



This is part of **Family API** which allow to create dual-os version of program runs under OS/2 and DOS

**Note:** This is legacy API call. It is recommended to use 32-bit equivalent

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## VioGetBuf

This call returns the address of the logical video buffer (LVB).

### Syntax

VioGetBuf (LVBPtr, Length, VioHandle)

### Parameters

;LVBPtr (PULONG) - output : Address of the selector and offset of the logical video buffer. Applications should not assume the offset portion of this far address is 0. ;Length (PUSHORT) - output : Address of the length buffer in bytes. The length is: number of rows \* number of columns \* size of cell.  
;VioHandle (HVIO) - input : This must be zero unless the caller is a Presentation Manager application, in which case it must be the value returned by VioGetPs.

### Return Code

rc (USHORT) - return Return code descriptions are:  
\* 0 NO\_ERROR  
\* 355 ERROR\_VIO\_MODE  
\* 430 ERROR\_VIO\_ILLEGAL\_DURING\_POPUP  
\* 436 ERROR\_VIO\_INVALID\_HANDLE  
\* 465 ERROR\_VIO\_DETACHED

### Remarks

An application using VioGetBuf can prepare a screen in the application's own logical video buffer (LVB) offline. When the application is in the foreground, the physical screen buffer is updated from the LVB when VioShowBuf is issued. When the application runs in the background, the physical screen buffer is updated when the application is switched to the foreground.

Once VioGetBuf is issued, all VioWrtXX calls issued while the application is running in the foreground are written to the physical display buffer and LVB. If a VioGetPhysBuf is subsequently issued, then the VioWrtXX calls are only written to the physical display buffer. They are no longer written to the LVB.

VioGetMode may be used to determine the dimensions of the buffer.

If VioSetMode is issued following a VioGetBuf call, the size of the logical video buffer is adjusted to correspond to the new mode. There is one logical video buffer per session (or presentation space if AVIO application) that corresponds to the current mode on the current display configuration.

## PM Considerations

This function returns the address and length of the Advanced VIO presentation space. The presentation space may be used to directly manipulate displayed information.

### Example Code

#### C Binding

```
<PRE> #define INCL_VIO  
  
USHORT rc = VioGetBuf(LVBPtr, Length, VioHandle);  
  
PULONG LVBPtr; /* Points to LVB */ PUSHORT Length; /* Length of buffer */ HVIO VioHandle; /* Vio handle */  
  
USHORT rc; /* return code */ </PRE>
```

#### MASM Binding

```
<PRE> EXTRN VioGetBuf:FAR INCL_VIO EQU 1  
  
PUSH@ DWORD LVBPtr ;Points to LVB PUSH@ WORD Length ;Length of buffer PUSH WORD VioHandle  
;Vio handle CALL VioGetBuf  
  
Returns WORD </PRE>
```

## Note

Text based on [http://www.edm2.com/index.php/VioGetBuf\\_\(FAPI\)](http://www.edm2.com/index.php/VioGetBuf_(FAPI))

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DOS	Process Manager	DosBeep DosExit DosSleep DosExecPgm
	File Manager	DosChDir DosChgFilePtr DosClose DosDelete DosDupHandle DosMkDir DosMove DosQCurDir DosQCurDisk DosSet FileMode DosOpen DosQFileInfo DosRead DosQ FileMode DosQFSInfo DosQVerify DosRmDir DosSelectDisk DosFindClose DosFindFirst DosFindNext DosSet FileInfo DosSet Verify DosWrite DosFileLocks DosSet FHandState DosNewSize DosBufReset DosQFHandState DosSet FInfo
	Memory Manager	DosFreeSeg DosSubAlloc DosSubFree DosSubSet DosAlloc Huge DosAlloc Seg DosRealloc Huge DosRealloc Seg DosGet Huge Shift DosCreateCS Alias
	NLS	DosCaseMap DosGetCtryInfo DosGetDBCSEv DosSetCtryCode DosGetCollate DosGetMessage DosInsMessage DosPutMessage
	Date and Time	DosSetDateTime DosGetDateTime
	Devices	DosDevConfig DosDevIOCtl DosDevIOCtl2
	Signals	DosHoldSignal DosSetSigHandler
	Misc	BadDynLink DosGetEnv DosGetMachineMode DosGetVersion DosError DosErrClass DosSetVec
KBD		KbdCharIn KbdFlushBuffer KbdGetStatus KbdSetStatus KbdStringIn KbdPeek
VIO		VioGetBuf VioGetConfig VioGetCurPos VioGetCurType VioGetPhysBuf VioReadCellStr VioReadCharStr VioScrollUp VioScrollDn VioScrollLf VioScrollRt VioScrUnLock VioSetCurPos VioSetCurType VioSetMode VioGetMode VioShowBuf VioWrtCellStr VioWrtCharStr VioWrtCharStrAtt VioWrtNAttr VioWrtNCell VioWrtNChar VioWrtTTY VioScrLock VioPopUp
Tools		BIND
Modules		DOSCALLS.DLL VIOCALS.DLL KBDCALLS.DLL MSG.DLL
Libraries		API.LIB OS2386.LIB FAPI.LIB DOSCALLS.LIB SUBCALLS.LIB

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