

Chapter 7

Input and Output

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Competencies (Page 1 of 2)

- Define input
- Describe keyboard entry, pointing devices, and scanning devices
- Discuss image capturing devices, including digital cameras, digital video cameras, and audio input devices



Competencies (Page 2 of 2)

- Define output
- Describe monitors, printers, and audio output devices
- Discuss combination input and output devices, including fax machines, multifunctional devices, Internet telephones, and terminals



Introduction

- Do you ever wonder how information gets into your computer and comes out in a form you can use?
- Input devices convert what we understand into what the system unit can process.
- Output devices convert what the system unit has processed into a form that we can understand.
- Input and output devices are the focus of this chapter.

What is Input?

- Any data or instructions used by a computer
- Input devices
 - Hardware
 - Keyboards
 - Pointing devices
 - <u>Scanning devices</u>
 - Other devices



 Translates data into a form that the system unit can process

Keyboard Entry (Page 1 of 2)

Keyboards

- Traditional keyboards
- Flexible keyboards
- Ergonomic keyboards
- Wireless keyboards
- PDA keyboards
- Features
 - Typewriter keyboard with numeric keypad
 - Special purpose keys
 - Toggle and combination keys



Keyboard Entry (Page 2 of 2) Traditional Keyboard

Escape Key typically cancels a selection or a procedure.

Function Keys

shortcut for specific tasks. F1, for example, typically displays online Help.

Numeric Keypad

enters numbers and arithmetic symbols and controls cursor or insertion point.



Pointing Devices (Page 1 of 2)

- Mice
 - Mechanical
 - Optical
 - Cordless or wireless





- Three similar devices to mice
 - Trackball
 - Touch pads
 - Pointing stick





Pointing Devices (Page 2 of 2)

- Joystick
- Touch Screen
- Light Pen
- Stylus



Scanning Devices (Page 1 of 2)

- Optical scanners
 - Flatbed scanners
 - Portable scanners
- Card Readers
 - Magnetic card readers
 - Radio Frequency card readers

Scanning Devices (Page 2 of 2)

- Bar code readers
 - Handheld wand readers or platform scanners
 - Contain photoelectric cells that read bar codes
- Character and mark recognition devices
 - Magnetic ink character recognition (MICR)
 - Optical-character recognition (OCR)
 - Optical-mark recognition (OMR)



Image Capturing Devices

- Digital cameras
 - Images recorded digitally on a disk
 - Images can be downloaded to a computer
- Digital video cameras
 - Records motion digitally
 - Can take still images as well
 - WebCams
 - Specialized digital video cameras
 - Broadcast images over the Internet





Webcams And Instant Messaging

- Exchange messages and files with friends
- Voice and video capabilities
- Application sharing



Audio-Input Devices

Voice recognition systems

- Use a microphone, a sound card, and special software
- Users can operate computers and create documents using voice commands



What is Output?

- Processed data or information
- Types of output
 - Text
 - Graphics/Photos
 - Audio & video
- Output devices
 - Monitors
 - <u>Printers</u>
 - Other Devices



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Monitors (Page 1 of 2)

- Known as screens or display screens
- Output referred to as soft copy
- Features
 - Resolution/pixels
 - Dot pitch
 - Refresh rate
 - Size

Standard	Pixels
SVGA	800 imes 600
XGA	1,024 imes 768
SXGA	1,280 imes 1,024
UXGA	$1,600 \times 1,200$
QXGA	3,048 imes 1,536



Monitors (Page 2 of 2)

- Cathode-ray tube (CRT) monitors
- Flat-panel monitors
 - Require less power to operate
 - Portable and thinner than CRTs
- Other monitors
 - E-books
 - Data projectors



- High-definition television (HDTV)





Printers (Page 1 of 2)

- Translates information that has been processed by the system unit
- Output referred to as hard copy
- Features
 - Resolution
 - Color capability
 - Speed
 - Memory



Printers (Page 2 of 2)

- Ink-jet printer
- Laser printer
 - Personal laser printers
 - Shared laser printers
- Thermal printer
- Other printers
 - Dot-matrix printers
 - Plotters
 - Photo printers
 - Portable printers







Audio-Output Devices

- Translates audio information from the computer into sounds that people can understand
- Common devices
 - Speakers
 - Headphones
- Digital Music Players
 - iPod, iRiver, Zune



Multifunctional Devices (MFD)

- Many devices combine input and output capabilities and offer cost and space advantages
- Fax machines
- Internet telephones
 - known as Internet telephony
 - IP telephony
 - and Voice-over IP (VoIP)
 - <u>Three approaches</u>
- <u>Terminals</u>



Internet Telephone Approaches

- Computer-to computer
 - Free long distance calls
 - Requires computers to be connected to the Internet
 - MSN is most widely used software
- Computer-to traditional telephone
 - Place the call from a computer to a phone
 - Requires an Internet phone service provider
 - Software requirements
 - Small monthly and/or per-minute fee
- Traditional telephone-to-traditional telephone
 - Does not require a computer
 - Subscription required to a special Internet phone service provider
 - Special hardware adapter
 - Cost is similar to the computer-to-traditional telephone approach

Terminals

- An input and output device
- Connects to a mainframe or server
- Types of terminals
 - Dumb terminal _____
 - Intelligent terminal
 - Network terminal



Careers In IT

- Technical writers prepare instruction manuals, technical reports, and other scientific or technical documents
- Typically requires a college degree
 - Communications
 - Journalism
 - English



- Specialization or familiarization with a technical field
- Technical writers can expect to earn \$41K to \$69K annually.

A Look to the Future Electronic Translators May Be in Your Future

- Electronic Interpretation may soon exist to provide personal interpretation for foreign languages and images
- Prototype portable handheld electronic interpreters are currently in a testing phase at the U.S. Office of Naval Research
- Creating is labor intensive using both linguists and programmers



Discussion Questions (Page 1 of 2)

- Define input and input devices.
- Describe the different types of pointing, scanning, image capturing, and audio-input devices.
- Describe the three categories of output devices.

Discussion Questions (Page 2 of 2)

- Define output and output devices.
- What are combination input and output devices? Describe four such devices.