Subject: Re: Linux Mandriva
Posted by bytefield on Tue, 30 Sep 2008 19:26:36 GMT

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chickenk wrote on Thu, 25 September 2008 19:18You'll call me crazy if you're balancing between Mandriva and Ubuntu, but why not try... Gentoo ?

I've tried Gentoo ...

 X server failed to set correct resolution.
 I have to install manually WLAN drivers.
 It's BSD based, so it's not Linux, because of that it doesn't have apt-get, dpkg, etc. and other programs that i usually use.
  emerge gave me some errors i've tried to install Upp

Now i have Ubuntu 8.04.1 64bit installed on my notebook. It work "out of box" as 32bit version work on my desktop. WLAN drivers get solved with one CLI command:
sudo /usr/share/b43-fwcutter/install_bcm43xx_firmware.sh
The only thing it's missing are drivers for Fingerprint Reader(i don't have time to search on internet for Fingerprint Drivers, perhaps these devices are supported by Linux too).
I have Upp64 on it, working without problem. The system is easily configurable(to respond to others questions) and it just simply fill my needs.
Other reason why i still remain with Ubuntu is that it still is in DistroWatch top. Now i have to wait 1 month until new 8.10 version of Ubuntu is released and see if i will remain with it from now on.