

## Re: kodak all-in-one

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ray wrote:

Just wondering if anyone has tried the new kodak all-in-one printers with Linux. I e-mailed Kodak, and of course, got a line about no linux support and a bunch of B.S. about USB not working properly with Linux.

What you have encountered is the total stupidity of monolithic corporate marketing departments. They will assimilate or die. It is not our problem.

Take that POS back and get a refund, and check out other brands first. HP and Brother work fairly well. Check out the CUPS website to be certain for your chosen model.

I am sad to relate that it is a maxim for many of us to vote with our wallets, and now we are starting to see some hardware makers realize that they are tossing away much more market share than they imagined.

You see, when we purchase compliant hardware, with open resources, so that we can write Open Source drivers, many of us have a significant influence on the purchase decisions of all of our many friends, family members, business clients, schools, charities, and governments and their agencies, so there are usually 7 to 10 other, secondary, purchases of the same hardware, no matter the OS of choice!

The Microsoft PC market flatlined since 1999, and the only growth markets are for hardware used by aficionados of the Open Source OSes.

Thus, Dell, Lenovo, HP, and others, have all been producing systems, and/or printers, and in some cases components, that include the Open Source drivers.

Before purchasing any hardware, most of us attempt to ascertain that it works in GNU/Linux, or the \*BSDs.

The history of OEM purchasing was in the hands of bean counters and CIOs, but, many technology vendors now realize that intelligent users of the 'Nixes can move as much product, through word of mouth, and, at

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retail prices.

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