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### Big screens for your PC

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#### 18.5-20in LCD MONITORS

##### AOC 917VW+

**STREET PRICE** \$185 / **WEB** [www.aocmonitor-anz.com](http://www.aocmonitor-anz.com)

You can get substantially more screen for little more than the cost of the 917Vw+, but if you're after a small LCD monitor, this is the one we'd recommend. AOC seems to have addressed its issues with colour depth and the 917Vw+ produces excellent, detail-rich images with deep blacks and bright colours. There's no escaping that this is a small (19in) TN panel, so don't expect phenomenal

viewing angles or boundless screen real estate. However, the relatively high 1,400 x 900-pixel resolution does help with the latter and picture-wise, this is the best of the small models we looked at. The price is a bit steep, but this is a new screen that isn't widely available yet, so online prices should drop.

**PC User says:** If you must have a 19in monitor, this is the one to get.

**85%**



#### 21.5-22in LCD MONITORS

##### AOC E2237FWH

**STREET PRICE** \$235 / **WEB** [www.aocmonitor-anz.com](http://www.aocmonitor-anz.com)

The industrial design doesn't quite have the pizzazz of other brands, but AOC is committed to making good-quality, inexpensive monitors. This one isn't the best-quality 22in screen we looked at, but in most cases it's very close, with great colours, plenty of detail and dark (but not crushed) blacks for desktop work, movies, PC and HD console gaming. Add to this 1080p resolution and a low-power, high-contrast TN

LED panel and there's little to complain about. The choice of HDMI, DVI and VGA inputs are also welcome. Our only complaints are the hilariously poor speakers (pretty much all treble) and dowdy design, complete with minimally adjustable stand. If you can get past that, it's a good monitor at a decent price.

**PC User says:** It delivers great images at a good price.

**85%**



#### 23-24in LCD MONITORS

##### AOC 2436VWH

**STREET PRICE** \$220 / **WEB** [www.aocmonitor-anz.com](http://www.aocmonitor-anz.com)

Don't be fooled by its \$220 street price — in testing, the 23.6in 1080p 2436Vwh punched well above its weight. With a little tweaking, it produced respectable, well-balanced pictures in our desktop, movie and game testing. While it's not quite as vibrant or high-contrast as some of the leaders in this category, most users will find this panel more than meets their needs. Its only real flaws are relatively minor. For example, though the 2436Vwh only has VGA and HDMI inputs, buying a low-cost HDMI cable (and/or HDMI-to-DVI adapter) will let you hook it up to the digital output on most PCs. Its touch-sensitive controls can also be a little hard to use initially, as they don't have text labels, only icons. And like most, this screen's built-in speakers (two 2W ones) are passable for casual use, but we'd recommend

a dedicated set. On the whole, if you're after a good-sized monitor and don't want to spend a heap of cash, this one would be our first choice.

**PC User says:** Decent image quality and very hard to argue with at this price.

**90%**

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