

## Re: RAM question

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Thanks, Mike and Dani. I think I'm trying to create a problem where none exists. <gg>

Margie

On Mon, 20 Dec 2004 16:12:59 -0800, Mike DeTuri <seemy@webpage.com> wrote:

>No, it probably means that everything is working fine and when you boot  
>your computer the first thing you see is the BIOS for your video card.  
>Instead of seeing the RAM count that Sheila described, your computer's  
>BIOS might be set to show you a logo screen either from your PC  
>manufacturer or the motherboard maker. It could also mean that your  
>computer's BIOS is not set to count the RAM at power on and it's running  
>through the POST too fast for you to see anything except a flicker.

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>Like Dani said, if you can see it in the control panel it's fine. Your  
>computer wouldn't be able to run Windows if it didn't detect any system  
>RAM.

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>Mike DeTuri

><http://www.deturi.com>

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>Margie wrote:

>> Mike,

>> Dxdia does indicate 32 MB of video RAM. Does this mean I am running

>> on no other RAM? How can that be? Should I assume my RAM chip is

>> blown and simply replace it?

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>> Margie

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>> On Mon, 20 Dec 2004 13:59:33 -0800, Mike DeTuri <seemy@webpage.com>

>> wrote:

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>>>Your video card is probably counting its RAM and that's the 32 megs you

>>>see. To check the amount of RAM on your video card go Start menu | Run

>>>then type dxdiag and press Enter. Your video RAM will be listed on the  
>>>Display tab.  
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>>>Mike DeTuri  
>>><http://www.deturi.com>  
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>>>Margie wrote:  
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>>>>Well, I paid a little attention to Sheila's post about checking the  
>>>>RAM run-up while booting, but not enough, apparently. This morning I  
>>>>had to reboot because a program wouldn't run, and I noticed that there  
>>>>was no run-up, just a listing of 32 MB of RAM. I know I have 256, and  
>>>>the system information in control panel indicates 256, but I don't  
>>>>think it's "all there." Does this mean that all my RAM is bad? Any  
>>>>ideas or other suggestions on how to diagnose this? (I do notice  
>>>>things running a bit slower but not terribly so, and Spybot, Adaware  
>>>>and NAV are all current and good.)  
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>>>>Margie  
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