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Apple MessagePad 130: Memory Allocation Amounts (5/96)

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TOPIC -----

This article provides a breakdown on the memory allocation on the Apple MessagePad 130 device.

DISCUSSION -----

Built-in applications: Calculator, Calls, Card, Clock, Connection, Formulas, Help, In Box, Out Box, Owner Info, Prefs, Setup, Styles, Time Zones, and Writing Practice,

Also loaded into internal memory are:

Hide-E	2K
HW Instructor	101K
Newton Tour	110K
Pocket Quicken	238K
Serial 9600	1K

Total	452
Soups	7
Patches (approx.)	33

Total	492K

1K allotments are initially set aside for the Calls, Dates, In/Out Items, Names, Notes, Pocket Quicken and To do Task soups adding up to another 7K. Everytime you add a note, or name, these amounts increase and take up more user memory.

Memory Info shows 492K used and 869K free, this gives you 1361K user available memory. Since the 869K free initially may be startling, you can gain some of that space back by removing those packages that are preloaded into the internal memory: HW Instructor, Newton Tour, Pocket Quicken, or Serial 9600.

Just as with any computer, when the operating system loads, it takes away from the operational memory. In the case of the Apple MessagePad, the operating system, the system updates (patches) load in at about 639K. As for the extra 512K, you should never even be aware of its existence unless you looks at the Memory Info stats. This is a result of how smoothly the heap space operations

are now handled.

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