

Fres is a little Windows program designed to display update vital session information. The current date and time is always displayed as the Window title. The lower portion of the window alternates between the Windows mode, free memory and free system resources (the percentage of space remaining in the User or GDI heaps -- whichever is less) on one screen, and the amount of available storage on the disk drive on another. In addition, Fres can "chime" the hour if you have a Wave device installed. Version 2.00 of Fres requires Windows 3.1 or later.

The first display looks something like this:

Mode Memory Heap %

Description

Mode	The Windows Mode Enh -- Enhanced 386 mode Std -- Standard mode
Memory	The remaining amount of system memory. This may total more than the physical amount of storage in the machine in enhanced mode.
Heap	The name of the limiting windows heap User -- the USER.EXE heap GDI -- the GDI.EXE heap By 'limiting' we mean the heap which has the least free memory. These 2 heaps comprise what Windows calls 'Free System Resources'.
%	The amount of space remaining in the heap.

The second display looks like this:

Free Disk Space

Description

Drive C:	The disk drive to display -- this can be changed by using the Configure... option from the system menu.
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33080 K This displays the current amount of storage available on the disk.

The following four items are added to the **Fres System menu** when the program is loaded:

- About Fres...** Displays information about **Fres**.
- Configure** Allows the adjustment of the number of seconds to display each screen before switching (a value of 0 disables the display), The diskdrive to monitor, and whether to "Chime" or not, and how frequently.
- Stay on Top** Causes **Fres** to remain on top of all other windows. The current state of this item is retained across Windows sessions. When *Stay on Top* is selected, a check mark appears next to the menu option.
- Save Location** Causes **Fres** to immediately record its current screen position. This location is used to position **Fres** the next time the program is launched.

The *System Menu* is accessed by clicking on the upper left corner of the window (the little box with the dash in it).

Notes on the Chime

Fres determines whether a wave output driver is installed. If it is, Fres looks in the **[Sounds]** section of the WIN.INI file for the keyword, **FresChime**. If the keyword is located, the sound associated with it is used. This allows you to assign any sound you want to the Chime by using the Windows Control Panel, **sounds** applet. If the keyword, **FresChime**, is not located, Fres adds it and installs the BIGCHIME.WAV file. Sounds can be disabled in Fres' **Configure...** dialog box.

Fres is copyrighted software, but you may use it and distribute the program freely. Please report any problems, comments or suggestions for Fres to:

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