

Re: partition info help, please

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smoky_man wrote:

> "J.O. Aho" <user@example.net> wrote in
> [news:c24b2k\\$1nrh5u\\$1@ID-130698.news.uni-berlin.de](mailto:news:c24b2k$1nrh5u$1@ID-130698.news.uni-berlin.de):
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>>>400Gbytes!?!?
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>>Many users, but mark that most of it is on nfs share, which means they
>>are on one computer and shared to all the others. Regadles which
>>computer the user may login on, they have access to all their files.
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>> //Aho
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> Excellent idea.
> Do you have any idea what is the largest single drive size that
> R H 9 can handle right off the mark (using its own partition
> and format tools)? Assuming, of course, that the BIOS will allow
> it?

I think it depends on the filesystem, but right now, ext2 and ext3 seem to top out at 500 GB without using a volume manager (to unify multiple disks into one partition). But this may actually depend on which distro you use. The 500 GB limit that I saw was on a year-old version of Suse.

But since today's disks seem to top out at about 320 GB, even a one-disk size limit of 500 GB is effectively no limit at all.

BTW, if your users' data is at all precious, you may want to mirror or RAID the disks to provide some fault tolerance. 300+ GB is a lot of data to lose when a disk fails.

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