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#### **Description**

DfInfo is a Visual Basic custom control that gives convenient access to disk and file information. VB programmers are able to read and modify miscellaneous information about files (date, time, size, etc.). Information about the computer's drives is available through another set of properties.

#### **File Name**

DFINFO2.VBX

#### **Object Type**

FileInfo  
DiskInfo

#### **Compatibility**

VB 2.0 and up

**Distribution Note** When you develop and distribute an application that uses DfInfo, you should install the file DFINFO2.VBX into the users Windows SYSTEM directory. DfInfo has version information built into it. So, during installation, you should ensure that you are not overwriting a newer version of DfInfo.

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## FileDate Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Reads or set the date of the selected file.

### Usage

```
[form.][dfinfo.]FileDate[ = date$]
```

### Remarks

This property represents the date of the file sepecified by [Filename](#). This property is kept in the VB Date\$ format (see your VB manuals for more information). For example, June 23, 1994 would be "06-23-1994".

When this property is set, the date of the file is changed.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

### Data Type

String

**See Also**

Properties:

Filename

FileTime

Size

## Filename Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Determines the file that DFInfo reads/modifies.

### Usage

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]Filename[ = *name\$*]

### Remarks

This is the first property that you should set when dealing with files. Set it to the name (and path, if needed) of the file. If the file exists, all of the other properties will be set with the current information. If not, Size will be set to -1.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

### Data Type

String

## See Also

Properties:

[FileDate](#)

[FileTime](#)

[IsArchived](#)

[IsHidden](#)

[IsReadOnly](#)

[IsSystem](#)

[Size](#)

## FileTime Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Reads or set the time of the selected file.

### Usage

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]FileTime[ = *time\$*]

### Remarks

This property represents the date of the file sepecified by [Filename](#). This property is kept in the VB Time\$ format (see your VB manuals for more information). For example, 4:15pm would be "16:15:00".

When this property is set, the time of the file is changed.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

### Data Type

String



**See Also**

Properties:

FileDate

Filename

Size

## IsArchived Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Reads, sets or clears the file's archive bit.

### Usage

```
[form.][dfinfo.]IsArchived[ = bool]
```

### Remarks

This property determines the archive bit of the file sepecified by [Filename](#). When this property is set, the archive bit of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

### Data Type

Boolean

## See Also

Properties:

[Filename](#)

[IsHidden](#)

[IsReadOnly](#)

[IsSystem](#)

## IsHidden Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Reads, sets or clears the file's hidden bit.

### Usage

```
[form.][dfinfo.]IsHidden[ = bool]
```

### Remarks

This property determines the hidden bit of the file sepecified by Filename. When this property is set, the hidden bit of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

### Data Type

Boolean

## See Also

Properties:

[Filename](#)

[IsArchived](#)

[IsReadOnly](#)

[IsSystem](#)

## IsReadOnly Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Reads, sets or clears the file's read-only bit.

### Usage

```
[form.][dfinfo.]IsReadOnly[ = bool]
```

### Remarks

This property determines the archive bit of the file sepecified by [Filename](#). When this property is set, the read-only bit of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

### Data Type

Boolean

## See Also

Properties:

[Filename](#)

[IsArchived](#)

[IsHidden](#)

[IsSystem](#)

## IsSystem Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Reads, sets or clears the file's system bit.

### Usage

`[form.][dfinfo.]IsSystem[ = bool]`

### Remarks

This property determines the archive bit of the file sepecified by [Filename](#). When this property is set, the system bit of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

### Data Type

Boolean



## **See Also**

Properties:

[Filename](#)

[IsArchived](#)

[IsHidden](#)

[IsReadOnly](#)

## Size Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Reads or set the file's size.

### Usage

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]Size[ = *size*&]

### Remarks

This property reads or sets the size of the file sepecified by Filename. When this property is set, the size of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

### Data Type

Long

**See Also**

Properties:

[FileDate](#)

[Filename](#)

[FileTime](#)

## ClusterSize Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Number of sectors per cluster.

### Usage

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]ClusterSize[ = *size*&]

### Remarks

This is the number of sectors in each cluster on the drive specified by the [Disk](#) property.  
This property is read-only at run-time only.

### Data Type

Long

## See Also

Properties:

[FreeClusters](#)

[FreeSpace](#)

[SectorSize](#)

[TotalClusters](#)

[TotalSpace](#)

## **DefaultDrive Property**

[See Also](#)

### **Description**

Drive letter of the current default drive.

### **Usage**

```
[form.][dfinfo.]DefaultDrive[ =drive$]
```

### **Remarks**

This is the drive letter of current default drive. Setting this property changes the default drive to the drive letter specified. This property is read/write at run-time only.

### **Data Type**

String

**See Also**

Properties:

Disk

SerialNumber

VolumeName

## Disk Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Drive letter of the disk to examine.

### Usage

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]Disk[ =*drive\$*]

### Remarks

This is the drive letter of drive to examine with the other properties (i.e., [ClusterSize](#), [FreeSpace](#), [VolumeName](#), etc.). This property is read/write at run-time only.

### Data Type

String



**See Also**

Properties:

[DefaultDrive](#)

[SerialNumber](#)

[VolumeName](#)

## FreeClusters Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Number of free clusters.

### Usage

```
[form.][dfinfo.]FreeClusters[ = num&]
```

### Remarks

This is the number of free clusters available on the drive specified by the [Disk](#) property.  
This property is read-only at run-time only.

### Data Type

Long

**See Also**

Properties:

[ClusterSize](#)

[FreeSpace](#)

[SectorSize](#)

[TotalClusters](#)

[TotalSpace](#)

## FreeSpace Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Number of free bytes.

### Usage

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]FreeSpace[ = *num*&]

### Remarks

This is the number of free bytes available on the drive specified by the [Disk](#) property. This property is read-only at run-time only.

### Data Type

Long

## See Also

Properties:

[ClusterSize](#)

[FreeClusters](#)

[SectorSize](#)

[TotalClusters](#)

[TotalSpace](#)

## **Network Property**

### **Description**

Flag determining whether or not drive is local or on a network.

### **Usage**

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]Network[ = *bool*]

### **Remarks**

If this property is True the drive, specified by the Disk property, is a network drive. Otherwise, this drive is local. This property is read-only at run-time only.

### **Data Type**

Integer (boolean)

## **NumFloppies Property**

[See Also](#)

### **Description**

Number of floppy drives in the system.

### **Usage**

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]NumFloppies[ = *num%*]

### **Remarks**

This property tells the number of floppy drives in this computer. This property is read-only at run-time only.

### **Data Type**

Integer

**See Also**

Properties:

[StartupDrive](#)



## SectorSize Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Number of bytes in a sector.

### Usage

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]SectorSize[ = *size*&]

### Remarks

This is the number of bytes per sector on the drive specified by the [Disk](#) property. This property is read-only at run-time only.

### Data Type

Long

## See Also

Properties:

[ClusterSize](#)

[FreeClusters](#)

[FreeSpace](#)

[TotalClusters](#)

[TotalSpace](#)

## **SerialNumber Property**

[See Also](#)

### **Description**

Media ID/serial number of the drive.

### **Usage**

*[form.]**[dfinfo.]*SerialNumber

### **Remarks**

This is the serial number of the drive specified by the [Disk](#) property. This property is read only at run-time only.

### **Data Type**

Integer (long)

**See Also**

Properties:

[DefaultDrive](#)

[Disk](#)

[VolumeName](#)

## StartupDrive Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Drive letter of the start-up (boot) drive.

### Usage

```
[form.][dfinfo.]StartupDrive[ =drive$]
```

### Remarks

This is the drive letter of the drive DOS booted from. This property is read-only at run-time only.

### Data Type

String

**See Also**

Properties:

[NumFloppies](#)

## **TotalClusters Property**

[See Also](#)

### **Description**

Total number of clusters on the drive.

### **Usage**

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]TotalClusters[ = *num*&]

### **Remarks**

This is the total number of clusters on the drive specified by the [Disk](#) property. This property is read-only at run-time only.

### **Data Type**

Long

## **See Also**

Properties:

[ClusterSize](#)

[FreeClusters](#)

[FreeSpace](#)

[SectorSize](#)

[TotalSpace](#)



## **TotalSpace Property**

[See Also](#)

### **Description**

Total number of bytes on the drive.

### **Usage**

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]TotalSpace[ = *size*&]

### **Remarks**

This is the total number of bytes on the drive specified by the [Disk](#) property. This property is read-only at run-time only.

### **Data Type**

Long

## See Also

Properties:

[ClusterSize](#)

[FreeClusters](#)

[FreeSpace](#)

[SectorSize](#)

[TotalClusters](#)

## VolumeName Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Volume name of the drive.

### Usage

[*form.*][*dfinfo.*]VolumeName[ = *vol\$*]

### Remarks

This is the volume name of the drive specified by the [Disk](#) property. When this property is set, the volume name of the drive is changed. This property is read/write at run-time only.

### Data Type

String

**See Also**

Properties:

[DefaultDrive](#)

[Disk](#)

[SerialNumber](#)

## About DFInfo

### Credits

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