

## Re: iso image

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On Fri, 05 Oct 2007, in the Usenet newsgroup comp.os.linux, in article <[TAtNi.278\\$mG5.187@pd7urf1no](mailto:TAtNi.278$mG5.187@pd7urf1no)>, The Wizard of Oz wrote:

There are some servers such as Deja News, Google, and Webusenet.com(?) which offer a web interface to the newsgroups.

deja disappeared in 2001 – the news archives were absorbed into the current google archive. However the O/P is posting from a regular news server (news.suddenlink.net), not one of the web interfaces.

There appear to be some problems with each. Google for example doesn't display the date and we frequently see flames from people whining about posts from six months to a year earlier.

Google also intentionally ignores all abuse reports, allowing spammers full access without charge. Because of this abuse, a lot of people are now filtering out all posts that originate through google (trivial step of blocking all posts with a Message-ID: header ending in 'googlegroups.com'). At the moment, I'm only killfiling such posts in six of the 84 Usenet groups I try to at least scan daily.

Google is also being used by people whose ISP doesn't bother providing a Usenet feed – either as a cost cutting measure, or because the admins are to brane-ded to be using a computer and can't figure out how to set up such a server. I think it telling that Chinese ISPs like 163.net are providing what appears to be a full Big-Eight feed as well as a number of alternative groups (seeing posts via those servers in several of the alt.os.linux.\* groups I scan) – possibly a recognition of the problems with google groups postings.

About Outlook and Outlook Express, the American Department of Homeland Security advocate using anything else but those programs.

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Do you have a cite for that? Many of the actions of the DHS are useless window dressing unrelated to facts – to give the illusion of doing something. On the other hand, CERT has been warning about using those browsers since the 1990s. Unfortunately, most people use a browser because it's the only piece of software they've tried.

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