Subject: Re: Firefox fan boys Posted by a000clown on Mon, 12 May 2008 01:48:50 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

If it wasn't for FireFox Windows would still be using Internet Explorer 6. IE7 is a direct consequence of FF being a threat to them, look how many years it took them just to increase security a little and slap on a new skin.

FF is aimed to make your browsing experience as easy as possible, while IE is just adding stupid features no one really cares about.

Look at the new features in the betas of IE8 and FF3.

It isn't about which browser is better as many people seem to think, it's about people hating on Microsoft.

Microsoft and IE don't follow web standards, and they don't care; this is the primary reason people hate it.

For web developers this is a big problem because they code a page to follow standards set by the W3C how it's supposed to be done. Validate it, test it in multiple browsers and multiple operating systems; it looks great, it works great. Then you come to IE and the design is completely fucked up because Microsoft doesn't like to follow rules.

This forces the web developer to create custom coding specific to IE, makes them work longer, and forces companies to pay out more money because of the extra time being put into a site.

Simply put, Internet Explorer is a drain and the faster people stop using it, the faster web standards will develop and new technologies will be implemented or integrated into existing systems.

Microsoft is slowing progress and a few unique features don't make up for over a decade of ignoring standards.