSCREEN,
- SM_CXVIRTUALSCREEN, and
- SM_CYVIRTUALSCREEN.

Then, for each point that is returned from **GetMouseMovePointsEx**, perform the following transform:

```

int nVirtualWidth = GetSystemMetrics(SM_CXVIRTUALSCREEN) ;
int nVirtualHeight = GetSystemMetrics(SM_CYVIRTUALSCREEN) ;
int nVirtualLeft = GetSystemMetrics(SM_XVIRTUALSCREEN) ;
int nVirtualTop = GetSystemMetrics(SM_YVIRTUALSCREEN) ;
int cpt = 0 ;
int mode = GMMP_USE_DISPLAY_POINTS ;

MOUSEMOVEPOINT mp_in ;
MOUSEMOVEPOINT mp_out[64] ;

ZeroMemory(&mp_in, sizeof(mp_in)) ;
mp_in.x = pt.x & 0x0000FFFF ;//Ensure that this number will pass through.
mp_in.y = pt.y & 0x0000FFFF ;
cpt = GetMouseMovePointsEx(&mp_in, &mp_out, 64, mode) ;

for (int i = 0; i < cpt; i++)
{
    switch(mode)
    {
        case GMMP_USE_DISPLAY_POINTS:
            if (mp_out[i].x > 32767)
                mp_out[i].x -= 65536 ;
            if (mp_out[i].y > 32767)
                mp_out[i].y -= 65536 ;
            break ;
        case GMMP_USE_HIGH_RESOLUTION_POINTS:
            mp_out[i].x = ((mp_out[i].x * (nVirtualWidth - 1)) - (nVirtualLeft * 65536)) / nVirtualWidth ;
            mp_out[i].y = ((mp_out[i].y * (nVirtualHeight - 1)) - (nVirtualTop * 65536)) / nVirtualHeight ;
            break ;
    }
}

```

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

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[MOUSEMOVEPOINT](#)

[Mouse Input](#)

Reference

GetRawInputBuffer function (winuser.h)

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Performs a buffered read of the raw input messages data found in the calling thread's message queue.

Syntax

```
UINT GetRawInputBuffer(  
    [out, optional] PRAWINPUT pData,  
    [in, out]        PUINT      pcbSize,  
    [in]             UINT       cbSizeHeader  
);
```

Parameters

[out, optional] pData

Type: **PRAWINPUT**

A pointer to a buffer of **RAWINPUT** structures that contain the raw input data. Buffer should be aligned on a pointer boundary, which is a **DWORD** on 32-bit architectures and a **QWORD** on 64-bit architectures.

If **NULL**, size of the first raw input message data (minimum required buffer), in bytes, is returned in **pcbSize*.

[in, out] pcbSize

Type: **PUINT**

The size, in bytes, of the provided **RAWINPUT** buffer.

[in] cbSizeHeader

Type: **UINT**

The size, in bytes, of the **RAWINPUTHEADER** structure.

Return value

Type: **UINT**

If *pData* is **NULL** and the function is successful, the return value is zero. If *pData* is not **NULL** and the function is successful, the return value is the number of **RAWINPUT** structures written to *pData*.

If an error occurs, the return value is (**UINT**)-1. Call [GetLastError](#) for the error code.

Remarks

When an application receives raw input, its message queue gets a **WM_INPUT** message and the queue status flag **QS_RAWINPUT** is set.

Using **GetRawInputBuffer**, the raw input data is read in the array of variable size **RAWINPUT** structures and corresponding **WM_INPUT** messages are removed from the calling thread's message queue. You can call this method several times with buffer that cannot fit all message's data until all raw input messages have been read.

The [NEXTRAWINPUTBLOCK](#) macro allows an application to traverse an array of [RAWINPUT](#) structures.

If all raw input messages have been successfully read from message queue then [QS_RAWINPUT](#) flag is cleared from the calling thread's message queue status.

NOTE

WOW64: To get the correct size of the raw input buffer, do not use **pcbSize*, use **pcbSize * 8* instead. To ensure **GetRawInputBuffer** behaves properly on WOW64, you must align the [RAWINPUT](#) structure by 8 bytes. The following code shows how to align [RAWINPUT](#) for WOW64.

```
[StructLayout(LayoutKind.Explicit)]
internal struct RAWINPUT
{
    [FieldOffset(0)]
    public RAWINPUTHEADER header;

    [FieldOffset(16+8)]
    public RAWMOUSE mouse;

    [FieldOffset(16+8)]
    public RAWKEYBOARD keyboard;

    [FieldOffset(16+8)]
    public RAWHID hid;
}
```

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetMessage](#)

[NEXTRAWINPUTBLOCK](#)

[RAWINPUT](#)

[RAWINPUTHEADER](#)

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GetRawInputData function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the raw input from the specified device.

Syntax

```
UINT GetRawInputData(  
    [in]          HRAWINPUT hRawInput,  
    [in]          UINT      uiCommand,  
    [out, optional] LPVOID   pData,  
    [in, out]     PUINT      pcbSize,  
    [in]          UINT      cbSizeHeader  
);
```

Parameters

[in] hRawInput

Type: **HRAWINPUT**

A handle to the **RAWINPUT** structure. This comes from the *lParam* in **WM_INPUT**.

[in] uiCommand

Type: **UINT**

The command flag. This parameter can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
RID_HEADER 0x10000005	Get the header information from the RAWINPUT structure.
RID_INPUT 0x10000003	Get the raw data from the RAWINPUT structure.

[out, optional] pData

Type: **LPVOID**

A pointer to the data that comes from the **RAWINPUT** structure. This depends on the value of *uiCommand*. If *pData* is **NULL**, the required size of the buffer is returned in *pcbSize*.

[in, out] pcbSize

Type: **PUINT**

The size, in bytes, of the data in *pData*.

[in] cbSizeHeader

Type: **UINT**

The size, in bytes, of the [RAWINPUTHEADER](#) structure.

Return value

Type: **UINT**

If *pData* is **NULL** and the function is successful, the return value is 0. If *pData* is not **NULL** and the function is successful, the return value is the number of bytes copied into pData.

If there is an error, the return value is (**UINT**)-1.

Remarks

GetRawInputData gets the raw input one [RAWINPUT](#) structure at a time. In contrast, [GetRawInputBuffer](#) gets an array of [RAWINPUT](#) structures.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-rawinput-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

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Reference

GetRawInputDeviceInfoA function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves information about the raw input device.

Syntax

```
UINT GetRawInputDeviceInfoA(  
    [in, optional]    HANDLE hDevice,  
    [in]              UINT   uiCommand,  
    [in, out, optional] LPVOID pData,  
    [in, out]          PUINT  pcbSize  
);
```

Parameters

[in, optional] hDevice

Type: **HANDLE**

A handle to the raw input device. This comes from the **hDevice** member of [RAWINPUTHEADER](#) or from [GetRawInputDeviceList](#).

[in] uiCommand

Type: **UINT**

Specifies what data will be returned in *pData*. This parameter can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
RIDI_PREPAREDData 0x20000005	<i>pData</i> is a PHIDP_PREPARED_DATA pointer to a buffer for a top-level collection's prepared data.
RIDI_DEVICENAME 0x20000007	<i>pData</i> points to a string that contains the device interface name . If this device is opened with Shared Access Mode then you can call CreateFile with this name to open a HID collection and use returned handle for calling ReadFile to read input reports and WriteFile to send output reports. For more information, see Opening HID Collections and Handling HID Reports . For this <i>uiCommand</i> only, the value in <i>pcbSize</i> is the character count (not the byte count).
RIDI_DEVICEINFO 0x2000000b	<i>pData</i> points to an RID_DEVICE_INFO structure.

[in, out, optional] pData

Type: **LPVOID**

A pointer to a buffer that contains the information specified by *uiCommand*.

If *uiCommand* is **RIDI_DEVICEINFO**, set the **cbSize** member of **RID_DEVICE_INFO** to `sizeof(RID_DEVICE_INFO)` before calling **GetRawInputDeviceInfo**.

`[in, out] pcbSize`

Type: **PUINT**

The size, in bytes, of the data in *pData*.

Return value

Type: **UINT**

If successful, this function returns a non-negative number indicating the number of bytes copied to *pData*.

If *pData* is not large enough for the data, the function returns -1. If *pData* is **NULL**, the function returns a value of zero. In both of these cases, *pcbSize* is set to the minimum size required for the *pData* buffer.

Call [GetLastError](#) to identify any other errors.

Remarks

NOTE

The `winuser.h` header defines `GetRawInputDeviceInfo` as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the `UNICODE` preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	<code>winuser.h</code> (include <code>Windows.h</code>)
Library	<code>User32.lib</code>
DLL	<code>User32.dll</code>
API set	<code>ext-ms-win-ntuser-rawinput-l1-1-0</code> (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

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RID_DEVICE_INFO

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GetRawInputDeviceInfoW function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves information about the raw input device.

Syntax

```
UINT GetRawInputDeviceInfoW(  
    [in, optional]    HANDLE hDevice,  
    [in]              UINT   uiCommand,  
    [in, out, optional] LPVOID pData,  
    [in, out]          PUINT  pcbSize  
);
```

Parameters

[in, optional] hDevice

Type: **HANDLE**

A handle to the raw input device. This comes from the **hDevice** member of [RAWINPUTHEADER](#) or from [GetRawInputDeviceList](#).

[in] uiCommand

Type: **UINT**

Specifies what data will be returned in *pData*. This parameter can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
RIDI_PREPAREDData 0x20000005	<i>pData</i> is a PHIDP_PREPARED_DATA pointer to a buffer for a top-level collection's prepared data.
RIDI_DEVICENAME 0x20000007	<i>pData</i> points to a string that contains the device interface name . If this device is opened with Shared Access Mode then you can call CreateFile with this name to open a HID collection and use returned handle for calling ReadFile to read input reports and WriteFile to send output reports. For more information, see Opening HID Collections and Handling HID Reports . For this <i>uiCommand</i> only, the value in <i>pcbSize</i> is the character count (not the byte count).
RIDI_DEVICEINFO 0x2000000b	<i>pData</i> points to an RID_DEVICE_INFO structure.

[in, out, optional] pData

Type: **LPVOID**

A pointer to a buffer that contains the information specified by *uiCommand*.

If *uiCommand* is **RIDI_DEVICEINFO**, set the **cbSize** member of **RID_DEVICE_INFO** to `sizeof(RID_DEVICE_INFO)` before calling **GetRawInputDeviceInfo**.

`[in, out] pcbSize`

Type: **PUINT**

The size, in bytes, of the data in *pData*.

Return value

Type: **UINT**

If successful, this function returns a non-negative number indicating the number of bytes copied to *pData*.

If *pData* is not large enough for the data, the function returns -1. If *pData* is **NULL**, the function returns a value of zero. In both of these cases, *pcbSize* is set to the minimum size required for the *pData* buffer.

Call [GetLastError](#) to identify any other errors.

Remarks

NOTE

The `winuser.h` header defines `GetRawInputDeviceInfo` as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the `UNICODE` preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	<code>winuser.h</code> (include <code>Windows.h</code>)
Library	<code>User32.lib</code>
DLL	<code>User32.dll</code>
API set	<code>ext-ms-win-ntuser-rawinput-l1-1-0</code> (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

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RAWINPUTHEADER

RID_DEVICE_INFO

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GetRawInputDeviceList function (winuser.h)

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Enumerates the raw input devices attached to the system.

Syntax

```
UINT GetRawInputDeviceList(  
    [out, optional] PRAWINPUTDEVICELIST pRawInputDeviceList,  
    [in, out]       PUINT                puiNumDevices,  
    [in]            UINT                 cbSize  
);
```

Parameters

[out, optional] pRawInputDeviceList

Type: **PRAWINPUTDEVICELIST**

An array of **RAWINPUTDEVICELIST** structures for the devices attached to the system. If **NULL**, the number of devices are returned in **puiNumDevices*.

[in, out] puiNumDevices

Type: **PUINT**

If *pRawInputDeviceList* is **NULL**, the function populates this variable with the number of devices attached to the system; otherwise, this variable specifies the number of **RAWINPUTDEVICELIST** structures that can be contained in the buffer to which *pRawInputDeviceList* points. If this value is less than the number of devices attached to the system, the function returns the actual number of devices in this variable and fails with **ERROR_INSUFFICIENT_BUFFER**. If this value is greater than or equal to the number of devices attached to the system, then the value is unchanged, and the number of devices is reported as the return value.

[in] cbSize

Type: **UINT**

The size of a **RAWINPUTDEVICELIST** structure, in bytes.

Return value

Type: **UINT**

If the function is successful, the return value is the number of devices stored in the buffer pointed to by *pRawInputDeviceList*.

On any other error, the function returns (**UINT**) -1 and [GetLastError](#) returns the error indication.

Remarks

The devices returned from this function are the mouse, the keyboard, and other Human Interface Device (HID) devices.

To get more detailed information about the attached devices, call [GetRawInputDeviceInfo](#) using the hDevice from [RAWINPUTDEVICELIST](#).

Examples

The following sample code shows a typical call to **GetRawInputDeviceList**:

```
UINT nDevices;
PRAWINPUTDEVICELIST pRawInputDeviceList = NULL;
while (true) {
    if (GetRawInputDeviceList(NULL, &nDevices, sizeof(RAWINPUTDEVICELIST)) != 0) { Error();}
    if (nDevices == 0) { break; }
    if ((pRawInputDeviceList = malloc(sizeof(RAWINPUTDEVICELIST) * nDevices)) == NULL) {Error();}
    nDevices = GetRawInputDeviceList(pRawInputDeviceList, &nDevices, sizeof(RAWINPUTDEVICELIST));
    if (nDevices == (UINT)-1) {
        if (GetLastError() != ERROR_INSUFFICIENT_BUFFER) { Error(); }
        // Devices were added.
        free(pRawInputDeviceList);
        continue;
    }
    break;
}
// do the job...
// after the job, free the RAWINPUTDEVICELIST
free(pRawInputDeviceList);
```

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-rawinput-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

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[GetRawInputDeviceInfo](#)

[RAWINPUTDEVICELIST](#)

[Raw Input](#)

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GetRegisteredRawInputDevices function (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the information about the raw input devices for the current application.

Syntax

```
UINT GetRegisteredRawInputDevices(  
    [out, optional] PRAWINPUTDEVICE pRawInputDevices,  
    [in, out]        PUINT           puiNumDevices,  
    [in]             UINT            cbSize  
);
```

Parameters

[out, optional] pRawInputDevices

Type: **PRAWINPUTDEVICE**

An array of **RAWINPUTDEVICE** structures for the application.

[in, out] puiNumDevices

Type: **PUINT**

The number of **RAWINPUTDEVICE** structures in **pRawInputDevices*.

[in] cbSize

Type: **UINT**

The size, in bytes, of a **RAWINPUTDEVICE** structure.

Return value

Type: **UINT**

If successful, the function returns a non-negative number that is the number of **RAWINPUTDEVICE** structures written to the buffer.

If the *pRawInputDevices* buffer is too small or **NULL**, the function sets the last error as **ERROR_INSUFFICIENT_BUFFER**, returns -1, and sets *puiNumDevices* to the required number of devices. If the function fails for any other reason, it returns -1. For more details, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

To receive raw input from a device, an application must register it by using [RegisterRawInputDevices](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

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[RAWINPUTDEVICE](#)

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[RegisterRawInputDevices](#)

HARDWAREINPUT structure (winuser.h)

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Contains information about a simulated message generated by an input device other than a keyboard or mouse.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagHARDWAREINPUT {  
    DWORD uMsg;  
    WORD  wParamL;  
    WORD  wParamH;  
} HARDWAREINPUT, *PHARDWAREINPUT, *LPHARDWAREINPUT;
```

Members

uMsg

Type: **DWORD**

The message generated by the input hardware.

wParamL

Type: **WORD**

The low-order word of the *lParam* parameter for **uMsg**.

wParamH

Type: **WORD**

The high-order word of the *lParam* parameter for **uMsg**.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

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SendInput

INPUT structure (winuser.h)

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Used by [SendInput](#) to store information for synthesizing input events such as keystrokes, mouse movement, and mouse clicks.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagINPUT {  
    DWORD type;  
    union {  
        MOUSEINPUT    mi;  
        KEYBDINPUT     ki;  
        HARDWAREINPUT  hi;  
    } DUMMYUNIONNAME;  
} INPUT, *PINPUT, *LPINPUT;
```

Members

type

Type: **DWORD**

The type of the input event. This member can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
INPUT_MOUSE 0	The event is a mouse event. Use the mi structure of the union.
INPUT_KEYBOARD 1	The event is a keyboard event. Use the ki structure of the union.
INPUT_HARDWARE 2	The event is a hardware event. Use the hi structure of the union.

DUMMYUNIONNAME

DUMMYUNIONNAME.mi

Type: **MOUSEINPUT**

The information about a simulated mouse event.

DUMMYUNIONNAME.ki

Type: **KEYBDINPUT**

The information about a simulated keyboard event.

DUMMYUNIONNAME.hi

Type: [HARDWAREINPUT](#)

The information about a simulated hardware event.

Remarks

INPUT_KEYBOARD supports nonkeyboard input methods, such as handwriting recognition or voice recognition, as if it were text input by using the **KEYEVENTF_UNICODE** flag. For more information, see the remarks section of [KEYBDINPUT](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

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[GetMessageExtrInfo](#)

[HARDWAREINPUT](#)

[KEYBDINPUT](#)

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IsWindowEnabled function (winuser.h)

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Determines whether the specified window is enabled for mouse and keyboard input.

Syntax

```
BOOL IsWindowEnabled(  
    [in] HWND hWnd  
);
```

Parameters

[in] hWnd

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the window to be tested.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the window is enabled, the return value is nonzero.

If the window is not enabled, the return value is zero.

Remarks

A child window receives input only if it is both enabled and visible.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-window-l1-1-4 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

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[EnableWindow](#)

[IsWindowVisible](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

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keybd_event function (winuser.h)

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Synthesizes a keystroke. The system can use such a synthesized keystroke to generate a [WM_KEYUP](#) or [WM_KEYDOWN](#) message. The keyboard driver's interrupt handler calls the **keybd_event** function.

Note This function has been superseded. Use [SendInput](#) instead.

Syntax

```
void keybd_event(  
    [in] BYTE      bVk,  
    [in] BYTE      bScan,  
    [in] DWORD      dwFlags,  
    [in] ULONG_PTR dwExtraInfo  
);
```

Parameters

[in] bVk

Type: **BYTE**

A virtual-key code. The code must be a value in the range 1 to 254. For a complete list, see [Virtual Key Codes](#).

[in] bScan

Type: **BYTE**

A hardware scan code for the key.

[in] dwFlags

Type: **DWORD**

Controls various aspects of function operation. This parameter can be one or more of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
KEYEVENTF_EXTENDEDKEY 0x0001	If specified, the scan code was preceded by a prefix byte having the value 0xE0 (224).
KEYEVENTF_KEYUP 0x0002	If specified, the key is being released. If not specified, the key is being depressed.

[in] dwExtraInfo

Type: **ULONG_PTR**

An additional value associated with the key stroke.

Return value

None

Remarks

An application can simulate a press of the PRINTSCRN key in order to obtain a screen snapshot and save it to the clipboard. To do this, call **keybd_event** with the *bVk* parameter set to **VK_SNAPSHOT**.

Examples

The following sample program toggles the NUM LOCK light by using **keybd_event** with a virtual key of **VK_NUMLOCK**. It takes a Boolean value that indicates whether the light should be turned off (**FALSE**) or on (**TRUE**). The same technique can be used for the CAPS LOCK key (**VK_CAPITAL**) and the SCROLL LOCK key (**VK_SCROLL**).

```
#include <windows.h>

void SetNumLock( BOOL bState )
{
    BYTE keyState[256];

    GetKeyboardState((LPBYTE)&keyState);
    if( (bState && !(keyState[VK_NUMLOCK] & 1)) ||
        (!bState && (keyState[VK_NUMLOCK] & 1)) )
    {
        // Simulate a key press
        keybd_event( VK_NUMLOCK,
                    0x45,
                    KEYEVENTF_EXTENDEDKEY | 0,
                    0 );

        // Simulate a key release
        keybd_event( VK_NUMLOCK,
                    0x45,
                    KEYEVENTF_EXTENDEDKEY | KEYEVENTF_KEYUP,
                    0 );
    }
}

void main()
{
    SetNumLock( TRUE );
}
```

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows

Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[MapVirtualKey](#)

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[SetKeyboardState](#)

[keybd_event](#)

KEYBDINPUT structure (winuser.h)

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Contains information about a simulated keyboard event.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagKEYBDINPUT {  
    WORD        wVk;  
    WORD        wScan;  
    DWORD       dwFlags;  
    DWORD       time;  
    ULONG_PTR   dwExtraInfo;  
} KEYBDINPUT, *PKEYBDINPUT, *LPKEYBDINPUT;
```

Members

wVk

Type: **WORD**

A [virtual-key code](#). The code must be a value in the range 1 to 254. If the **dwFlags** member specifies **KEYEVENTF_UNICODE**, **wVk** must be 0.

wScan

Type: **WORD**

A hardware scan code for the key. If **dwFlags** specifies **KEYEVENTF_UNICODE**, **wScan** specifies a Unicode character which is to be sent to the foreground application.

dwFlags

Type: **DWORD**

Specifies various aspects of a keystroke. This member can be certain combinations of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
KEYEVENTF_EXTENDEDKEY 0x0001	If specified, the scan code was preceded by a prefix byte that has the value 0xE0 (224).
KEYEVENTF_KEYUP 0x0002	If specified, the key is being released. If not specified, the key is being pressed.
KEYEVENTF_SCANCODE 0x0008	If specified, wScan identifies the key and wVk is ignored.

KEYEVENTF_UNICODE 0x0004	If specified, the system synthesizes a VK_PACKET keystroke. The wVk parameter must be zero. This flag can only be combined with the KEYEVENTF_KEYUP flag. For more information, see the Remarks section.
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time

Type: **DWORD**

The time stamp for the event, in milliseconds. If this parameter is zero, the system will provide its own time stamp.

dwExtraInfo

Type: **ULONG_PTR**

An additional value associated with the keystroke. Use the [GetMessageExtraInfo](#) function to obtain this information.

Remarks

INPUT_KEYBOARD supports nonkeyboard-input methods—such as handwriting recognition or voice recognition—as if it were text input by using the **KEYEVENTF_UNICODE** flag. If **KEYEVENTF_UNICODE** is specified, [SendInput](#) sends a **WM_KEYDOWN** or **WM_KEYUP** message to the foreground thread's message queue with *wParam* equal to **VK_PACKET**. Once [GetMessage](#) or [PeekMessage](#) obtains this message, passing the message to [TranslateMessage](#) posts a **WM_CHAR** message with the Unicode character originally specified by **wScan**. This Unicode character will automatically be converted to the appropriate ANSI value if it is posted to an ANSI window.

Set the **KEYEVENTF_SCANCODE** flag to define keyboard input in terms of the scan code. This is useful to simulate a physical keystroke regardless of which keyboard is currently being used. The virtual key value of a key may alter depending on the current keyboard layout or what other keys were pressed, but the scan code will always be the same.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetMessageExtraInfo](#)

[INPUT](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[SendInput](#)

LASTINPUTINFO structure (winuser.h)

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Contains the time of the last input.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagLASTINPUTINFO {  
    UINT    cbSize;  
    DWORD   dwTime;  
} LASTINPUTINFO, *PLASTINPUTINFO;
```

Members

cbSize

Type: **UINT**

The size of the structure, in bytes. This member must be set to `sizeof(LASTINPUTINFO)`.

dwTime

Type: **DWORD**

The tick count when the last input event was received.

Remarks

This function is useful for input idle detection. For more information on tick counts, see [GetTickCount](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetLastInputInfo](#)

[GetTickCount](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

LoadKeyboardLayoutA function (winuser.h)

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Loads a new input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) into the system.

Prior to Windows 8: Several input locale identifiers can be loaded at a time, but only one per process is active at a time. Loading multiple input locale identifiers makes it possible to rapidly switch between them.

Beginning in Windows 8: The input locale identifier is loaded for the entire system. This function has no effect if the current process does not own the window with keyboard focus.

Syntax

```
HKL LoadKeyboardLayoutA(  
    [in] LPCSTR pwszKLID,  
    [in] UINT    Flags  
);
```

Parameters

[in] pwszKLID

Type: LPCTSTR

The name of the input locale identifier to load. This name is a string composed of the hexadecimal value of the [Language Identifier](#) (low word) and a device identifier (high word). For example, U.S. English has a language identifier of 0x0409, so the primary U.S. English layout is named "00000409". Variants of U.S. English layout (such as the Dvorak layout) are named "00010409", "00020409", and so on.

[in] Flags

Type: UINT

Specifies how the input locale identifier is to be loaded. This parameter can be one or more of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
KLF_ACTIVATE 0x00000001	Prior to Windows 8: If the specified input locale identifier is not already loaded, the function loads and activates the input locale identifier for the current thread. Beginning in Windows 8: If the specified input locale identifier is not already loaded, the function loads and activates the input locale identifier for the system.

KLF_NOTELLSHELL 0x00000080	<p>Prior to Windows 8: Prevents a ShellProc hook procedure from receiving an HSHELL_LANGUAGE hook code when the new input locale identifier is loaded. This value is typically used when an application loads multiple input locale identifiers one after another. Applying this value to all but the last input locale identifier delays the shell's processing until all input locale identifiers have been added.</p> <p>Beginning in Windows 8: In this scenario, the last input locale identifier is set for the entire system.</p>
KLF_REORDER 0x00000008	<p>Prior to Windows 8: Moves the specified input locale identifier to the head of the input locale identifier list, making that locale identifier the active locale identifier for the current thread. This value reorders the input locale identifier list even if KLF_ACTIVATE is not provided.</p> <p>Beginning in Windows 8: Moves the specified input locale identifier to the head of the input locale identifier list, making that locale identifier the active locale identifier for the system. This value reorders the input locale identifier list even if KLF_ACTIVATE is not provided.</p>
KLF_REPLACELANG 0x00000010	<p>If the new input locale identifier has the same language identifier as a current input locale identifier, the new input locale identifier replaces the current one as the input locale identifier for that language. If this value is not provided and the input locale identifiers have the same language identifiers, the current input locale identifier is not replaced and the function returns NULL.</p>
KLF_SUBSTITUTE_OK 0x00000002	<p>Substitutes the specified input locale identifier with another locale preferred by the user. The system starts with this flag set, and it is recommended that your application always use this flag. The substitution occurs only if the registry key HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Keyboard\Layout\Substitutes explicitly defines a substitution locale. For example, if the key includes the value name "00000409" with value "00010409", loading the U.S. English layout ("00000409") causes the Dvorak U.S. English layout ("00010409") to be loaded instead. The system uses KLF_SUBSTITUTE_OK when booting, and it is recommended that all applications use this value when loading input locale identifiers to ensure that the user's preference is selected.</p>
KLF_SETFORPROCESS 0x00000100	<p>Prior to Windows 8: This flag is valid only with KLF_ACTIVATE. Activates the specified input locale identifier for the entire process and sends the WM_INPUTLANGCHANGE message to the current thread's Focus or Active window. Typically, LoadKeyboardLayout activates an input locale identifier only for the current thread.</p> <p>Beginning in Windows 8: This flag is not used. LoadKeyboardLayout always activates an input locale identifier for the entire system if the current process owns the window with keyboard focus.</p>
KLF_UNLOADPREVIOUS	<p>This flag is unsupported. Use the UnloadKeyboardLayout function instead.</p>

Return value

Type: HKL

If the function succeeds, the return value is the input locale identifier corresponding to the name specified in *pwszKLID*. If no matching locale is available, the return value is the default language of the system.

If the function fails, the return value is NULL. This can occur if the layout library is loaded from the application directory.

To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

An application can and will typically load the default input locale identifier or IME for a language and can do so by specifying only a string version of the language identifier. If an application wants to load a specific locale or IME, it should read the registry to determine the specific input locale identifier to pass to **LoadKeyboardLayout**. In this case, a request to activate the default input locale identifier for a locale will activate the first matching one. A specific IME should be activated using an explicit input locale identifier returned from [GetKeyboardLayout](#) or **LoadKeyboardLayout**.

Prior to Windows 8: This function only affects the layout for the current process or thread.

Beginning in Windows 8: This function affects the layout for the entire system.

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines LoadKeyboardLayout as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the UNICODE preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

[ActivateKeyboardLayout](#)

Conceptual

[GetKeyboardLayoutName](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[MAKELANGID](#)

Other Resources

Reference

[UnloadKeyboardLayout](#)

LoadKeyboardLayoutW function (winuser.h)

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Loads a new input locale identifier (formerly called the keyboard layout) into the system.

Prior to Windows 8: Several input locale identifiers can be loaded at a time, but only one per process is active at a time. Loading multiple input locale identifiers makes it possible to rapidly switch between them.

Beginning in Windows 8: The input locale identifier is loaded for the entire system. This function has no effect if the current process does not own the window with keyboard focus.

Syntax

```
HKL LoadKeyboardLayoutW(  
    [in] LPCWSTR pwszKLID,  
    [in] UINT     Flags  
);
```

Parameters

[in] pwszKLID

Type: LPCTSTR

The name of the input locale identifier to load. This name is a string composed of the hexadecimal value of the [Language Identifier](#) (low word) and a device identifier (high word). For example, U.S. English has a language identifier of 0x0409, so the primary U.S. English layout is named "00000409". Variants of U.S. English layout (such as the Dvorak layout) are named "00010409", "00020409", and so on.

[in] Flags

Type: UINT

Specifies how the input locale identifier is to be loaded. This parameter can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
KLF_ACTIVATE 0x00000001	Prior to Windows 8: If the specified input locale identifier is not already loaded, the function loads and activates the input locale identifier for the current thread. Beginning in Windows 8: If the specified input locale identifier is not already loaded, the function loads and activates the input locale identifier for the system.

KLF_NOTESHELL 0x00000080	<p>Prior to Windows 8: Prevents a ShellProc hook procedure from receiving an HShell_Language hook code when the new input locale identifier is loaded. This value is typically used when an application loads multiple input locale identifiers one after another. Applying this value to all but the last input locale identifier delays the shell's processing until all input locale identifiers have been added.</p> <p>Beginning in Windows 8: In this scenario, the last input locale identifier is set for the entire system.</p>
KLF_REORDER 0x00000008	<p>Prior to Windows 8: Moves the specified input locale identifier to the head of the input locale identifier list, making that locale identifier the active locale identifier for the current thread. This value reorders the input locale identifier list even if KLF_ACTIVATE is not provided.</p> <p>Beginning in Windows 8: Moves the specified input locale identifier to the head of the input locale identifier list, making that locale identifier the active locale identifier for the system. This value reorders the input locale identifier list even if KLF_ACTIVATE is not provided.</p>
KLF_REPLACELANG 0x00000010	<p>If the new input locale identifier has the same language identifier as a current input locale identifier, the new input locale identifier replaces the current one as the input locale identifier for that language. If this value is not provided and the input locale identifiers have the same language identifiers, the current input locale identifier is not replaced and the function returns NULL.</p>
KLF_SUBSTITUTE_OK 0x00000002	<p>Substitutes the specified input locale identifier with another locale preferred by the user. The system starts with this flag set, and it is recommended that your application always use this flag. The substitution occurs only if the registry key HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Keyboard\Layout\Substitutes explicitly defines a substitution locale. For example, if the key includes the value name "00000409" with value "00010409", loading the U.S. English layout ("00000409") causes the Dvorak U.S. English layout ("00010409") to be loaded instead. The system uses KLF_SUBSTITUTE_OK when booting, and it is recommended that all applications use this value when loading input locale identifiers to ensure that the user's preference is selected.</p>
KLF_SETFORPROCESS 0x00000100	<p>Prior to Windows 8: This flag is valid only with KLF_ACTIVATE. Activates the specified input locale identifier for the entire process and sends the WM_INPUTLANGCHANGE message to the current thread's Focus or Active window. Typically, LoadKeyboardLayout activates an input locale identifier only for the current thread.</p> <p>Beginning in Windows 8: This flag is not used. LoadKeyboardLayout always activates an input locale identifier for the entire system if the current process owns the window with keyboard focus.</p>
KLF_UNLOADPREVIOUS	<p>This flag is unsupported. Use the UnloadKeyboardLayout function instead.</p>

Return value

Type: HKL

If the function succeeds, the return value is the input locale identifier corresponding to the name specified in *pwszKLID*. If no matching locale is available, the return value is the default language of the system.

If the function fails, the return value is NULL. This can occur if the layout library is loaded from the application directory.

To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

An application can and will typically load the default input locale identifier or IME for a language and can do so by specifying only a string version of the language identifier. If an application wants to load a specific locale or IME, it should read the registry to determine the specific input locale identifier to pass to **LoadKeyboardLayout**. In this case, a request to activate the default input locale identifier for a locale will activate the first matching one. A specific IME should be activated using an explicit input locale identifier returned from [GetKeyboardLayout](#) or **LoadKeyboardLayout**.

Prior to Windows 8: This function only affects the layout for the current process or thread.

Beginning in Windows 8: This function affects the layout for the entire system.

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines LoadKeyboardLayout as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the UNICODE preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

[ActivateKeyboardLayout](#)

Conceptual

[GetKeyboardLayoutName](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[MAKELANGID](#)

Other Resources

Reference

[UnloadKeyboardLayout](#)

MapVirtualKeyA function (winuser.h)

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Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code.

To specify a handle to the keyboard layout to use for translating the specified code, use the [MapVirtualKeyEx](#) function.

Syntax

```
UINT MapVirtualKeyA(  
    [in] UINT uCode,  
    [in] UINT uMapType  
);
```

Parameters

[in] *uCode*

Type: **UINT**

The [virtual key code](#) or scan code for a key. How this value is interpreted depends on the value of the *uMapType* parameter.

Starting with Windows Vista, the high byte of the *uCode* value can contain either 0xe0 or 0xe1 to specify the extended scan code.

[in] *uMapType*

Type: **UINT**

The translation to be performed. The value of this parameter depends on the value of the *uCode* parameter.

VALUE	MEANING
MAPVK_VK_TO_VSC 0	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into a scan code. If it is a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys, the left-hand scan code is returned. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VSC_TO_VK 1	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a scan code and is translated into a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VK_TO_CHAR 2	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into an unshifted character value in the low order word of the return value. Dead keys (diacritics) are indicated by setting the top bit of the return value. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.

VALUE	MEANING
MAPVK_VSC_TO_VK_EX 3	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a scan code and is translated into a virtual-key code that distinguishes between left- and right-hand keys. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VK_TO_VSC_EX 4	Windows Vista and later: The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into a scan code. If it is a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys, the left-hand scan code is returned. If the scan code is an extended scan code, the high byte of the <i>uCode</i> value can contain either 0xe0 or 0xe1 to specify the extended scan code. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.

Return value

Type: **UINT**

The return value is either a scan code, a virtual-key code, or a character value, depending on the value of *uCode* and *uMapType*. If there is no translation, the return value is zero.

Remarks

An application can use **MapVirtualKey** to translate scan codes to the virtual-key code constants **VK_SHIFT**, **VK_CONTROL**, and **VK_MENU**, and vice versa. These translations do not distinguish between the left and right instances of the SHIFT, CTRL, or ALT keys.

An application can get the scan code corresponding to the left or right instance of one of these keys by calling **MapVirtualKey** with *uCode* set to one of the following virtual-key code constants:

- **VK_LSHIFT**
- **VK_RSHIFT**
- **VK_LCONTROL**
- **VK_RCONTROL**
- **VK_LMENU**
- **VK_RMENU**

These left- and right-distinguishing constants are available to an application only through the [GetKeyboardState](#), [SetKeyboardState](#), [GetAsyncKeyState](#), [GetKeyState](#), [MapVirtualKey](#), and **MapVirtualKeyEx** functions. For list complete table of virtual key codes, see [Virtual Key Codes](#).

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines MapVirtualKey as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the UNICODE preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]

Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[MapVirtualKeyEx](#)

Reference

[SetKeyboardState](#)

MapVirtualKeyExA function (winuser.h)

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Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code. The function translates the codes using the input language and an input locale identifier.

Syntax

```
UINT MapVirtualKeyExA(  
    [in]          UINT uCode,  
    [in]          UINT uMapType,  
    [in, out, optional] HKL dwHkl  
);
```

Parameters

[in] uCode

Type: **UINT**

The **virtual key code** or scan code for a key. How this value is interpreted depends on the value of the *uMapType* parameter.

Starting with Windows Vista, the high byte of the *uCode* value can contain either 0xe0 or 0xe1 to specify the extended scan code.

[in] uMapType

Type: **UINT**

The translation to perform. The value of this parameter depends on the value of the *uCode* parameter.

VALUE	MEANING
MAPVK_VK_TO_VSC 0	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into a scan code. If it is a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys, the left-hand scan code is returned. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VSC_TO_VK 1	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a scan code and is translated into a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VK_TO_CHAR 2	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into an unshifted character value in the low order word of the return value. Dead keys (diacritics) are indicated by setting the top bit of the return value. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.

VALUE	MEANING
MAPVK_VSC_TO_VK_EX 3	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a scan code and is translated into a virtual-key code that distinguishes between left- and right-hand keys. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VK_TO_VSC_EX 4	Windows Vista and later: The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into a scan code. If it is a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys, the left-hand scan code is returned. If the scan code is an extended scan code, the high byte of the <i>uCode</i> value can contain either 0xe0 or 0xe1 to specify the extended scan code. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.

[in, out, optional] dwHKL

Type: HKL

Input locale identifier to use for translating the specified code. This parameter can be any input locale identifier previously returned by the [LoadKeyboardLayout](#) function.

Return value

Type: UINT

The return value is either a scan code, a virtual-key code, or a character value, depending on the value of *uCode* and *uMapType*. If there is no translation, the return value is zero.

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

An application can use **MapVirtualKeyEx** to translate scan codes to the virtual-key code constants **VK_SHIFT**, **VK_CONTROL**, and **VK_MENU**, and vice versa. These translations do not distinguish between the left and right instances of the SHIFT, CTRL, or ALT keys.

An application can get the scan code corresponding to the left or right instance of one of these keys by calling **MapVirtualKeyEx** with *uCode* set to one of the following virtual-key code constants:

- **VK_LSHIFT**
- **VK_RSHIFT**
- **VK_LCONTROL**
- **VK_RCONTROL**
- **VK_LMENU**
- **VK_RMENU**

These left- and right-distinguishing constants are available to an application only through the [GetKeyboardState](#), [SetKeyboardState](#), [GetAsyncKeyState](#), [GetKeyState](#), [MapVirtualKey](#), and **MapVirtualKeyEx** functions. For list complete table of virtual key codes, see [Virtual Key Codes](#).

NOTE

The `winuser.h` header defines `MapVirtualKeyEx` as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the `UNICODE` preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	<code>winuser.h</code> (include <code>Windows.h</code>)
Library	<code>User32.lib</code>
DLL	<code>User32.dll</code>

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

Reference

[SetKeyboardState](#)

MapVirtualKeyExW function (winuser.h)

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Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code. The function translates the codes using the input language and an input locale identifier.

Syntax

```
UINT MapVirtualKeyExW(  
    [in]          UINT uCode,  
    [in]          UINT uMapType,  
    [in, out, optional] HKL dwHkl  
);
```

Parameters

[in] uCode

Type: **UINT**

The **virtual key code** or scan code for a key. How this value is interpreted depends on the value of the *uMapType* parameter.

Starting with Windows Vista, the high byte of the *uCode* value can contain either 0xe0 or 0xe1 to specify the extended scan code.

[in] uMapType

Type: **UINT**

The translation to perform. The value of this parameter depends on the value of the *uCode* parameter.

VALUE	MEANING
MAPVK_VK_TO_VSC 0	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into a scan code. If it is a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys, the left-hand scan code is returned. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VSC_TO_VK 1	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a scan code and is translated into a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VK_TO_CHAR 2	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into an unshifted character value in the low order word of the return value. Dead keys (diacritics) are indicated by setting the top bit of the return value. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.

VALUE	MEANING
MAPVK_VSC_TO_VK_EX 3	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a scan code and is translated into a virtual-key code that distinguishes between left- and right-hand keys. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VK_TO_VSC_EX 4	Windows Vista and later: The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into a scan code. If it is a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys, the left-hand scan code is returned. If the scan code is an extended scan code, the high byte of the <i>uCode</i> value can contain either 0xe0 or 0xe1 to specify the extended scan code. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.

[in, out, optional] dwHKL

Type: HKL

Input locale identifier to use for translating the specified code. This parameter can be any input locale identifier previously returned by the [LoadKeyboardLayout](#) function.

Return value

Type: UINT

The return value is either a scan code, a virtual-key code, or a character value, depending on the value of *uCode* and *uMapType*. If there is no translation, the return value is zero.

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

An application can use **MapVirtualKeyEx** to translate scan codes to the virtual-key code constants **VK_SHIFT**, **VK_CONTROL**, and **VK_MENU**, and vice versa. These translations do not distinguish between the left and right instances of the SHIFT, CTRL, or ALT keys.

An application can get the scan code corresponding to the left or right instance of one of these keys by calling **MapVirtualKeyEx** with *uCode* set to one of the following virtual-key code constants:

- **VK_LSHIFT**
- **VK_RSHIFT**
- **VK_LCONTROL**
- **VK_RCONTROL**
- **VK_LMENU**
- **VK_RMENU**

These left- and right-distinguishing constants are available to an application only through the [GetKeyboardState](#), [SetKeyboardState](#), [GetAsyncKeyState](#), [GetKeyState](#), [MapVirtualKey](#), and **MapVirtualKeyEx** functions. For list complete table of virtual key codes, see [Virtual Key Codes](#).

NOTE

The `winuser.h` header defines `MapVirtualKeyEx` as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the `UNICODE` preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	<code>winuser.h</code> (include <code>Windows.h</code>)
Library	<code>User32.lib</code>
DLL	<code>User32.dll</code>

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

Reference

[SetKeyboardState](#)

MapVirtualKeyW function (winuser.h)

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Translates (maps) a virtual-key code into a scan code or character value, or translates a scan code into a virtual-key code.

To specify a handle to the keyboard layout to use for translating the specified code, use the [MapVirtualKeyEx](#) function.

Syntax

```
UINT MapVirtualKeyW(  
    [in] UINT uCode,  
    [in] UINT uMapType  
);
```

Parameters

[in] *uCode*

Type: **UINT**

The [virtual key code](#) or scan code for a key. How this value is interpreted depends on the value of the *uMapType* parameter.

Starting with Windows Vista, the high byte of the *uCode* value can contain either 0xe0 or 0xe1 to specify the extended scan code.

[in] *uMapType*

Type: **UINT**

The translation to be performed. The value of this parameter depends on the value of the *uCode* parameter.

VALUE	MEANING
MAPVK_VK_TO_VSC 0	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into a scan code. If it is a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys, the left-hand scan code is returned. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VSC_TO_VK 1	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a scan code and is translated into a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VK_TO_CHAR 2	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into an unshifted character value in the low order word of the return value. Dead keys (diacritics) are indicated by setting the top bit of the return value. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.

VALUE	MEANING
MAPVK_VSC_TO_VK_EX 3	The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a scan code and is translated into a virtual-key code that distinguishes between left- and right-hand keys. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.
MAPVK_VK_TO_VSC_EX 4	Windows Vista and later: The <i>uCode</i> parameter is a virtual-key code and is translated into a scan code. If it is a virtual-key code that does not distinguish between left- and right-hand keys, the left-hand scan code is returned. If the scan code is an extended scan code, the high byte of the <i>uCode</i> value can contain either 0xe0 or 0xe1 to specify the extended scan code. If there is no translation, the function returns 0.

Return value

Type: **UINT**

The return value is either a scan code, a virtual-key code, or a character value, depending on the value of *uCode* and *uMapType*. If there is no translation, the return value is zero.

Remarks

An application can use **MapVirtualKey** to translate scan codes to the virtual-key code constants **VK_SHIFT**, **VK_CONTROL**, and **VK_MENU**, and vice versa. These translations do not distinguish between the left and right instances of the SHIFT, CTRL, or ALT keys.

An application can get the scan code corresponding to the left or right instance of one of these keys by calling **MapVirtualKey** with *uCode* set to one of the following virtual-key code constants:

- **VK_LSHIFT**
- **VK_RSHIFT**
- **VK_LCONTROL**
- **VK_RCONTROL**
- **VK_LMENU**
- **VK_RMENU**

These left- and right-distinguishing constants are available to an application only through the [GetKeyboardState](#), [SetKeyboardState](#), [GetAsyncKeyState](#), [GetKeyState](#), [MapVirtualKey](#), and **MapVirtualKeyEx** functions. For list complete table of virtual key codes, see [Virtual Key Codes](#).

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines MapVirtualKey as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the UNICODE preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]

Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

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Reference

[SetKeyboardState](#)

mouse_event function (winuser.h)

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The **mouse_event** function synthesizes mouse motion and button clicks.

Note This function has been superseded. Use [SendInput](#) instead.

Syntax

```
void mouse_event(  
    [in] DWORD    dwFlags,  
    [in] DWORD    dx,  
    [in] DWORD    dy,  
    [in] DWORD    dwData,  
    [in] ULONG_PTR dwExtraInfo  
);
```

Parameters

[in] dwFlags

Type: **DWORD**

Controls various aspects of mouse motion and button clicking. This parameter can be certain combinations of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
MOUSEEVENTF_ABSOLUTE 0x8000	The <i>dx</i> and <i>dy</i> parameters contain normalized absolute coordinates. If not set, those parameters contain relative data: the change in position since the last reported position. This flag can be set, or not set, regardless of what kind of mouse or mouse-like device, if any, is connected to the system. For further information about relative mouse motion, see the following Remarks section.
MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTDOWN 0x0002	The left button is down.
MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTUP 0x0004	The left button is up.
MOUSEEVENTF_MIDDLEDOWN 0x0020	The middle button is down.

MOUSEEVENTF_MIDDLEUP 0x0040	The middle button is up.
MOUSEEVENTF_MOVE 0x0001	Movement occurred.
MOUSEEVENTF_RIGHTDOWN 0x0008	The right button is down.
MOUSEEVENTF_RIGHTUP 0x0010	The right button is up.
MOUSEEVENTF_WHEEL 0x0800	The wheel has been moved, if the mouse has a wheel. The amount of movement is specified in <i>dwData</i>
MOUSEEVENTF_XDOWN 0x0080	An X button was pressed.
MOUSEEVENTF_XUP 0x0100	An X button was released.
MOUSEEVENTF_WHEEL 0x0800	The wheel button is rotated.
MOUSEEVENTF_HWHEEL 0x01000	The wheel button is tilted.

The values that specify mouse button status are set to indicate changes in status, not ongoing conditions. For example, if the left mouse button is pressed and held down, **MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTDOWN** is set when the left button is first pressed, but not for subsequent motions. Similarly, **MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTUP** is set only when the button is first released.

You cannot specify both **MOUSEEVENTF_WHEEL** and either **MOUSEEVENTF_XDOWN** or **MOUSEEVENTF_XUP** simultaneously in the *dwFlags* parameter, because they both require use of the *dwData* field.

[in] dx

Type: **DWORD**

The mouse's absolute position along the x-axis or its amount of motion since the last mouse event was generated, depending on the setting of **MOUSEEVENTF_ABSOLUTE**. Absolute data is specified as the mouse's actual x-coordinate; relative data is specified as the number of mickeys moved. A *mickey* is the amount that a mouse has to move for it to report that it has moved.

[in] *dy*

Type: **DWORD**

The mouse's absolute position along the y-axis or its amount of motion since the last mouse event was generated, depending on the setting of **MOUSEEVENTF_ABSOLUTE**. Absolute data is specified as the mouse's actual y-coordinate; relative data is specified as the number of mickeys moved.

[in] *dwData*

Type: **DWORD**

If *dwFlags* contains **MOUSEEVENTF_WHEEL**, then *dwData* specifies the amount of wheel movement. A positive value indicates that the wheel was rotated forward, away from the user; a negative value indicates that the wheel was rotated backward, toward the user. One wheel click is defined as **WHEEL_DELTA**, which is 120.

If *dwFlags* contains **MOUSEEVENTF_HWHEEL**, then *dwData* specifies the amount of wheel movement. A positive value indicates that the wheel was tilted to the right; a negative value indicates that the wheel was tilted to the left.

If *dwFlags* contains **MOUSEEVENTF_XDOWN** or **MOUSEEVENTF_XUP**, then *dwData* specifies which X buttons were pressed or released. This value may be any combination of the following flags.

If *dwFlags* is not **MOUSEEVENTF_WHEEL**, **MOUSEEVENTF_XDOWN**, or **MOUSEEVENTF_XUP**, then *dwData* should be zero.

VALUE	MEANING
XBUTTON1 0x0001	Set if the first X button was pressed or released.
XBUTTON2 0x0002	Set if the second X button was pressed or released.

[in] *dwExtraInfo*

Type: **ULONG_PTR**

An additional value associated with the mouse event. An application calls [GetMessageExtraInfo](#) to obtain this extra information.

Return value

None

Remarks

If the mouse has moved, indicated by **MOUSEEVENTF_MOVE** being set, *dx* and *dy* hold information about that motion. The information is specified as absolute or relative integer values.

If **MOUSEEVENTF_ABSOLUTE** value is specified, *dx* and *dy* contain normalized absolute coordinates between 0 and 65,535. The event procedure maps these coordinates onto the display surface. Coordinate (0,0) maps onto the upper-left corner of the display surface, (65535,65535) maps onto the lower-right corner.

If the **MOUSEEVENTF_ABSOLUTE** value is not specified, *dx* and *dy* specify relative motions from when the last mouse event was generated (the last reported position). Positive values mean the mouse moved right (or down);

negative values mean the mouse moved left (or up).

Relative mouse motion is subject to the settings for mouse speed and acceleration level. An end user sets these values using the Mouse application in Control Panel. An application obtains and sets these values with the [SystemParametersInfo](#) function.

The system applies two tests to the specified relative mouse motion when applying acceleration. If the specified distance along either the x or y axis is greater than the first mouse threshold value, and the mouse acceleration level is not zero, the operating system doubles the distance. If the specified distance along either the x- or y-axis is greater than the second mouse threshold value, and the mouse acceleration level is equal to two, the operating system doubles the distance that resulted from applying the first threshold test. It is thus possible for the operating system to multiply relatively-specified mouse motion along the x- or y-axis by up to four times.

Once acceleration has been applied, the system scales the resultant value by the desired mouse speed. Mouse speed can range from 1 (slowest) to 20 (fastest) and represents how much the pointer moves based on the distance the mouse moves. The default value is 10, which results in no additional modification to the mouse motion.

The **mouse_event** function is used to synthesize mouse events by applications that need to do so. It is also used by applications that need to obtain more information from the mouse than its position and button state. For example, if a tablet manufacturer wants to pass pen-based information to its own applications, it can write a DLL that communicates directly to the tablet hardware, obtains the extra information, and saves it in a queue. The DLL then calls **mouse_event** with the standard button and x/y position data, along with, in the *dwExtraInfo* parameter, some pointer or index to the queued extra information. When the application needs the extra information, it calls the DLL with the pointer or index stored in *dwExtraInfo*, and the DLL returns the extra information.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetMessageExtraInfo](#)

[Mouse Input](#)

Other Resources

Reference

[SystemParametersInfo](#)

MOUSEINPUT structure (winuser.h)

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Contains information about a simulated mouse event.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagMOUSEINPUT {  
    LONG        dx;  
    LONG        dy;  
    DWORD       mouseData;  
    DWORD       dwFlags;  
    DWORD       time;  
    ULONG_PTR   dwExtraInfo;  
} MOUSEINPUT, *PMOUSEINPUT, *LPMOUSEINPUT;
```

Members

dx

Type: **LONG**

The absolute position of the mouse, or the amount of motion since the last mouse event was generated, depending on the value of the **dwFlags** member. Absolute data is specified as the x coordinate of the mouse; relative data is specified as the number of pixels moved.

dy

Type: **LONG**

The absolute position of the mouse, or the amount of motion since the last mouse event was generated, depending on the value of the **dwFlags** member. Absolute data is specified as the y coordinate of the mouse; relative data is specified as the number of pixels moved.

mouseData

Type: **DWORD**

If **dwFlags** contains **MOUSEEVENTF_WHEEL**, then **mouseData** specifies the amount of wheel movement. A positive value indicates that the wheel was rotated forward, away from the user; a negative value indicates that the wheel was rotated backward, toward the user. One wheel click is defined as **WHEEL_DELTA**, which is 120.

Windows Vista: If **dwFlags** contains **MOUSEEVENTF_HWHEEL**, then **dwData** specifies the amount of wheel movement. A positive value indicates that the wheel was rotated to the right; a negative value indicates that the wheel was rotated to the left. One wheel click is defined as **WHEEL_DELTA**, which is 120.

If **dwFlags** does not contain **MOUSEEVENTF_WHEEL**, **MOUSEEVENTF_XDOWN**, or **MOUSEEVENTF_XUP**, then **mouseData** should be zero.

If **dwFlags** contains **MOUSEEVENTF_XDOWN** or **MOUSEEVENTF_XUP**, then **mouseData** specifies which X buttons were pressed or released. This value may be any combination of the following flags.

VALUE	MEANING
XBUTTON1 0x0001	Set if the first X button is pressed or released.
XBUTTON2 0x0002	Set if the second X button is pressed or released.

dwFlags

Type: **DWORD**

A set of bit flags that specify various aspects of mouse motion and button clicks. The bits in this member can be any reasonable combination of the following values.

The bit flags that specify mouse button status are set to indicate changes in status, not ongoing conditions. For example, if the left mouse button is pressed and held down, **MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTDOWN** is set when the left button is first pressed, but not for subsequent motions. Similarly **MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTUP** is set only when the button is first released.

You cannot specify both the **MOUSEEVENTF_WHEEL** flag and either **MOUSEEVENTF_XDOWN** or **MOUSEEVENTF_XUP** flags simultaneously in the **dwFlags** parameter, because they both require use of the **mouseData** field.

VALUE	MEANING
MOUSEEVENTF_MOVE 0x0001	Movement occurred.
MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTDOWN 0x0002	The left button was pressed.
MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTUP 0x0004	The left button was released.
MOUSEEVENTF_RIGHTDOWN 0x0008	The right button was pressed.
MOUSEEVENTF_RIGHTUP 0x0010	The right button was released.
MOUSEEVENTF_MIDDLEDOWN 0x0020	The middle button was pressed.
MOUSEEVENTF_MIDDLEUP 0x0040	The middle button was released.
MOUSEEVENTF_XDOWN 0x0080	An X button was pressed.
MOUSEEVENTF_XUP 0x0100	An X button was released.
MOUSEEVENTF_WHEEL 0x0800	The wheel was moved, if the mouse has a wheel. The amount of movement is specified in mouseData .

VALUE	MEANING
MOUSEEVENTF_HWHEEL 0x1000	The wheel was moved horizontally, if the mouse has a wheel. The amount of movement is specified in mouseData . Windows XP/2000: This value is not supported.
MOUSEEVENTF_MOVE_NOCOALESCE 0x2000	The WM_MOUSEMOVE messages will not be coalesced. The default behavior is to coalesce WM_MOUSEMOVE messages. Windows XP/2000: This value is not supported.
MOUSEEVENTF_VIRTUALDESK 0x4000	Maps coordinates to the entire desktop. Must be used with MOUSEEVENTF_ABSOLUTE .
MOUSEEVENTF_ABSOLUTE 0x8000	The dx and dy members contain normalized absolute coordinates. If the flag is not set, dx and dy contain relative data (the change in position since the last reported position). This flag can be set, or not set, regardless of what kind of mouse or other pointing device, if any, is connected to the system. For further information about relative mouse motion, see the following Remarks section.

time

Type: **DWORD**

The time stamp for the event, in milliseconds. If this parameter is 0, the system will provide its own time stamp.

dwExtraInfo

Type: **ULONG_PTR**

An additional value associated with the mouse event. An application calls [GetMessageExtraInfo](#) to obtain this extra information.

Remarks

If the mouse has moved, indicated by **MOUSEEVENTF_MOVE**, **dx** and **dy** specify information about that movement. The information is specified as absolute or relative integer values.

If **MOUSEEVENTF_ABSOLUTE** value is specified, **dx** and **dy** contain normalized absolute coordinates between 0 and 65,535. The event procedure maps these coordinates onto the display surface. Coordinate (0,0) maps onto the upper-left corner of the display surface; coordinate (65535,65535) maps onto the lower-right corner. In a multimonitor system, the coordinates map to the primary monitor.

If **MOUSEEVENTF_VIRTUALDESK** is specified, the coordinates map to the entire virtual desktop.

If the **MOUSEEVENTF_ABSOLUTE** value is not specified, **dx** and **dy** specify movement relative to the previous mouse event (the last reported position). Positive values mean the mouse moved right (or down); negative values mean the mouse moved left (or up).

Relative mouse motion is subject to the effects of the mouse speed and the two-mouse threshold values. A user sets these three values with the **Pointer Speed** slider of the Control Panel's **Mouse Properties** sheet. You can obtain and set these values using the [SystemParametersInfo](#) function.

The system applies two tests to the specified relative mouse movement. If the specified distance along either the x or y axis is greater than the first mouse threshold value, and the mouse speed is not zero, the system doubles the distance. If the specified distance along either the x or y axis is greater than the second mouse threshold value, and the mouse speed is equal to two, the system doubles the distance that resulted from applying the first

threshold test. It is thus possible for the system to multiply specified relative mouse movement along the x or y axis by up to four times.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetMessageExtraInfo](#)

[INPUT](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[SendInput](#)

MOUSEMOVEPOINT structure (winuser.h)

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Contains information about the mouse's location in screen coordinates.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagMOUSEMOVEPOINT {  
    int        x;  
    int        y;  
    DWORD      time;  
    ULONG_PTR  dwExtraInfo;  
} MOUSEMOVEPOINT, *PMOUSEMOVEPOINT, *LPMOUSEMOVEPOINT;
```

Members

x

Type: **int**

The x-coordinate of the mouse.

y

Type: **int**

The y-coordinate of the mouse.

time

Type: **DWORD**

The time stamp of the mouse coordinate.

dwExtraInfo

Type: **ULONG_PTR**

Additional information associated with this coordinate.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetMouseMovePointsEx](#)

[Mouse Input](#)

Reference

NEXTRAWINPUTBLOCK macro (winuser.h)

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Retrieves the location of the next structure in an array of [RAWINPUT](#) structures.

Syntax

```
void NEXTRAWINPUTBLOCK(  
    ptr  
);
```

Parameters

ptr

A pointer to a structure in an array of [RAWINPUT](#) structures.

Return value

None

Remarks

This macro is called repeatedly to traverse an array of [RAWINPUT](#) structures.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[RAWINPUT](#)

[Raw Input](#)

Reference

OemKeyScan function (winuser.h)

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Maps OEMASCII codes 0 through 0xFF into the OEM scan codes and shift states. The function provides information that allows a program to send OEM text to another program by simulating keyboard input.

Syntax

```
DWORD OemKeyScan(  
    [in] WORD wOemChar  
);
```

Parameters

[in] wOemChar

Type: **WORD**

The ASCII value of the OEM character.

Return value

Type: **DWORD**

The low-order word of the return value contains the scan code of the OEM character, and the high-order word contains the shift state, which can be a combination of the following bits.

BIT	DESCRIPTION
1	Either SHIFT key is pressed.
2	Either CTRL key is pressed.
4	Either ALT key is pressed.
8	The Hankaku key is pressed.
16	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).
32	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).

If the character cannot be produced by a single keystroke using the current keyboard layout, the return value is

–1.

Remarks

This function does not provide translations for characters that require CTRL+ALT or dead keys. Characters not translated by this function must be copied by simulating input using the ALT+ keypad mechanism. The NUMLOCK key must be off.

This function does not provide translations for characters that cannot be typed with one keystroke using the current keyboard layout, such as characters with diacritics requiring dead keys. Characters not translated by this function may be simulated using the ALT+ keypad mechanism. The NUMLOCK key must be on.

This function is implemented using the [VkKeyScan](#) function.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[VkKeyScan](#)

RAWHID structure (winuser.h)

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Describes the format of the raw input from a Human Interface Device (HID).

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRAWHID {  
    DWORD dwSizeHid;  
    DWORD dwCount;  
    BYTE  bRawData[1];  
} RAWHID, *PRAWHID, *LPRAWHID;
```

Members

dwSizeHid

Type: **DWORD**

The size, in bytes, of each HID input in **bRawData**.

dwCount

Type: **DWORD**

The number of HID inputs in **bRawData**.

bRawData

Type: **BYTE[1]**

The raw input data, as an array of bytes.

Remarks

Each [WM_INPUT](#) can indicate several inputs, but all of the inputs come from the same HID. The size of the **bRawData** array is **dwSizeHid * dwCount**.

For more information, see [Interpreting HID Reports](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[RAWINPUT](#)

[Raw Input](#)

[Introduction to Human Interface Devices \(HID\)](#)

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RAWINPUT structure (winuser.h)

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Contains the raw input from a device.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRAWINPUT {
    RAWINPUTHEADER header;
    union {
        RAWMOUSE    mouse;
        RAWKEYBOARD keyboard;
        RAWHID      hid;
    } data;
} RAWINPUT, *PRAWINPUT, *LPRAWINPUT;
```

Members

header

Type: [RAWINPUTHEADER](#)

The raw input data.

data

data.mouse

Type: [RAWMOUSE](#) If the data comes from a mouse, this is the raw input data.

data.keyboard

Type: [RAWKEYBOARD](#) If the data comes from a keyboard, this is the raw input data.

data.hid

Type: [RAWHID](#) If the data comes from an HID, this is the raw input data.

Remarks

The handle to this structure is passed in the *lParam* parameter of [WM_INPUT](#).

To get detailed information -- such as the header and the content of the raw input -- call [GetRawInputData](#).

To read the [RAWINPUT](#) in the message loop as a buffered read, call [GetRawInputBuffer](#).

To get device specific information, call [GetRawInputDeviceInfo](#) with the *hDevice* from [RAWINPUTHEADER](#).

Raw input is available only when the application calls [RegisterRawInputDevices](#) with valid device specifications.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetRawInputBuffer](#)

[GetRawInputData](#)

[RAWHID](#)

[RAWINPUTHEADER](#)

[RAWKEYBOARD](#)

[RAWMOUSE](#)

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Reference

RAWINPUTDEVICE structure (winuser.h)

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Defines information for the raw input devices.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRAWINPUTDEVICE {
    USHORT usUsagePage;
    USHORT usUsage;
    DWORD  dwFlags;
    HWND   hwndTarget;
} RAWINPUTDEVICE, *PRAWINPUTDEVICE, *LRAWINPUTDEVICE;
```

Members

usUsagePage

Type: **USHORT**

[Top level collection Usage page](#) for the raw input device. See [HID Clients Supported in Windows](#) for details on possible values.

usUsage

Type: **USHORT**

[Top level collection Usage ID](#) for the raw input device. See [HID Clients Supported in Windows](#) for details on possible values.

dwFlags

Type: **DWORD**

Mode flag that specifies how to interpret the information provided by **usUsagePage** and **usUsage**. It can be zero (the default) or one of the following values. By default, the operating system sends raw input from devices with the specified [top level collection](#) (TLC) to the registered application as long as it has the window focus.

VALUE	MEANING
RIDEV_REMOVE 0x00000001	If set, this removes the top level collection from the inclusion list. This tells the operating system to stop reading from a device which matches the top level collection.
RIDEV_EXCLUDE 0x00000010	If set, this specifies the top level collections to exclude when reading a complete usage page. This flag only affects a TLC whose usage page is already specified with RIDEV_PAGEONLY .
RIDEV_PAGEONLY 0x00000020	If set, this specifies all devices whose top level collection is from the specified usUsagePage . Note that usUsage must be zero. To exclude a particular top level collection, use RIDEV_EXCLUDE .

RIDEV_NOLEGACY 0x00000030	If set, this prevents any devices specified by usUsagePage or usUsage from generating legacy messages . This is only for the mouse and keyboard. See Remarks.
RIDEV_INPUTSINK 0x00000100	If set, this enables the caller to receive the input even when the caller is not in the foreground. Note that hwndTarget must be specified.
RIDEV_CAPTUREMOUSE 0x00000200	If set, the mouse button click does not activate the other window. RIDEV_CAPTUREMOUSE can be specified only if RIDEV_NOLEGACY is specified for a mouse device.
RIDEV_NOHOTKEYS 0x00000200	If set, the application-defined keyboard device hotkeys are not handled. However, the system hotkeys; for example, ALT+TAB and CTRL+ALT+DEL, are still handled. By default, all keyboard hotkeys are handled. RIDEV_NOHOTKEYS can be specified even if RIDEV_NOLEGACY is not specified and hwndTarget is NULL .
RIDEV_APPKEYS 0x00000400	If set, the application command keys are handled. RIDEV_APPKEYS can be specified only if RIDEV_NOLEGACY is specified for a keyboard device.
RIDEV_EXINPUTSINK 0x00001000	If set, this enables the caller to receive input in the background only if the foreground application does not process it. In other words, if the foreground application is not registered for raw input, then the background application that is registered will receive the input. Windows XP: This flag is not supported until Windows Vista
RIDEV_DEVNOTIFY 0x00002000	If set, this enables the caller to receive WM_INPUT_DEVICE_CHANGE notifications for device arrival and device removal. Windows XP: This flag is not supported until Windows Vista

hwndTarget

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the target window. If **NULL** it follows the keyboard focus.

Remarks

If **RIDEV_NOLEGACY** is set for a mouse or a keyboard, the system does not generate any legacy message for that device for the application. For example, if the mouse TLC is set with **RIDEV_NOLEGACY**, **WM_LBUTTONDOWN** and [related legacy mouse messages](#) are not generated. Likewise, if the keyboard TLC is set with **RIDEV_NOLEGACY**, **WM_KEYDOWN** and [related legacy keyboard messages](#) are not generated.

If **RIDEV_REMOVE** is set and the **hwndTarget** member is not set to **NULL**, then [RegisterRawInputDevices](#) function will fail.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetRegisteredRawInputDevices](#)

[Raw Input](#)

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RAWINPUTDEVICELIST structure (winuser.h)

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Contains information about a raw input device.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRAWINPUTDEVICELIST {  
    HANDLE hDevice;  
    DWORD  dwType;  
} RAWINPUTDEVICELIST, *PRAWINPUTDEVICELIST;
```

Members

hDevice

Type: **HANDLE**

A handle to the raw input device.

dwType

Type: **DWORD**

The type of device. This can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
RIM_TYPEHID 2	The device is an HID that is not a keyboard and not a mouse.
RIM_TYPEKEYBOARD 1	The device is a keyboard.
RIM_TYPEMOUSE 0	The device is a mouse.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetRawInputDeviceList](#)

[Raw Input](#)

Reference

RAWINPUTHEADER structure (winuser.h)

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Contains the header information that is part of the raw input data.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRAWINPUTHEADER {  
    DWORD    dwType;  
    DWORD    dwSize;  
    HANDLE   hDevice;  
    WPARAM   wParam;  
} RAWINPUTHEADER, *PRAWINPUTHEADER, *LRAWINPUTHEADER;
```

Members

dwType

Type: **DWORD**

The type of raw input. It can be one of the following values:

VALUE	MEANING
RIM_TYPEMOUSE 0	Raw input comes from the mouse.
RIM_TYPEKEYBOARD 1	Raw input comes from the keyboard.
RIM_TYPEHID 2	Raw input comes from some device that is not a keyboard or a mouse.

dwSize

Type: **DWORD**

The size, in bytes, of the entire input packet of data. This includes [RAWINPUT](#) plus possible extra input reports in the [RAWHID](#) variable length array.

hDevice

Type: **HANDLE**

A handle to the device generating the raw input data.

wParam

Type: **WPARAM**

The value passed in the *wParam* parameter of the [WM_INPUT](#) message.

Remarks

To get more information on the device, use **hDevice** in a call to [GetRawInputDeviceInfo](#). **hDevice** can be zero if an input is received from a precision touchpad.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetRawInputDeviceInfo](#)

[RAWINPUT structure](#)

[RAWKEYBOARD structure](#)

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RAWKEYBOARD structure (winuser.h)

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Contains information about the state of the keyboard.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRAWKEYBOARD {
    USHORT MakeCode;
    USHORT Flags;
    USHORT Reserved;
    USHORT VKey;
    UINT Message;
    ULONG ExtraInformation;
} RAWKEYBOARD, *PRAWKEYBOARD, *LPRAWKEYBOARD;
```

Members

MakeCode

Type: **USHORT**

Specifies the scan code (from Scan Code Set 1) associated with a key press. See Remarks.

Flags

Type: **USHORT**

Flags for scan code information. It can be one or more of the following:

VALUE	MEANING
RI_KEY_MAKE 0	The key is down.
RI_KEY_BREAK 1	The key is up.
RI_KEY_E0 2	The scan code has the E0 prefix.
RI_KEY_E1 4	The scan code has the E1 prefix.

Reserved

Type: **USHORT**

Reserved; must be zero.

VKey

Type: **USHORT**

The corresponding [legacy virtual-key code](#).

Message

Type: **UINT**

The corresponding [legacy keyboard window message](#), for example [WM_KEYDOWN](#), [WM_SYSKEYDOWN](#), and so forth.

ExtraInformation

Type: **ULONG**

The device-specific additional information for the event.

Remarks

For a **MakeCode** value [HID client mapper driver](#) converts HID usages into scan codes according to [USB HID to PS/2 Scan Code Translation Table](#) (see **PS/2 Set 1 Make** column).

Older PS/2 keyboards actually transmit Scan Code Set 2 values down the wire from the keyboard to the keyboard port. These values are translated to Scan Code Set 1 by the i8042 port chip. Possible values are listed in [Keyboard Scan Code Specification](#) (see **Scan Code Table**).

KEYBOARD_OVERRUN_MAKE_CODE is a special **MakeCode** value sent when an invalid or unrecognizable combination of keys is pressed or the number of keys pressed exceeds the limit for this keyboard.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetRawInputDeviceInfo](#)

[RAWINPUT](#)

[Raw Input](#)

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Reference

[USB HID to PS/2 Scan Code Translation Table](#)

[PS/2 Keyboard Scan Code Specification](#)

[KEYBOARD_INPUT_DATA](#) structure

RAWMOUSE structure (winuser.h)

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Contains information about the state of the mouse.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRAWMOUSE {
    USHORT usFlags;
    union {
        ULONG ulButtons;
        struct {
            USHORT usButtonFlags;
            USHORT usButtonData;
        } DUMMYSTRUCTNAME;
    } DUMMYUNIONNAME;
    ULONG ulRawButtons;
    LONG lLastX;
    LONG lLastY;
    ULONG ulExtraInformation;
} RAWMOUSE, *PRAWMOUSE, *LPRAWMOUSE;
```

Members

usFlags

Type: USHORT

The mouse state. This member can be any reasonable combination of the following.

VALUE	MEANING
MOUSE_MOVE_RELATIVE 0x00	Mouse movement data is relative to the last mouse position. For further information about mouse motion, see the following Remarks section.
MOUSE_MOVE_ABSOLUTE 0x01	Mouse movement data is based on absolute position. For further information about mouse motion, see the following Remarks section.
MOUSE_VIRTUAL_DESKTOP 0x02	Mouse coordinates are mapped to the virtual desktop (for a multiple monitor system). For further information about mouse motion, see the following Remarks section.
MOUSE_ATTRIBUTES_CHANGED 0x04	Mouse attributes changed; application needs to query the mouse attributes.
MOUSE_MOVE_NOCOALESCE 0x08	This mouse movement event was not coalesced. Mouse movement events can be coalesced by default. Windows XP/2000: This value is not supported.

DUMMYUNIONNAME

DUMMYUNIONNAME.ulButtons

Type: **ULONG**

Reserved.

DUMMYUNIONNAME.DUMMYSTRUCTNAME

DUMMYUNIONNAME.DUMMYSTRUCTNAME.usButtonFlags

Type: **USHORT**

The transition state of the mouse buttons. This member can be one or more of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_1_DOWN RI_MOUSE_LEFT_BUTTON_DOWN 0x0001	Left button changed to down.
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_1_UP RI_MOUSE_LEFT_BUTTON_UP 0x0002	Left button changed to up.
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_2_DOWN RI_MOUSE_RIGHT_BUTTON_DOWN 0x0004	Right button changed to down.
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_2_UP RI_MOUSE_RIGHT_BUTTON_UP 0x0008	Right button changed to up.
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_3_DOWN RI_MOUSE_MIDDLE_BUTTON_DOWN 0x0010	Middle button changed to down.
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_3_UP RI_MOUSE_MIDDLE_BUTTON_UP 0x0020	Middle button changed to up.
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_4_DOWN 0x0040	XBUTTON1 changed to down.
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_4_UP 0x0080	XBUTTON1 changed to up.
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_5_DOWN 0x0100	XBUTTON2 changed to down.
RI_MOUSE_BUTTON_5_UP 0x0200	XBUTTON2 changed to up.
RI_MOUSE_WHEEL 0x0400	Raw input comes from a mouse wheel. The wheel delta is stored in usButtonData . A positive value indicates that the wheel was rotated forward, away from the user; a negative value indicates that the wheel was rotated backward, toward the user. For further information see the following Remarks section.

VALUE	MEANING
RI_MOUSE_HWHEEL 0x0800	Raw input comes from a horizontal mouse wheel. The wheel delta is stored in usButtonData . A positive value indicates that the wheel was rotated to the right; a negative value indicates that the wheel was rotated to the left. For further information see the following Remarks section. Windows XP/2000: This value is not supported.

DUMMYUNIONNAME.DUMMYSTRUCTNAME.usButtonData

Type: **USHORT**

If **usButtonFlags** has **RI_MOUSE_WHEEL** or **RI_MOUSE_HWHEEL**, this member specifies the distance the wheel is rotated. For further information see the following Remarks section.

ulRawButtons

Type: **ULONG**

The raw state of the mouse buttons. The Win32 subsystem does not use this member.

lLastX

Type: **LONG**

The motion in the X direction. This is signed relative motion or absolute motion, depending on the value of **usFlags**.

lLastY

Type: **LONG**

The motion in the Y direction. This is signed relative motion or absolute motion, depending on the value of **usFlags**.

ulExtraInformation

Type: **ULONG**

The device-specific additional information for the event.

Remarks

If the mouse has moved, indicated by **MOUSE_MOVE_RELATIVE** or **MOUSE_MOVE_ABSOLUTE**, **lLastX** and **lLastY** specify information about that movement. The information is specified as relative or absolute integer values.

If **MOUSE_MOVE_RELATIVE** value is specified, **lLastX** and **lLastY** specify movement relative to the previous mouse event (the last reported position). Positive values mean the mouse moved right (or down); negative values mean the mouse moved left (or up).

If **MOUSE_MOVE_ABSOLUTE** value is specified, **lLastX** and **lLastY** contain normalized absolute coordinates between 0 and 65,535. Coordinate (0,0) maps onto the upper-left corner of the display surface; coordinate (65535,65535) maps onto the lower-right corner. In a multimonitor system, the coordinates map to the primary monitor.

If **MOUSE_VIRTUAL_DESKTOP** is specified in addition to **MOUSE_MOVE_ABSOLUTE**, the coordinates map to the entire virtual desktop.

```

if ((rawMouse.usFlags & MOUSE_MOVE_ABSOLUTE) == MOUSE_MOVE_ABSOLUTE)
{
    bool isVirtualDesktop = (rawMouse.usFlags & MOUSE_VIRTUAL_DESKTOP) == MOUSE_VIRTUAL_DESKTOP;

    int width = GetSystemMetrics(isVirtualDesktop ? SM_CXVIRTUALSCREEN : SM_CXSCREEN);
    int height = GetSystemMetrics(isVirtualDesktop ? SM_CYVIRTUALSCREEN : SM_CYSCREEN);

    int absoluteX = int((rawMouse.lLastX / 65535.0f) * width);
    int absoluteY = int((rawMouse.lLastY / 65535.0f) * height);
}
else if (rawMouse.lLastX != 0 || rawMouse.lLastY != 0)
{
    int relativeX = rawMouse.lLastX;
    int relativeY = rawMouse.lLastY;
}

```

In contrast to legacy [WM_MOUSEMOVE](#) window messages Raw Input mouse events is not subject to the effects of the mouse speed set in the Control Panel's **Mouse Properties** sheet. See [About Mouse Input](#) for details.

If mouse wheel is moved, indicated by `RI_MOUSE_WHEEL` or `RI_MOUSE_HWHEEL` in `usButtonFlags`, then `usButtonData` contains a signed **short** value that specifies the distance the wheel is rotated.

The wheel rotation will be a multiple of `WHEEL_DELTA`, which is set at 120. This is the threshold for action to be taken, and one such action (for example, scrolling one increment) should occur for each delta.

The delta was set to 120 to allow Microsoft or other vendors to build finer-resolution wheels (a freely-rotating wheel with no notches) to send more messages per rotation, but with a smaller value in each message. To use this feature, you can either add the incoming delta values until `WHEEL_DELTA` is reached (so for a delta-rotation you get the same response), or scroll partial lines in response to the more frequent messages. You can also choose your scroll granularity and accumulate deltas until it is reached.

The application could also retrieve the current lines-to-scroll and characters-to-scroll user setting by using the [SystemParametersInfo](#) API with `SPI_GETWHEELSCROLLLINES` or `SPI_GETWHEELSCROLLCHARS` parameter.

Here is example of such wheel handling code:


```

if ((rawMouse.usButtonFlags & RI_MOUSE_WHEEL) == RI_MOUSE_WHEEL ||
    (rawMouse.usButtonFlags & RI_MOUSE_HWHEEL) == RI_MOUSE_HWHEEL)
{
    static const unsigned long defaultScrollLinesPerWheelDelta = 3;
    static const unsigned long defaultScrollCharsPerWheelDelta = 1;

    float wheelDelta = (float)(short)rawMouse.usButtonData;
    float numTicks = wheelDelta / WHEEL_DELTA;

    bool isHorizontalScroll = (rawMouse.usButtonFlags & RI_MOUSE_HWHEEL) == RI_MOUSE_HWHEEL;
    bool isScrollByPage = false;
    float scrollDelta = numTicks;

    if (isHorizontalScroll)
    {
        unsigned long scrollChars = defaultScrollCharsPerWheelDelta;
        SystemParametersInfo(SPI_GETWHEELSCROLLCHARS, 0, &scrollChars, 0);
        scrollDelta *= scrollChars;
    }
    else
    {
        unsigned long scrollLines = defaultScrollLinesPerWheelDelta;
        SystemParametersInfo(SPI_GETWHEELSCROLLLINES, 0, &scrollLines, 0);
        if (scrollLines == WHEEL_PAGESCROLL)
            isScrollByPage = true;
        else
            scrollDelta *= scrollLines;
    }
}

```

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetRawInputDeviceInfo](#)

[RAWINPUT](#)

[Raw Input](#)

Reference

[MOUSEINPUT structure](#)

[SendInput function](#)

[MOUSE_INPUT_DATA structure](#)

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RegisterForTooltipDismissNotification function (winuser.h)

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Registers or unregisters windows to receive notification to dismiss their tooltip windows.

Syntax

```
BOOL RegisterForTooltipDismissNotification(  
    HWND hWnd,  
    TOOLTIP_DISMISS_FLAGS tdFlags  
);
```

Parameters

hWnd

Type: **HWND**

The handle of the window to receive the **WM_TOOLTIPDISMISS** message.

tdFlags

Type: **TOOLTIP_DISMISS_FLAGS**

A value of the enumeration that specifies whether the function registers or unregisters the window.

TDF_REGISTER to register; **TDF_UNREGISTER** to unregister.

Return value

TRUE if the window was successfully registered or unregistered; otherwise, **FALSE**. (See Remarks.)

Remarks

This function makes tooltips more accessible by letting apps and frameworks that support tooltips register and unregister to be notified by a **WM_TOOLTIPDISMISS** message when the system requires all showing tooltips to be dismissed.

Apps should register for this notification each time they show a tooltip and hide their tooltips in response to a **WM_TOOLTIPDISMISS** message. When a tooltip is hidden for some other reason, like a mouse action, the app should unregister.

System-defined triggers for tooltip dismissal include a solitary Ctrl key up or Ctrl+Shift+F10. (The set of triggers may change over time.)

The function takes either the **HWND** of a tooltip window or the **HWND** of an app window that has child tooltips.

- If a tooltip **HWND** itself is registered, the tooltip window is expected to register upon showing and to dismiss upon receiving a **WM_TOOLTIPDISMISS** message.
- If an app **HWND** registers on behalf of its tooltips, the app's window is expected to register upon showing tooltips and dismiss all of its tooltips upon receiving a **WM_TOOLTIPDISMISS** message.

Tooltip or app windows are expected to call the function each time tooltips are shown. Registered windows are automatically unregistered upon posting **WM_TOOLTIPDISMISS**.

The **TDF_UNREGISTER** flag is used to explicitly unregister a window when a tooltip window is dismissed by application or framework prerogative (such as moving the cursor out of the "safe zone"). If an app or framework calls `RegisterForTooltipDismissNotification` with **TDF_UNREGISTER** after the window has been automatically unregistered, the function returns **FALSE**. There is no impact on future registrations.

Return values

The HWND passed into the function must be owned by the calling process; otherwise, the function returns **FALSE**.

When called with **TDF_REGISTER** and a window belonging to the calling process, the function returns **TRUE** if the window was successfully registered or **FALSE** if the window was already registered. The window is treated as registered either way.

When called with **TDF_UNREGISTER** and a windows belonging to the calling process, the function returns **TRUE** if the window is successfully unregistered, or **FALSE** if the windows was not currently registered. The window is treated as unregistered either way.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 11 Build 22621
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h
Library	user32.lib

See also

[Tooltip](#)

RegisterHotKey function (winuser.h)

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Defines a system-wide hot key.

Syntax

```
BOOL RegisterHotKey(  
    [in, optional] HWND hWnd,  
    [in]           int  id,  
    [in]           UINT fsModifiers,  
    [in]           UINT vk  
);
```

Parameters

[in, optional] hWnd

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the window that will receive **WM_HOTKEY** messages generated by the hot key. If this parameter is **NULL**, **WM_HOTKEY** messages are posted to the message queue of the calling thread and must be processed in the message loop.

[in] id

Type: **int**

The identifier of the hot key. If the *hWnd* parameter is **NULL**, then the hot key is associated with the current thread rather than with a particular window. If a hot key already exists with the same *hWnd* and *id* parameters, see Remarks for the action taken.

[in] fsModifiers

Type: **UINT**

The keys that must be pressed in combination with the key specified by the *uVirtKey* parameter in order to generate the **WM_HOTKEY** message. The *fsModifiers* parameter can be a combination of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
MOD_ALT 0x0001	Either ALT key must be held down.
MOD_CONTROL 0x0002	Either CTRL key must be held down.
MOD_NOREPEAT 0x4000	Changes the hotkey behavior so that the keyboard auto-repeat does not yield multiple hotkey notifications. Windows Vista: This flag is not supported.

MOD_SHIFT 0x0004	Either SHIFT key must be held down.
MOD_WIN 0x0008	Either WINDOWS key was held down. These keys are labeled with the Windows logo. Keyboard shortcuts that involve the WINDOWS key are reserved for use by the operating system.

[in] vk

Type: **UINT**

The virtual-key code of the hot key. See [Virtual Key Codes](#).

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

When a key is pressed, the system looks for a match against all hot keys. Upon finding a match, the system posts the [WM_HOTKEY](#) message to the message queue of the window with which the hot key is associated. If the hot key is not associated with a window, then the **WM_HOTKEY** message is posted to the thread associated with the hot key.

This function cannot associate a hot key with a window created by another thread.

RegisterHotKey fails if the keystrokes specified for the hot key have already been registered by another hot key.

If a hot key already exists with the same *hWnd* and *id* parameters, it is maintained along with the new hot key. The application must explicitly call [UnregisterHotKey](#) to unregister the old hot key.

Windows Server 2003: If a hot key already exists with the same *hWnd* and *id* parameters, it is replaced by the new hot key.

The F12 key is reserved for use by the debugger at all times, so it should not be registered as a hot key. Even when you are not debugging an application, F12 is reserved in case a kernel-mode debugger or a just-in-time debugger is resident.

An application must specify an *id* value in the range 0x0000 through 0xBFFF. A shared DLL must specify a value in the range 0xC000 through 0xFFFF (the range returned by the [GlobalAddAtom](#) function). To avoid conflicts with hot-key identifiers defined by other shared DLLs, a DLL should use the **GlobalAddAtom** function to obtain the hot-key identifier.

Examples

The following example shows how to use the **RegisterHotKey** function with the **MOD_NOREPEAT** flag. In this example, the hotkey 'ALT+b' is registered for the main thread. When the hotkey is pressed, the thread will receive a [WM_HOTKEY](#) message, which will get picked up in the [GetMessage](#) call. Because this example uses **MOD_ALT** with the **MOD_NOREPEAT** value for *fsModifiers*, the thread will only receive another **WM_HOTKEY** message when the 'b' key is released and then pressed again while the 'ALT' key is being pressed down.

```

#include "stdafx.h"

int _cdecl _tmain (
    int argc,
    TCHAR *argv[])
{
    if (RegisterHotKey(
        NULL,
        1,
        MOD_ALT | MOD_NOREPEAT,
        0x42)) //0x42 is 'b'
    {
        _tprintf(_T("Hotkey 'ALT+b' registered, using MOD_NOREPEAT flag\n"));
    }

    MSG msg = {0};
    while (GetMessage(&msg, NULL, 0, 0) != 0)
    {
        if (msg.message == WM_HOTKEY)
        {
            _tprintf(_T("WM_HOTKEY received\n"));
        }
    }

    return 0;
}

```

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows Vista [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GlobalAddAtom](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[Register hotkey for the current app \(CSRegisterHotkey\)](#)

[Register hotkey for the current app \(CppRegisterHotkey\)](#)

[Register hotkey for the current app \(VBRegisterHotkey\)](#)

Samples

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RegisterRawInputDevices function (winuser.h)

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Registers the devices that supply the raw input data.

Syntax

```
BOOL RegisterRawInputDevices(  
    [in] PCRAWINPUTDEVICE pRawInputDevices,  
    [in] UINT              uiNumDevices,  
    [in] UINT              cbSize  
);
```

Parameters

[in] pRawInputDevices

Type: **PCRAWINPUTDEVICE**

An array of **RAWINPUTDEVICE** structures that represent the devices that supply the raw input.

[in] uiNumDevices

Type: **UINT**

The number of **RAWINPUTDEVICE** structures pointed to by *pRawInputDevices*.

[in] cbSize

Type: **UINT**

The size, in bytes, of a **RAWINPUTDEVICE** structure.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

TRUE if the function succeeds; otherwise, **FALSE**. If the function fails, call [GetLastError](#) for more information.

Remarks

To receive **WM_INPUT** messages, an application must first register the raw input devices using **RegisterRawInputDevices**. By default, an application does not receive raw input.

To receive **WM_INPUT_DEVICE_CHANGE** messages, an application must specify the **RIDEV_DEVNOTIFY** flag for each device class that is specified by the **usUsagePage** and **usUsage** fields of the **RAWINPUTDEVICE** structure. By default, an application does not receive **WM_INPUT_DEVICE_CHANGE** notifications for raw input device arrival and removal.

If a **RAWINPUTDEVICE** structure has the **RIDEV_REMOVE** flag set and the **hwndTarget** parameter is not set to **NULL**, then parameter validation will fail.

Only one window per raw input device class may be registered to receive raw input within a process (the window passed in the last call to **RegisterRawInputDevices**). Because of this, **RegisterRawInputDevices** should

not be used from a library, as it may interfere with any raw input processing logic already present in applications that load it.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-rawinput-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

Conceptual

[RAWINPUTDEVICE](#)

[Raw Input](#)

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[WM_INPUT](#)

ReleaseCapture function (winuser.h)

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Releases the mouse capture from a window in the current thread and restores normal mouse input processing. A window that has captured the mouse receives all mouse input, regardless of the position of the cursor, except when a mouse button is clicked while the cursor hot spot is in the window of another thread.

Syntax

```
BOOL ReleaseCapture();
```

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

An application calls this function after calling the [SetCapture](#) function.

Examples

For an example, see [Drawing Lines with the Mouse](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-mouse-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 8)

See also

Conceptual

[GetCapture](#)

[Mouse Input](#)

Reference

[SetCapture](#)

[WM_CAPTURECHANGED](#)

RID_DEVICE_INFO structure (winuser.h)

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Defines the raw input data coming from any device.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRID_DEVICE_INFO {
    DWORD cbSize;
    DWORD dwType;
    union {
        RID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE mouse;
        RID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD keyboard;
        RID_DEVICE_INFO_HID hid;
    } DUMMYUNIONNAME;
} RID_DEVICE_INFO, *PRID_DEVICE_INFO, *LPRID_DEVICE_INFO;
```

Members

cbSize

Type: **DWORD**

The size, in bytes, of the **RID_DEVICE_INFO** structure.

dwType

Type: **DWORD**

The type of raw input data. This member can be one of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
RIM_TYPEMOUSE 0	Data comes from a mouse.
RIM_TYPEKEYBOARD 1	Data comes from a keyboard.
RIM_TYPEHID 2	Data comes from an HID that is not a keyboard or a mouse.

DUMMYUNIONNAME

DUMMYUNIONNAME.mouse

Type: **RID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE**

If **dwType** is **RIM_TYPEMOUSE**, this is the **RID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE** structure that defines the mouse.

DUMMYUNIONNAME.keyboard

Type: [RID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD](#)

If `dwType` is `RIM_TYPEKEYBOARD`, this is the [RID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD](#) structure that defines the keyboard.

DUMMYUNIONNAME.hid

Type: [RID_DEVICE_INFO_HID](#)

If `dwType` is `RIM_TYPEHID`, this is the [RID_DEVICE_INFO_HID](#) structure that defines the HID device.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[GetRawInputDeviceInfo](#)

[RID_DEVICE_INFO_HID](#)

[RID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD](#)

[RID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE](#)

[Raw Input](#)

Reference

RID_DEVICE_INFO_HID structure (winuser.h)

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Defines the raw input data coming from the specified Human Interface Device (HID).

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRID_DEVICE_INFO_HID {  
    DWORD    dwVendorId;  
    DWORD    dwProductId;  
    DWORD    dwVersionNumber;  
    USHORT   usUsagePage;  
    USHORT   usUsage;  
} RID_DEVICE_INFO_HID, *PRID_DEVICE_INFO_HID;
```

Members

dwVendorId

Type: **DWORD**

The vendor identifier for the HID.

dwProductId

Type: **DWORD**

The product identifier for the HID.

dwVersionNumber

Type: **DWORD**

The version number for the HID.

usUsagePage

Type: **USHORT**

The top-level collection Usage Page for the device.

usUsage

Type: **USHORT**

The top-level collection Usage for the device.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]

Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[RID_DEVICE_INFO](#)

[Raw Input](#)

Reference

RID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD structure (winuser.h)

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Defines the raw input data coming from the specified keyboard.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD {  
    DWORD dwType;  
    DWORD dwSubType;  
    DWORD dwKeyboardMode;  
    DWORD dwNumberOfFunctionKeys;  
    DWORD dwNumberOfIndicators;  
    DWORD dwNumberOfKeysTotal;  
} RID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD, *PRID_DEVICE_INFO_KEYBOARD;
```

Members

dwType

Type: **DWORD**

The type of keyboard. See [Remarks](#).

VALUE	DESCRIPTION
0x4	Enhanced 101- or 102-key keyboards (and compatibles)
0x7	Japanese Keyboard
0x8	Korean Keyboard
0x51	Unknown type or HID keyboard

dwSubType

Type: **DWORD**

The vendor-specific subtype of the keyboard. See [Remarks](#).

dwKeyboardMode

Type: **DWORD**

The scan code mode. Usually 1, which means that *Scan Code Set 1* is used. See [Keyboard Scan Code Specification](#).

dwNumberOfFunctionKeys

Type: **DWORD**

The number of function keys on the keyboard.

dwNumberOfIndicators

Type: **DWORD**

The number of LED indicators on the keyboard.

`dwNumberOfKeysTotal`

Type: **DWORD**

The total number of keys on the keyboard.

Remarks

For information about keyboard types, subtypes, scan code modes, and related keyboard layouts, see the documentation in *kbd.h*, *ntdd8042.h* and *ntddkbd.h* headers in Windows SDK, and the [Keyboard Layout Samples](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[RID_DEVICE_INFO](#)

[Raw Input](#)

Reference

[KEYBOARD_ATTRIBUTES structure](#)

RID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE structure (winuser.h)

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Defines the raw input data coming from the specified mouse.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagRID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE {  
    DWORD dwId;  
    DWORD dwNumberOfButtons;  
    DWORD dwSampleRate;  
    BOOL fHasHorizontalWheel;  
} RID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE, *PRID_DEVICE_INFO_MOUSE;
```

Members

dwId

Type: **DWORD**

The bitfield of the mouse device identification properties:

VALUE	NTDDMOU.H CONSTANT	DESCRIPTION
0x0080	MOUSE_HID_HARDWARE	HID mouse
0x0100	WHEELMOUSE_HID_HARDWARE	HID wheel mouse
0x8000	HORIZONTAL_WHEEL_PRESENT	Mouse with horizontal wheel

dwNumberOfButtons

Type: **DWORD**

The number of buttons for the mouse.

dwSampleRate

Type: **DWORD**

The number of data points per second. This information may not be applicable for every mouse device.

fHasHorizontalWheel

Type: **BOOL**

TRUE if the mouse has a wheel for horizontal scrolling; otherwise, **FALSE**.

Windows XP: This member is only supported starting with Windows Vista.

Remarks

For the mouse, the Usage Page is 1 and the Usage is 2.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows XP [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows Server 2003 [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

Conceptual

[RID_DEVICE_INFO](#)

[Raw Input](#)

Reference

SendInput function (winuser.h)

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Synthesizes keystrokes, mouse motions, and button clicks.

Syntax

```
UINT SendInput(  
    [in] UINT      cInputs,  
    [in] LPINPUT   pInputs,  
    [in] int       cbSize  
);
```

Parameters

[in] cInputs

Type: **UINT**

The number of structures in the *pInputs* array.

[in] pInputs

Type: **LPINPUT**

An array of **INPUT** structures. Each structure represents an event to be inserted into the keyboard or mouse input stream.

[in] cbSize

Type: **int**

The size, in bytes, of an **INPUT** structure. If *cbSize* is not the size of an **INPUT** structure, the function fails.

Return value

Type: **UINT**

The function returns the number of events that it successfully inserted into the keyboard or mouse input stream. If the function returns zero, the input was already blocked by another thread. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

This function fails when it is blocked by UIPI. Note that neither [GetLastError](#) nor the return value will indicate the failure was caused by UIPI blocking.

Remarks

This function is subject to UIPI. Applications are permitted to inject input only into applications that are at an equal or lesser integrity level.

The **SendInput** function inserts the events in the **INPUT** structures serially into the keyboard or mouse input stream. These events are not interspersed with other keyboard or mouse input events inserted either by the user (with the keyboard or mouse) or by calls to [keybd_event](#), [mouse_event](#), or other calls to **SendInput**.

This function does not reset the keyboard's current state. Any keys that are already pressed when the function is called might interfere with the events that this function generates. To avoid this problem, check the keyboard's state with the [GetAsyncKeyState](#) function and correct as necessary.

Because the touch keyboard uses the surrogate macros defined in winnls.h to send input to the system, a listener on the keyboard event hook must decode input originating from the touch keyboard. For more information, see [Surrogates and Supplementary Characters](#).

An accessibility application can use **SendInput** to inject keystrokes corresponding to application launch shortcut keys that are handled by the shell. This functionality is not guaranteed to work for other types of applications.

Example

```
//*****  
//  
// Sends Win + D to toggle to the desktop  
//  
//*****  
void ShowDesktop()  
{  
    OutputString(L"Sending 'Win-D'\r\n");  
    INPUT inputs[4] = {};  
    ZeroMemory(inputs, sizeof(inputs));  
  
    inputs[0].type = INPUT_KEYBOARD;  
    inputs[0].ki.wVk = VK_LWIN;  
  
    inputs[1].type = INPUT_KEYBOARD;  
    inputs[1].ki.wVk = VK_D;  
  
    inputs[2].type = INPUT_KEYBOARD;  
    inputs[2].ki.wVk = VK_D;  
    inputs[2].ki.dwFlags = KEYEVENTF_KEYUP;  
  
    inputs[3].type = INPUT_KEYBOARD;  
    inputs[3].ki.wVk = VK_LWIN;  
    inputs[3].ki.dwFlags = KEYEVENTF_KEYUP;  
  
    UINT uSent = SendInput(ARRAYSIZE(inputs), inputs, sizeof(INPUT));  
    if (uSent != ARRAYSIZE(inputs))  
    {  
        OutputString(L"SendInput failed: 0x%x\n", HRESULT_FROM_WIN32(GetLastError()));  
    }  
}
```

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[INPUT](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[Surrogates and Supplementary Characters](#)

[keybd_event](#)

[mouse_event](#)

SetActiveWindow function (winuser.h)

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Activates a window. The window must be attached to the calling thread's message queue.

Syntax

```
HWND SetActiveWindow(  
    [in] HWND hWnd  
);
```

Parameters

[in] hWnd

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the top-level window to be activated.

Return value

Type: **HWND**

If the function succeeds, the return value is the handle to the window that was previously active.

If the function fails, the return value is **NULL**. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The **SetActiveWindow** function activates a window, but not if the application is in the background. The window will be brought into the foreground (top of [Z-Order](#)) if its application is in the foreground when the system activates the window.

If the window identified by the *hWnd* parameter was created by the calling thread, the active window status of the calling thread is set to *hWnd*. Otherwise, the active window status of the calling thread is set to **NULL**.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib

DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-window-l1-1-4 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

Conceptual

[GetActiveWindow](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[SetForegroundWindow](#)

[WM_ACTIVATE](#)

SetCapture function (winuser.h)

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Sets the mouse capture to the specified window belonging to the current thread. **SetCapture** captures mouse input either when the mouse is over the capturing window, or when the mouse button was pressed while the mouse was over the capturing window and the button is still down. Only one window at a time can capture the mouse.

If the mouse cursor is over a window created by another thread, the system will direct mouse input to the specified window only if a mouse button is down.

Syntax

```
HWND SetCapture(  
    [in] HWND hWnd  
);
```

Parameters

[in] hWnd

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the window in the current thread that is to capture the mouse.

Return value

Type: **HWND**

The return value is a handle to the window that had previously captured the mouse. If there is no such window, the return value is **NULL**.

Remarks

Only the foreground window can capture the mouse. When a background window attempts to do so, the window receives messages only for mouse events that occur when the cursor hot spot is within the visible portion of the window. Also, even if the foreground window has captured the mouse, the user can still click another window, bringing it to the foreground.

When the window no longer requires all mouse input, the thread that created the window should call the [ReleaseCapture](#) function to release the mouse.

This function cannot be used to capture mouse input meant for another process.

When the mouse is captured, menu hotkeys and other keyboard accelerators do not work.

Examples

For an example, see [Drawing Lines with the Mouse](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-mouse-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 8)

See also

Conceptual

[GetCapture](#)

[Mouse Input](#)

Reference

[ReleaseCapture](#)

[WM_CAPTURECHANGED](#)

SetDoubleClickTime function (winuser.h)

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Sets the double-click time for the mouse. A double-click is a series of two clicks of a mouse button, the second occurring within a specified time after the first. The double-click time is the maximum number of milliseconds that may occur between the first and second clicks of a double-click.

Syntax

```
BOOL SetDoubleClickTime(  
    [in] UINT unnamedParam1  
);
```

Parameters

[in] unnamedParam1

Type: **UINT**

The number of milliseconds that may occur between the first and second clicks of a double-click. If this parameter is set to 0, the system uses the default double-click time of 500 milliseconds. If this parameter value is greater than 5000 milliseconds, the system sets the value to 5000 milliseconds.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The **SetDoubleClickTime** function alters the double-click time for all windows in the system.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-mouse-l1-1-1 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

Conceptual

[GetDoubleClickTime](#)

[Mouse Input](#)

Reference

SetFocus function (winuser.h)

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Sets the keyboard focus to the specified window. The window must be attached to the calling thread's message queue.

Syntax

```
HWND SetFocus(  
    [in, optional] HWND hWnd  
);
```

Parameters

[in, optional] hWnd

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the window that will receive the keyboard input. If this parameter is NULL, keystrokes are ignored.

Return value

Type: **HWND**

If the function succeeds, the return value is the handle to the window that previously had the keyboard focus. If the *hWnd* parameter is invalid or the window is not attached to the calling thread's message queue, the return value is NULL. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError function](#).

Extended error ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER (0x57) means that window is in disabled state.

Remarks

This function sends a [WM_KILLFOCUS](#) message to the window that loses the keyboard focus and a [WM_SETFOCUS](#) message to the window that receives the keyboard focus. It also activates either the window that receives the focus or the parent of the window that receives the focus.

If a window is active but does not have the focus, any key pressed produces the [WM_SYSCHAR](#), [WM_SYSKEYDOWN](#), or [WM_SYSKEYUP](#) message. If the VK_MENU key is also pressed, bit 30 of the *lParam* parameter of the message is set. Otherwise, the messages produced do not have this bit set.

By using the [AttachThreadInput function](#), a thread can attach its input processing to another thread. This allows a thread to call SetFocus to set the keyboard focus to a window attached to another thread's message queue.

Examples

For an example, see [Initializing a Dialog Box](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]

Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-window-l1-1-4 (introduced in Windows 10, version 10.0.14393)

See also

[AttachThreadInput function](#), [GetFocus function](#), [WM_KILLFOCUS](#), [WM_SETFOCUS](#), [WM_SYSCHAR](#), [WM_SYSKEYDOWN](#), [WM_SYSKEYUP](#), [Keyboard Input](#)

SetKeyboardState function (winuser.h)

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Copies an array of keyboard key states into the calling thread's keyboard input-state table. This is the same table accessed by the [GetKeyboardState](#) and [GetKeyState](#) functions. Changes made to this table do not affect keyboard input to any other thread.

Syntax

```
BOOL SetKeyboardState(  
    [in] LPBYTE lpKeyState  
);
```

Parameters

[in] lpKeyState

Type: LPBYTE

A pointer to a 256-byte array that contains keyboard key states.

Return value

Type: BOOL

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

Because the **SetKeyboardState** function alters the input state of the calling thread and not the global input state of the system, an application cannot use **SetKeyboardState** to set the NUM LOCK, CAPS LOCK, or SCROLL LOCK (or the Japanese KANA) indicator lights on the keyboard. These can be set or cleared using [SendInput](#) to simulate keystrokes.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib

DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[MapVirtualKey](#)

Reference

[SendInput](#)

[keybd_event](#)

SwapMouseButton function (winuser.h)

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Reverses or restores the meaning of the left and right mouse buttons.

Syntax

```
BOOL SwapMouseButton(  
    [in] BOOL fSwap  
);
```

Parameters

[in] fSwap

Type: **BOOL**

If this parameter is **TRUE**, the left button generates right-button messages and the right button generates left-button messages. If this parameter is **FALSE**, the buttons are restored to their original meanings.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the meaning of the mouse buttons was reversed previously, before the function was called, the return value is nonzero.

If the meaning of the mouse buttons was not reversed, the return value is zero.

Remarks

Button swapping is provided as a convenience to people who use the mouse with their left hands. The **SwapMouseButton** function is usually called by Control Panel only. Although an application is free to call the function, the mouse is a shared resource and reversing the meaning of its buttons affects all applications.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[Mouse Input](#)

Reference

[SetDoubleClickTime](#)

ToAscii function (winuser.h)

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Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding character or characters. The function translates the code using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the keyboard layout handle.

To specify a handle to the keyboard layout to use to translate the specified code, use the [ToAsciiEx](#) function.

Syntax

```
int ToAscii(  
    [in]          UINT          uVirtKey,  
    [in]          UINT          uScanCode,  
    [in, optional] const BYTE *lpKeyState,  
    [out]          LPWORD       lpChar,  
    [in]          UINT          uFlags  
);
```

Parameters

[in] uVirtKey

Type: **UINT**

The virtual-key code to be translated. See [Virtual-Key Codes](#).

[in] uScanCode

Type: **UINT**

The hardware scan code of the key to be translated. The high-order bit of this value is set if the key is up (not pressed).

[in, optional] lpKeyState

Type: **const BYTE***

A pointer to a 256-byte array that contains the current keyboard state. Each element (byte) in the array contains the state of one key. If the high-order bit of a byte is set, the key is down (pressed).

The low bit, if set, indicates that the key is toggled on. In this function, only the toggle bit of the CAPS LOCK key is relevant. The toggle state of the NUM LOCK and SCROLL LOCK keys is ignored.

[out] lpChar

Type: **LPWORD**

The buffer that receives the translated character or characters.

[in] uFlags

Type: **UINT**

This parameter must be 1 if a menu is active, or 0 otherwise.

Return value

Type: `int`

If the specified key is a dead key, the return value is negative. Otherwise, it is one of the following values.

RETURN VALUE	DESCRIPTION
0	The specified virtual key has no translation for the current state of the keyboard.
1	One character was copied to the buffer.
2	Two characters were copied to the buffer. This usually happens when a dead-key character (accent or diacritic) stored in the keyboard layout cannot be composed with the specified virtual key to form a single character.

Remarks

The parameters supplied to the **ToAscii** function might not be sufficient to translate the virtual-key code, because a previous dead key is stored in the keyboard layout.

Typically, **ToAscii** performs the translation based on the virtual-key code. In some cases, however, bit 15 of the *uScanCode* parameter may be used to distinguish between a key press and a key release. The scan code is used for translating ALT+ *number key* combinations.

Although NUM LOCK is a toggle key that affects keyboard behavior, **ToAscii** ignores the toggle setting (the low bit) of *lpKeyState* (**VK_NUMLOCK**) because the *uVirtKey* parameter alone is sufficient to distinguish the cursor movement keys (**VK_HOME**, **VK_INSERT**, and so on) from the numeric keys (**VK_DECIMAL**, **VK_NUMPAD0** - **VK_NUMPAD9**).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[Keyboard Input](#)

[OemKeyScan](#)

Reference

[ToAsciiEx](#)

[ToUnicode](#)

[VkKeyScan](#)

ToAsciiEx function (winuser.h)

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Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding character or characters. The function translates the code using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the input locale identifier.

Syntax

```
int ToAsciiEx(  
    [in]          UINT      uVirtKey,  
    [in]          UINT      uScanCode,  
    [in, optional] const BYTE *lpKeyState,  
    [out]          LPWORD    lpChar,  
    [in]          UINT      uFlags,  
    [in, optional] HKL      dwhkl  
);
```

Parameters

[in] uVirtKey

Type: **UINT**

The virtual-key code to be translated. See [Virtual-Key Codes](#).

[in] uScanCode

Type: **UINT**

The hardware scan code of the key to be translated. The high-order bit of this value is set if the key is up (not pressed).

[in, optional] lpKeyState

Type: **const BYTE***

A pointer to a 256-byte array that contains the current keyboard state. Each element (byte) in the array contains the state of one key. If the high-order bit of a byte is set, the key is down (pressed).

The low bit, if set, indicates that the key is toggled on. In this function, only the toggle bit of the CAPS LOCK key is relevant. The toggle state of the NUM LOCK and SCOLL LOCK keys is ignored.

[out] lpChar

Type: **LPWORD**

A pointer to the buffer that receives the translated character or characters.

[in] uFlags

Type: **UINT**

This parameter must be 1 if a menu is active, zero otherwise.

[in, optional] dwhkl

Type: HKL

Input locale identifier to use to translate the code. This parameter can be any input locale identifier previously returned by the [LoadKeyboardLayout](#) function.

Return value

Type: int

If the specified key is a dead key, the return value is negative. Otherwise, it is one of the following values.

RETURN VALUE	DESCRIPTION
0	The specified virtual key has no translation for the current state of the keyboard.
1	One character was copied to the buffer.
2	Two characters were copied to the buffer. This usually happens when a dead-key character (accent or diacritic) stored in the keyboard layout cannot be composed with the specified virtual key to form a single character.

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

The parameters supplied to the **ToAsciiEx** function might not be sufficient to translate the virtual-key code, because a previous dead key is stored in the keyboard layout.

Typically, **ToAsciiEx** performs the translation based on the virtual-key code. In some cases, however, bit 15 of the *uScanCode* parameter may be used to distinguish between a key press and a key release. The scan code is used for translating ALT+number key combinations.

Although NUM LOCK is a toggle key that affects keyboard behavior, **ToAsciiEx** ignores the toggle setting (the low bit) of *lpKeyState* (**VK_NUMLOCK**) because the *uVirtKey* parameter alone is sufficient to distinguish the cursor movement keys (**VK_HOME**, **VK_INSERT**, and so on) from the numeric keys (**VK_DECIMAL**, **VK_NUMPAD0** - **VK_NUMPAD9**).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib

DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

[MapVirtualKeyEx](#)

Reference

[ToUnicodeEx](#)

[VkKeyScan](#)

TOOLTIP_DISMISS_FLAGS enumeration (winuser.h)

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Defines constants that indicate whether a window is registered or unregistered to receive tooltip dismiss notifications.

Syntax

```
typedef enum {  
    TDF_REGISTER,  
    TDF_UNREGISTER  
} TOOLTIP_DISMISS_FLAGS;
```

Constants

TDF_REGISTER

The window is registered to receive tooltip dismiss notifications.

TDF_UNREGISTER

The window is unregistered from receiving tooltip dismiss notifications.

Remarks

This enumeration is used by the [RegisterForTooltipDismissNotification](#) function.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 11 Build 22621
Header	winuser.h

See also

[RegisterForTooltipDismissNotification](#), [Tooltip](#)

ToUnicode function (winuser.h)

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Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding Unicode character or characters.

To specify a handle to the keyboard layout to use to translate the specified code, use the [ToUnicodeEx](#) function.

Syntax

```
int ToUnicode(  
    [in]          UINT          wVirtKey,  
    [in]          UINT          wScanCode,  
    [in, optional] const BYTE *lpKeyState,  
    [out]         LPWSTR       pwszBuff,  
    [in]          int           cchBuff,  
    [in]          UINT          wFlags  
);
```

Parameters

[in] wVirtKey

Type: **UINT**

The virtual-key code to be translated. See [Virtual-Key Codes](#).

[in] wScanCode

Type: **UINT**

The hardware scan code of the key to be translated. The high-order bit of this value is set if the key is up.

[in, optional] lpKeyState

Type: **const BYTE***

A pointer to a 256-byte array that contains the current keyboard state. Each element (byte) in the array contains the state of one key. If the high-order bit of a byte is set, the key is down.

[out] pwszBuff

Type: **LPWSTR**

The buffer that receives the translated Unicode character or characters. However, this buffer may be returned without being null-terminated even though the variable name suggests that it is null-terminated.

[in] cchBuff

Type: **int**

The size, in characters, of the buffer pointed to by the *pwszBuff* parameter.

[in] wFlags

Type: **UINT**

The behavior of the function.

If bit 0 is set, a menu is active.

If bit 2 is set, keyboard state is not changed (Windows 10, version 1607 and newer)

All other bits (through 31) are reserved.

Return value

Type: `int`

The function returns one of the following values.

RETURN VALUE	DESCRIPTION
-1	The specified virtual key is a dead-key character (accent or diacritic). This value is returned regardless of the keyboard layout, even if several characters have been typed and are stored in the keyboard state. If possible, even with Unicode keyboard layouts, the function has written a spacing version of the dead-key character to the buffer specified by <i>pwszBuff</i> . For example, the function writes the character SPACING ACUTE (0x00B4), rather than the character NON_SPACING ACUTE (0x0301).
0	The specified virtual key has no translation for the current state of the keyboard. Nothing was written to the buffer specified by <i>pwszBuff</i> .
1	One character was written to the buffer specified by <i>pwszBuff</i> .
$2 \leq \text{value}$	Two or more characters were written to the buffer specified by <i>pwszBuff</i> . The most common cause for this is that a dead-key character (accent or diacritic) stored in the keyboard layout could not be combined with the specified virtual key to form a single character. However, the buffer may contain more characters than the return value specifies. When this happens, any extra characters are invalid and should be ignored.

Remarks

The parameters supplied to the **ToUnicode** function might not be sufficient to translate the virtual-key code because a previous dead key is stored in the keyboard layout.

Typically, **ToUnicode** performs the translation based on the virtual-key code. In some cases, however, bit 15 of the *wScanCode* parameter can be used to distinguish between a key press and a key release.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]

Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[ToAscii](#)

[ToUnicodeEx](#)

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ToUnicodeEx function (winuser.h)

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Translates the specified virtual-key code and keyboard state to the corresponding Unicode character or characters.

Syntax

```
int ToUnicodeEx(  
    [in]          UINT          wVirtKey,  
    [in]          UINT          wScanCode,  
    [in]          const BYTE *lpKeyState,  
    [out]         LPWSTR        pwszBuff,  
    [in]          int           cchBuff,  
    [in]          UINT          wFlags,  
    [in, optional] HKL          dwk1  
);
```

Parameters

[in] wVirtKey

Type: **UINT**

The virtual-key code to be translated. See [Virtual-Key Codes](#).

[in] wScanCode

Type: **UINT**

The hardware scan code of the key to be translated. The high-order bit of this value is set if the key is up.

[in] lpKeyState

Type: **const BYTE***

A pointer to a 256-byte array that contains the current keyboard state. Each element (byte) in the array contains the state of one key. If the high-order bit of a byte is set, the key is down.

[out] pwszBuff

Type: **LPWSTR**

The buffer that receives the translated Unicode character or characters. However, this buffer may be returned without being null-terminated even though the variable name suggests that it is null-terminated.

[in] cchBuff

Type: **int**

The size, in characters, of the buffer pointed to by the *pwszBuff* parameter.

[in] wFlags

Type: **UINT**

The behavior of the function.

If bit 0 is set, a menu is active.

If bit 2 is set, keyboard state is not changed (Windows 10, version 1607 and newer)

All other bits (through 31) are reserved.

[in, optional] `dwhkl`

Type: HKL

The input locale identifier used to translate the specified code. This parameter can be any input locale identifier previously returned by the [LoadKeyboardLayout](#) function.

Return value

Type: `int`

The function returns one of the following values.

RETURN VALUE	DESCRIPTION
-1	The specified virtual key is a dead-key character (accent or diacritic). This value is returned regardless of the keyboard layout, even if several characters have been typed and are stored in the keyboard state. If possible, even with Unicode keyboard layouts, the function has written a spacing version of the dead-key character to the buffer specified by <i>pwszBuff</i> . For example, the function writes the character SPACING ACUTE (0x00B4), rather than the character NON_SPACING ACUTE (0x0301).
0	The specified virtual key has no translation for the current state of the keyboard. Nothing was written to the buffer specified by <i>pwszBuff</i> .
1	One character was written to the buffer specified by <i>pwszBuff</i> .
$2 \leq \text{value}$	Two or more characters were written to the buffer specified by <i>pwszBuff</i> . The most common cause for this is that a dead-key character (accent or diacritic) stored in the keyboard layout could not be combined with the specified virtual key to form a single character. However, the buffer may contain more characters than the return value specifies. When this happens, any extra characters are invalid and should be ignored.

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

The parameters supplied to the **ToUnicodeEx** function might not be sufficient to translate the virtual-key code because a previous dead key is stored in the keyboard layout.

Typically, **ToUnicodeEx** performs the translation based on the virtual-key code. In some cases, however, bit 15 of the *wScanCode* parameter can be used to distinguish between a key press and a key release.

As **ToUnicodeEx** translates the virtual-key code, it also changes the state of the kernel-mode keyboard buffer. This state-change affects dead keys, ligatures, alt+numpad key entry, and so on. It might also cause undesired

side-effects if used in conjunction with [TranslateMessage](#) (which also changes the state of the kernel-mode keyboard buffer).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

Reference

[ToAsciiEx](#)

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TrackMouseEvent function (winuser.h)

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Posts messages when the mouse pointer leaves a window or hovers over a window for a specified amount of time.

Note The [_TrackMouseEvent](#) function calls **TrackMouseEvent** if it exists, otherwise **_TrackMouseEvent** emulates **TrackMouseEvent**.

Syntax

```
BOOL TrackMouseEvent(  
    [in, out] LPTRACKMOUSEEVENT lpEventTrack  
);
```

Parameters

[in, out] lpEventTrack

Type: **LPTRACKMOUSEEVENT**

A pointer to a [TRACKMOUSEEVENT](#) structure that contains tracking information.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero .

If the function fails, return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The mouse pointer is considered to be hovering when it stays within a specified rectangle for a specified period of time. Call [SystemParametersInfo](#). and use the values **SPI_GETMOUSEHOVERWIDTH**, **SPI_GETMOUSEHOVERHEIGHT**, and **SPI_GETMOUSEHOVERTIME** to retrieve the size of the rectangle and the time.

The function can post the following messages.

MESSAGE	DESCRIPTION
WM_NCMOUSEHOVER	The same meaning as WM_MOUSEHOVER except this is for the nonclient area of the window.
WM_NCMOUSELEAVE	The same meaning as WM_MOUSELEAVE except this is for the nonclient area of the window.

WM_MOUSEHOVER	The mouse hovered over the client area of the window for the period of time specified in a prior call to TrackMouseEvent . Hover tracking stops when this message is generated. The application must call TrackMouseEvent again if it requires further tracking of mouse hover behavior.
WM_MOUSELEAVE	The mouse left the client area of the window specified in a prior call to TrackMouseEvent . All tracking requested by TrackMouseEvent is canceled when this message is generated. The application must call TrackMouseEvent when the mouse reenters its window if it requires further tracking of mouse hover behavior.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll
API set	ext-ms-win-ntuser-mouse-l1-1-0 (introduced in Windows 8)

See also

Conceptual

[Mouse Input](#)

Other Resources

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TRACKMOUSEEVENT structure (winuser.h)

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Used by the [TrackMouseEvent](#) function to track when the mouse pointer leaves a window or hovers over a window for a specified amount of time.

Syntax

```
typedef struct tagTRACKMOUSEEVENT {  
    DWORD cbSize;  
    DWORD dwFlags;  
    HWND  hwndTrack;  
    DWORD dwHoverTime;  
} TRACKMOUSEEVENT, *LPTRACKMOUSEEVENT;
```

Members

cbSize

Type: **DWORD**

The size of the **TRACKMOUSEEVENT** structure, in bytes.

dwFlags

Type: **DWORD**

The services requested. This member can be a combination of the following values.

VALUE	MEANING
TME_CANCEL 0x80000000	The caller wants to cancel a prior tracking request. The caller should also specify the type of tracking that it wants to cancel. For example, to cancel hover tracking, the caller must pass the TME_CANCEL and TME_HOVER flags.
TME_HOVER 0x00000001	The caller wants hover notification. Notification is delivered as a WM_MOUSEHOVER message. If the caller requests hover tracking while hover tracking is already active, the hover timer will be reset. This flag is ignored if the mouse pointer is not over the specified window or area.
TME_LEAVE 0x00000002	The caller wants leave notification. Notification is delivered as a WM_MOUSELEAVE message. If the mouse is not over the specified window or area, a leave notification is generated immediately and no further tracking is performed.
TME_NONCLIENT 0x00000010	The caller wants hover and leave notification for the nonclient areas. Notification is delivered as WM_NCMOUSEHOVER and WM_NCMOUSELEAVE messages.

TME_QUERY 0x40000000	The function fills in the structure instead of treating it as a tracking request. The structure is filled such that had that structure been passed to TrackMouseEvent , it would generate the current tracking. The only anomaly is that the hover time-out returned is always the actual time-out and not HOVER_DEFAULT , if HOVER_DEFAULT was specified during the original TrackMouseEvent request.
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hwndTrack

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the window to track.

dwHoverTime

Type: **DWORD**

The hover time-out (if **TME_HOVER** was specified in **dwFlags**), in milliseconds. Can be **HOVER_DEFAULT**, which means to use the system default hover time-out.

Remarks

The system default hover time-out is initially the menu drop-down time, which is 400 milliseconds. You can call [SystemParametersInfo](#) and use **SPI_GETMOUSEHOVERTIME** to retrieve the default hover time-out.

The system default hover rectangle is the same as the double-click rectangle. You can call [SystemParametersInfo](#) and use **SPI_GETMOUSEHOVERWIDTH** and **SPI_GETMOUSEHOVERHEIGHT** to retrieve the size of the rectangle within which the mouse pointer has to stay for [TrackMouseEvent](#) to generate a **WM_MOUSEHOVER** message.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)

See also

[Mouse Input](#)

UnloadKeyboardLayout function (winuser.h)

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Unloads an input locale identifier (formerly called a keyboard layout).

Syntax

```
BOOL UnloadKeyboardLayout(  
    [in] HKL hkl  
);
```

Parameters

[in] hkl

Type: HKL

The input locale identifier to be unloaded.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. The function can fail for the following reasons:

- An invalid input locale identifier was passed.
- The input locale identifier was preloaded.
- The input locale identifier is in use.

To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

UnloadKeyboardLayout cannot unload the system default input locale identifier if it is the only keyboard layout loaded. You must first load another input locale identifier before unloading the default input locale identifier.

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows

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Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

[ActivateKeyboardLayout](#)

Conceptual

[GetKeyboardLayoutName](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

Reference

UnregisterHotKey function (winuser.h)

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Frees a hot key previously registered by the calling thread.

Syntax

```
BOOL UnregisterHotKey(  
    [in, optional] HWND hWnd,  
    [in]           int  id  
);
```

Parameters

[in, optional] hWnd

Type: **HWND**

A handle to the window associated with the hot key to be freed. This parameter should be **NULL** if the hot key is not associated with a window.

[in] id

Type: **int**

The identifier of the hot key to be freed.

Return value

Type: **BOOL**

If the function succeeds, the return value is nonzero.

If the function fails, the return value is zero. To get extended error information, call [GetLastError](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[RegisterHotKey](#)

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VkKeyScanA function (winuser.h)

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[This function has been superseded by the [VkKeyScanEx](#) function. You can still use **VkKeyScan**, however, if you do not need to specify a keyboard layout.]

Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state for the current keyboard.

Syntax

```
SHORT VkKeyScanA(  
    [in] CHAR ch  
);
```

Parameters

[in] ch

Type: **TCHAR**

The character to be translated into a virtual-key code.

Return value

Type: **SHORT**

If the function succeeds, the low-order byte of the return value contains the virtual-key code and the high-order byte contains the shift state, which can be a combination of the following flag bits.

RETURN VALUE	DESCRIPTION
1	Either SHIFT key is pressed.
2	Either CTRL key is pressed.
4	Either ALT key is pressed.
8	The Hankaku key is pressed
16	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).
32	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).

If the function finds no key that translates to the passed character code, both the low-order and high-order bytes contain -1 .

Remarks

For keyboard layouts that use the right-hand ALT key as a shift key (for example, the French keyboard layout), the shift state is represented by the value 6, because the right-hand ALT key is converted internally into CTRL+ALT.

Translations for the numeric keypad (**VK_NUMPAD0** through **VK_DIVIDE**) are ignored. This function is intended to translate characters into keystrokes from the main keyboard section only. For example, the character "7" is translated into **VK_7**, not **VK_NUMPAD7**.

VkKeyScan is used by applications that send characters by using the [WM_KEYUP](#) and [WM_KEYDOWN](#) messages.

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines **VkKeyScan** as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the **UNICODE** preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyNameText](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

Reference

[SetKeyboardState](#)

VkKeyScanEx

WM_KEYDOWN

WM_KEYUP

VkKeyScanExA function (winuser.h)

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Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state. The function translates the character using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the input locale identifier.

Syntax

```
SHORT VkKeyScanExA(  
    [in] CHAR ch,  
    [in] HKL dwHkl  
);
```

Parameters

[in] ch

Type: **TCHAR**

The character to be translated into a virtual-key code.

[in] dwHkl

Type: **HKL**

Input locale identifier used to translate the character. This parameter can be any input locale identifier previously returned by the [LoadKeyboardLayout](#) function.

Return value

Type: **SHORT**

If the function succeeds, the low-order byte of the return value contains the virtual-key code and the high-order byte contains the shift state, which can be a combination of the following flag bits.

RETURN VALUE	DESCRIPTION
1	Either SHIFT key is pressed.
2	Either CTRL key is pressed.
4	Either ALT key is pressed.
8	The Hankaku key is pressed

16	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).
32	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).

If the function finds no key that translates to the passed character code, both the low-order and high-order bytes contain `-1`.

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

For keyboard layouts that use the right-hand ALT key as a shift key (for example, the French keyboard layout), the shift state is represented by the value 6, because the right-hand ALT key is converted internally into CTRL+ALT.

Translations for the numeric keypad (VK_NUMPAD0 through VK_DIVIDE) are ignored. This function is intended to translate characters into keystrokes from the main keyboard section only. For example, the character "7" is translated into VK_7, not VK_NUMPAD7.

VkKeyScanEx is used by applications that send characters by using the [WM_KEYUP](#) and [WM_KEYDOWN](#) messages.

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines **VkKeyScanEx** as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the UNICODE preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyNameText](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

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[SetKeyboardState](#)

[ToAsciiEx](#)

VkKeyScanExW function (winuser.h)

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Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state. The function translates the character using the input language and physical keyboard layout identified by the input locale identifier.

Syntax

```
SHORT VkKeyScanExW(  
    [in] WCHAR ch,  
    [in] HKL   dwHKL  
);
```

Parameters

[in] ch

Type: **TCHAR**

The character to be translated into a virtual-key code.

[in] dwHKL

Type: **HKL**

Input locale identifier used to translate the character. This parameter can be any input locale identifier previously returned by the [LoadKeyboardLayout](#) function.

Return value

Type: **SHORT**

If the function succeeds, the low-order byte of the return value contains the virtual-key code and the high-order byte contains the shift state, which can be a combination of the following flag bits.

RETURN VALUE	DESCRIPTION
1	Either SHIFT key is pressed.
2	Either CTRL key is pressed.
4	Either ALT key is pressed.
8	The Hankaku key is pressed

16	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).
32	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).

If the function finds no key that translates to the passed character code, both the low-order and high-order bytes contain -1 .

Remarks

The input locale identifier is a broader concept than a keyboard layout, since it can also encompass a speech-to-text converter, an Input Method Editor (IME), or any other form of input.

For keyboard layouts that use the right-hand ALT key as a shift key (for example, the French keyboard layout), the shift state is represented by the value 6, because the right-hand ALT key is converted internally into CTRL+ALT.

Translations for the numeric keypad (VK_NUMPAD0 through VK_DIVIDE) are ignored. This function is intended to translate characters into keystrokes from the main keyboard section only. For example, the character "7" is translated into VK_7, not VK_NUMPAD7.

VkKeyScanEx is used by applications that send characters by using the [WM_KEYUP](#) and [WM_KEYDOWN](#) messages.

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines **VkKeyScanEx** as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the UNICODE preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

[GetKeyNameText](#)

[GetKeyState](#)

[GetKeyboardState](#)

[Keyboard Input](#)

[LoadKeyboardLayout](#)

Reference

[SetKeyboardState](#)

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VkKeyScanW function (winuser.h)

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[This function has been superseded by the [VkKeyScanEx](#) function. You can still use **VkKeyScan**, however, if you do not need to specify a keyboard layout.]

Translates a character to the corresponding virtual-key code and shift state for the current keyboard.

Syntax

```
SHORT VkKeyScanW(  
    [in] WCHAR ch  
);
```

Parameters

[in] ch

Type: **TCHAR**

The character to be translated into a virtual-key code.

Return value

Type: **SHORT**

If the function succeeds, the low-order byte of the return value contains the virtual-key code and the high-order byte contains the shift state, which can be a combination of the following flag bits.

RETURN VALUE	DESCRIPTION
1	Either SHIFT key is pressed.
2	Either CTRL key is pressed.
4	Either ALT key is pressed.
8	The Hankaku key is pressed
16	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).
32	Reserved (defined by the keyboard layout driver).

If the function finds no key that translates to the passed character code, both the low-order and high-order bytes contain -1 .

Remarks

For keyboard layouts that use the right-hand ALT key as a shift key (for example, the French keyboard layout), the shift state is represented by the value 6, because the right-hand ALT key is converted internally into CTRL+ALT.

Translations for the numeric keypad (**VK_NUMPAD0** through **VK_DIVIDE**) are ignored. This function is intended to translate characters into keystrokes from the main keyboard section only. For example, the character "7" is translated into **VK_7**, not **VK_NUMPAD7**.

VkKeyScan is used by applications that send characters by using the [WM_KEYUP](#) and [WM_KEYDOWN](#) messages.

NOTE

The winuser.h header defines **VkKeyScan** as an alias which automatically selects the ANSI or Unicode version of this function based on the definition of the **UNICODE** preprocessor constant. Mixing usage of the encoding-neutral alias with code that not encoding-neutral can lead to mismatches that result in compilation or runtime errors. For more information, see [Conventions for Function Prototypes](#).

Requirements

Minimum supported client	Windows 2000 Professional [desktop apps only]
Minimum supported server	Windows 2000 Server [desktop apps only]
Target Platform	Windows
Header	winuser.h (include Windows.h)
Library	User32.lib
DLL	User32.dll

See also

Conceptual

[GetAsyncKeyState](#)

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