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Microsoft cannot be allowed to continually stifle competition in the computer arena. They have already done so without much effort simply by releasing new applications as the default in their operating system; thus, squelching the competition to a meager level.
The most notable example of this is Netscape. They continue to destroy creative and exciting enterprises by releasing competing products for free, and as the default with their Windows operating system brand name. Examples of this are Windows Media Player vs Real Networks, or MSN Instant Messenger vs AOL's AIM or AOL's ICQ. Not to mention the obvious and present security concerns regarding Passport and it's licensing agreement.
I've done my best to avoid their monopolistic practices as best I can, I use Linux. I still find myself frustrated with the amount of effort they have put into making life in the IT profession a living nightmare, especially for a Network Admin.
I fear the day they will dominate web services with their .NET strategy, for that will be the end of all competition if adopted.

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