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Netscape Navigator 1.2 for Windows 95 builds on the success of the original Netscape Navigator, which currently accounts for more than 75 percent of browser traffic on the InterNet, according to statistics from popular Web sites. Netscape Navigator now available on the InterNet is a public beta version, enabling users to provide feedback on the software's features and functionality for Win95. Netscape Navigator 1.2 also runs with Microsoft Windows 3.1, preparing users to upgrade to Win95. As with the 1.1 release, Netscape will place the final version of Netscape Navigator 1.2 — *due out in September* — on the InterNet for free downloading.

Netscape Navigator is a powerful commercial browser offering high-performance and secure point-and-click network navigation. It is optimized to run smoothly over 14.4 kilobit/second modems as well as higher bandwidth lines, delivering performance up to ten times faster than other InterNet browsers. Netscape Navigator provides a common feature set and graphical user interface across computers running the Microsoft Windows, Macintosh, or X Window System operating environments.

The final version of Netscape Navigator 1.2 will include new features such as:

- **w** Win95 interface support including:
- w Drag-and-drop URLs
- w Win95 support for native dialog boxes —"Save" and "Print"
- Win95 feature integration including InterNet Shortcuts, which enable users to create icons to represent InterNet URLs. When a shortcut is double-clicked, Netscape Navigator launches to display the URL.

Shortcuts can be placed on the desktop or inside folders and directories, or can be embedded as mail objects.

 Enhanced Bookmarks interface provides drag and drop capabilities within a hierarchical folder-based interface. The interface will make it even easier for users to create and maintain a directory of their favorite

InterNet sites.

w New interface for FTP downloads that provides increased feedback to users.

The beta version of Netscape Navigator 1.2, available for Microsoft Windows 95 and Windows 3.1, can be obtained via anonymous FTP from ftp.netscape.com. Users who download the software do so for evaluation use only. When the final release is available, users can purchase supported, licensed copies of Netscape Navigator directly from Netscape Communications or from a Netscape authorized reseller. Pricing starts at \$39 per user, which includes a 90-day warranty and customer support. Volume discounts are available for multiple user licenses. Users who have purchased Netscape Navigator 1.1 or Netscape Navigator Personal Edition within the last 90 days are automatically licensed for full use of the 1.2 update, and can download it from the InterNet when the final version becomes available.

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Release notes for this version of the Netscape Navigator are available online. After starting the program, select "Release Notes" from the "Help" menu. This will take you to the URL

http://home.netscape.com/eng/mozilla/1.1/relnote s/windows-1.1.html which lists new features and known problems of this release. To submit bugs or other feedback, use the "How To Give Feedback" option, also in the "Help" menu, which will take you to the URL

http://home.netscape.com/home/how-to-give-feed back.html

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