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Notes, Notices, and Cautions



NOTE: A NOTE indicates important information that helps you make better use of your computer.



NOTICE: A NOTICE indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.



CAUTION: A CAUTION indicates a potential for property damage, personal injury, or death.

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Package Contents

Your monitor ships with the components shown below. Ensure that you have received all the components and [contact Dell](#) if something is missing.

 **NOTE:** Some items may be optional and may not ship with your Monitor. Some features or media may not be available in certain countries.

	1 Monitor with stand
	1 Power Cable
	1 VGA Cable
	1 DVI Cable (Optional)



- 1 Drivers and Documentation media
- 1 Quick Setup Guide
- 1 Safety Information

Product Features

The **S2309W** flat panel display has an active matrix, thin-film transistor (TFT), liquid crystal display (LCD). The monitor features include:

- 23-inch (584.2 mm) viewable area display.
- 1920 x 1080 resolution, plus full-screen support for lower resolutions.
- Wide viewing angle to allow viewing from a sitting or standing position, or while moving from side to side.
- Tilt adjustment capability.
- Removable pedestal and Video Electronics Standards Association (VESA) 100 mm mounting holes for flexible mounting solutions.
- Plug and play capability if supported by your system.
- On-Screen Display (OSD) adjustments for ease of set-up and screen optimization.
- Software and documentation CD which includes an information file (INF), Image color Matching File (ICM), and product documentation.
- Energy Saver feature for Energy Star compliance.
- Security lock slot.

Identifying Parts and Features

Front View



Front View

Front panel controls

Label	Description
1	OSD Menu/Exit
2	Brightness & Contrast/Up (▲)
3	Auto-adjust/Down (▼)
4	Input Source Select/Select
5	Power button (with power light indicator)

Back View



Back view

Back View with monitor stand

Label	Description/Use
1	VESA mounting holes (100mm) (Behind attached base plate) To mount the monitor.
2	Barcode serial number label To contact Dell for technical support.
3	Security lock slot To help secure your monitor.
4	Dell Soundbar mounting brackets To attach the optional Dell Soundbar.
5	Regulatory rating label Lists the regulatory approvals.
6	Cable management slot To organize cables by placing them through the slot.

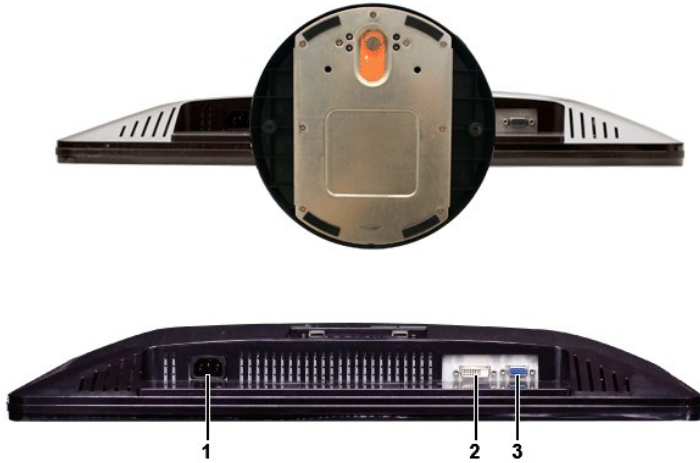
Side View



Right side

Left side

Bottom View



Bottom view

Label	Description
1	AC power cord connector
2	DVI connector
3	VGA connector

Monitor Specifications


Power Management Modes

If you have VESA's DPMS™ compliance display card or software installed in your PC, the monitor can automatically reduce its power consumption when not in use. This is referred to as Power Save Mode. If input from a keyboard, mouse or other input devices is detected by the computer, the monitor will automatically "wake up". The following table shows the power consumption and signaling of this automatic power-saving feature:


VESA Modes	Horizontal Sync	Vertical Sync	Video	Power Indicator	Power Consumption
Normal operation	Active	Active	Active	White	45 W (maximum) 29 W (normal)*
Active-off mode	Inactive	Inactive	Blanked	Amber	Less than 2 W
Switch off	-	-	-	Off	Less than 1 W

* Without Audio

Activate the computer and the monitor to gain access to the [OSD](#).

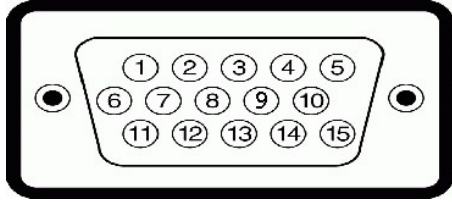
 **NOTE:** This monitor is ENERGY STAR®-compliant.



 **NOTE:** Zero power consumption in OFF mode can only be achieved by disconnecting the main cable from the monitor.

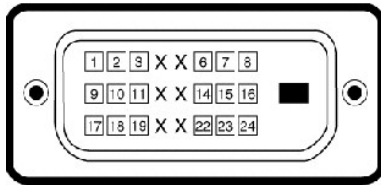
Pin Assignments

VGA Connector



Pin Number	15-pin Side of the Connected Signal Cable
1	Video-Red
2	Video-Green
3	Video-Blue
4	GND
5	Self-test
6	GND-R
7	GND-G
8	GND-B
9	Computer 5V/3.3V
10	GND-sync
11	GND
12	DDC data
13	H-sync
14	V-sync
15	DDC clock

DVI Connector



Pin Number	24-pin Side of the Connected Signal Cable
1	TMDS RX2-
2	TMDS RX2+
3	TMDS Ground
4	Floating
5	Floating
6	DDC Clock
7	DDC Data
8	Floating
9	TMDS RX1-
10	TMDS RX1+
11	TMDS Ground
12	Floating
13	Floating

14	+5V/+3.3V power
15	Self test
16	Hot Plug Detect
17	TMDS RX0-
18	TMDS RX0+
19	TMDS Ground
20	Floating
21	Floating
22	TMDS Ground
23	TMDS Clock+
24	TMDS Clock-

Flat Panel Specifications

Screen type	Active matrix - TFT LCD
Panel type	TN
Screen dimensions	23 inches (23-inch viewable image size)
Preset display area:	
Horizontal	509.184 mm (20.05 inches)
Vertical	286.416 mm (11.28 inches)
Pixel pitch	0.266 mm
Viewing angle	160° (vertical) typical, 170° (horizontal) typical
Luminance output	300 CD/m ² (typical)
Contrast ratio	1000 to 1 (typical)
Faceplate coating	Antiglare with hard-coating 3H
Backlight	CCFL edgelight system
Response Time	5 ms typical
Color Depth	16.7 mil colors
Color Gamut	82%*

* S2309W Color Gamut (Typical) is based on CIE1976 (82%) and CIE1931 (72%).

Resolution

Horizontal scan range	30 kHz to 83 kHz (automatic)
Vertical scan range	50 Hz to 76 Hz (automatic)
Optimal preset resolution	1920 x 1080 at 60 Hz
Highest preset resolution	1920 x 1080 at 60 Hz

Video Supported Modes

Video display capabilities (DVI playback)	480i/480p/576i/576p/720p/1080i/1080p (Supports HDCP)
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Preset Display Modes

Display Mode	Horizontal Frequency (kHz)	Vertical Frequency (Hz)	Pixel Clock (MHz)	Sync Polarity (Horizontal/Vertical)
VGA, 720 x 400	31.5	70.1	28.3	-/+
VGA, 640 x 480	31.5	59.9	25.2	-/-
VESA, 640 x 480	37.5	75.0	31.5	-/-
VESA, 800 x 600	37.9	60.3	40.0	+/+

VESA, 800 x 600	46.9	75.0	49.5	+/+
VESA, 1024 x 768	48.4	60.0	65.0	-/-
VESA, 1024 x 768	60.0	75.0	78.8	+/+
VESA, 1152 x 864	67.5	75.0	108.0	+/+
VESA, 1280 x 1024	64.0	60.0	108.0	+/+
VESA, 1280 x 1024	80.0	75.0	135.0	+/+
VESA, 1920 x 1080	67.2	60.0	173.0	-/+
VESA, 1920 x 1080	66.6	59.9	138.5	+/-

Electrical

Video input signals	Analog RGB, 0.7 Volts +/- 5%, positive polarity at 75 ohm input impedance Digital DVI-D TMDS, 600mV for each differential line, positive polarity at 50 ohm input impedance
Synchronization input signals	Separate horizontal and vertical synchronizations, polarity-free TTL level, SOG (Composite SYNC on green)
AC input voltage/frequency/current	100 to 240 VAC/50 or 60 Hz \pm 3 Hz/2.0A (Max.)
Inrush iso surge current	110 V: 30 A (Max.) 220 V: 60 A (Max.)

Physical Characteristics

Connector type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 D-sub: blue connector 1 DVI-D: white connector
Signal cable type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 D-sub: Detachable, Analog, 15pin, shipped attached to the monitor 1 DVI-D (Optional): Detachable, Digital, 24pin, shipped detached from the monitor
Dimensions (with stand)	
Height	401.33 mm (15.800 inches)
Width	554.50 mm (21.831 inches)
Depth	222.6 mm (8.764 inches)
Dimensions (without stand)	
Height	331.90 mm (13.067 inches)
Width	554.50 mm (21.831 inches)
Depth	62.94 mm (2.478 inches)
Stand dimensions	
Height	285 mm (11.22 inches)
Width	222.6 mm (8.764 inches)
Depth	222.6 mm (8.764 inches)
Weight	
Weight with packaging	7.66 kg (16.89 lb)
Weight of Monitor and Stand Assembly	5.67 kg (12.50 lb)
Weight without stand assembly (For wall mount or VESA mount considerations - no cables)	4.53 kg (9.99 lb)
Weight of stand assembly	1.14 kg (2.51 lb)

Environmental

Temperature	
Operating	0° to 40° C (32° to 104°F)

Non-operating	Storage: 0° to 60° C (32° to 140° F) Shipping: -20° to 60° C (-4° to 140° F)
Humidity	
Operating	10% to 80% (non-condensing)
Non-operating	Storage: 5% to 90% (non-condensing) Shipping: 5% to 90% (non-condensing)
Altitude	
Operating	3,657.60 m (12,000 ft) max
Non-operating	12,192 m (40,000 ft) max
Thermal dissipation	154 BTU/hour (maximum) 119 BTU/hour (typical)

Plug and Play Capability

You can install the monitor in any Plug and Play-compatible system. The monitor automatically provides the computer system with its Extended Display Identification Data (EDID) using Display Data Channel (DDC) protocols so that the system can configure itself and optimize the monitor settings. If required, the user can select different settings, but in most cases monitor installation is automatic.

LCD Monitor Quality & Pixel Policy

During the LCD Monitor manufacturing process, it is not uncommon for one or more pixels to become fixed in an unchanging state. The visible result is a fixed pixel that appears as an extremely tiny dark or bright discolored spot. When the pixel remains permanently lit, it is known as a "bright dot." When the pixel remains black, it is known as a "dark dot."

In almost every case, these fixed pixels are hard to see and do not detract from display quality or usability. A display with 1 to 5 fixed pixels is considered normal and within competitive standards. For more information, see Dell Support site at: support.dell.com.

Maintenance Guidelines

Caring for Your Monitor



CAUTION: Read and follow the [Safety Instructions](#) before cleaning the monitor.



CAUTION: Before cleaning the monitor, unplug the monitor from the electrical outlet.

For best practices, follow the instructions in the list below while unpacking, cleaning, or handling your monitor:

- 1 To clean your antistatic screen, lightly dampen a soft, clean cloth with water. If possible, use a special screen-cleaning tissue or solution suitable for the antistatic coating. Do not use benzene, thinner, ammonia, abrasive cleaners, or compressed air.
- 1 Use a lightly-dampened, warm cloth to clean the monitor. Avoid using detergent of any kind as some detergents leave a milky film on the monitor.
- 1 If you notice a white powder when you unpack your monitor, wipe it off with a cloth.
- 1 Handle your monitor with care as dark-colored monitors may scratch and show white scuff marks more than lighter-colored monitors.
- 1 To help maintain the best image quality on your monitor, use a dynamically changing screen saver and turn off your monitor when not in use.

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CAUTION: Safety Instructions

 **CAUTION:** Use of controls, adjustments, or procedures other than those specified in this documentation may result in exposure to shock, electrical hazards, and/or mechanical hazards.


For information on safety instructions, see the *Safety Information*.

FCC Notice (U.S. Only) and Other Regulatory Information

For FCC notices and other regulatory information, see the regulatory compliance website located at www.dell.com/regulatory_compliance.

Contacting Dell

For customers in the United States, call 800-WWW-DELL (800-999-3355).

 **NOTE:** If you do not have an active Internet connection, you can find contact information on your purchase invoice, packing slip, bill, or Dell product catalog.

Dell provides several online and telephone-based support and service options. Availability varies by country and product, and some services may not be available in your area. To contact Dell for sales, technical support, or customer service issues:

1. Visit support.dell.com.
 2. Verify your country or region in the **Choose A Country/Region** drop-down menu at the bottom of the page.
 3. Click **Contact Us** on the left side of the page.
 4. Select the appropriate service or support link based on your need.
 5. Choose the method of contacting Dell that is convenient for you.
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If you have a Dell™ desktop or a Dell™ portable computer with internet access

1. Go to <http://support.dell.com>, enter your service tag, and download the latest driver for your graphics card.
2. After installing the drivers for your Graphics Adapter, attempt to set the resolution to **1920x1080** again.

 **NOTE:** If you are unable to set the resolution to 1920x1080, please contact Dell™ to inquire about a Graphics Adapter that supports these resolutions.

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If you have a non Dell™ desktop, portable computer, or graphics card

1. Right-click on the desktop and click **Properties**.
2. Select the **Settings** tab.
3. Select **Advanced**.
4. Identify your graphics controller supplier from the description at the top of the window (e.g. NVIDIA, ATI, Intel etc.).
5. Please refer to the graphics card provider website for updated driver (for example, <http://www.ATI.com> OR <http://www.NVIDIA.com>).
6. After installing the drivers for your Graphics Adapter, attempt to set the resolution to **1920x1080** again.

 **NOTE:** If you are unable to set the resolution to 1920x1080, please contact the manufacturer of your computer or consider purchasing a graphics adapter that will support the video resolution of 1920x1080.

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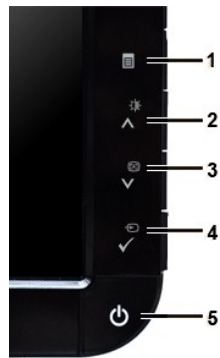
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



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Using the Front Panel

Use the control buttons on the side of the monitor to adjust the characteristics of the image being displayed. As you use these buttons to adjust the controls, an OSD shows the numeric values of the characteristics as they change.



Front panel Button		Description
1	 OSD Menu/Exit	The Menu button is used to open and exit the on-screen display (OSD), and exit from menus and sub-menus. See OSD Menu .
2	 Brightness /Contrast Hot Key	Use this button for direct access to the "Brightness" and "Contrast" control menu.
2 and 3	 Down and Up	Use these buttons to navigate and adjust the slider bar (decrease/increase ranges) controls in the OSD menu.
3	 Auto Adjust	Use this button to activate automatic setup and adjustment. The following dialog appears on a black screen as the self-adjusts to the current input: <div style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> Auto Adjustment in Progress... </div> Auto Adjustment  button allows the monitor to self-adjust to the incoming video signal. After using Auto Adjust can further tune your monitor by using the Pixel Clock (Coarse), Phase (Fine) controls in the OSD. <p>NOTE: Auto Adjust does not occur if you push the button while there are no active video input signals or attach cables.</p>
4	 Input Source Select/Select	Use the Input Source Select button to select between different video signals that may be connected to your monitor. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 VGA input 1 DVI-D input As you cycle through the inputs you will see the following messages to indicate the currently selected input source take a few seconds for the image to appear.

		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> 1: Auto Detect(Analog) </div> or <div style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> 2: Analog Input </div> </div> <div style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"> 3: Digital Input </div> <p style="font-size: small; margin-top: 5px;">If either VGA or DVI-D input is selected and both VGA and DVI-D cables are not connected, a floating dialog box as below appears.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <div style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> No VGA cable Dell S2309W </div> or <div style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> No DVI-D cable Dell S2309W </div> </div>
5	 Power button (with power light indicator)	<p>Use the power button to turn the monitor on and off.</p> <p>The white light indicates that the monitor is on and fully functional. An amber light indicates power save mode.</p>

Using the On-Screen display (OSD) Menu

NOTE: If you change the settings and then either proceed to another menu, or exit the OSD menu, the monitor automatically saves the changes. The changes are also saved if you change the settings and then wait for the OSD menu to disappear.

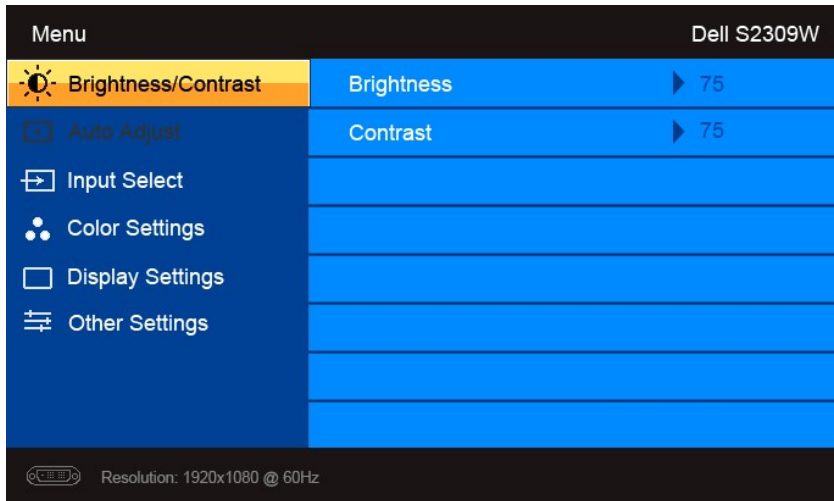
1. Push to launch the OSD menu and display the main menu.

Main Menu for Analog (VGA) Input

Menu	Dell S2309W	
Brightness/Contrast	Brightness	▶ 75
Auto Adjust	Contrast	▶ 75
Input Select		
Color Settings		
Display Settings		
Other Settings		
Resolution: 1920x1080 @ 60Hz		


Or






























Main Menu for non Analog (non VGA) Input

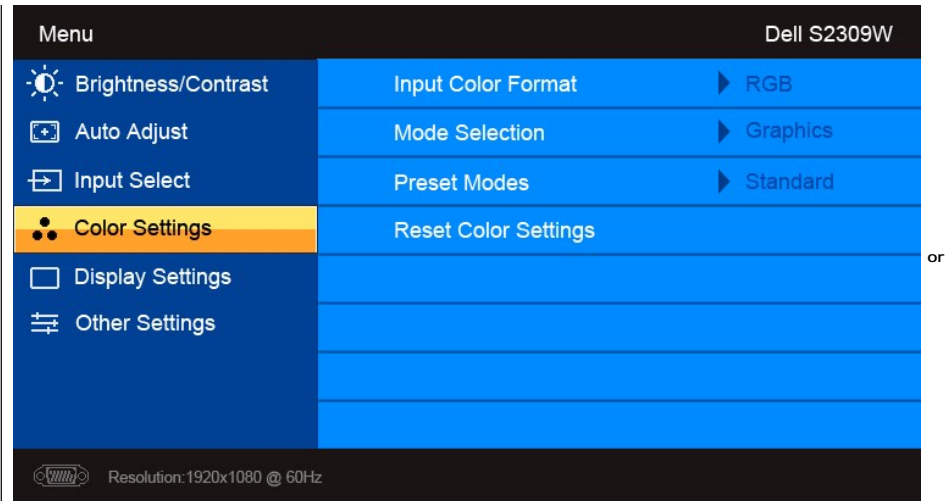


NOTE: Auto Adjust is only available when you are using the analog (VGA) connector.



2. Push the and buttons to move between the setting options. As you move from one icon to another, the option name is highlighted. See the table for a complete list of all the options available for the monitor.
3. Push the button once to activate the highlighted option.
4. Push and button to select the desired parameter.
5. Push to enter the slide bar and then use the and buttons, according to the indicators on the menu, to make your changes.
6. Push to return to the main menu or exit the OSD menu.


Icon	Menu and Submenus	Description
	Brightness/Contrast	Allows you to adjust the brightness and contrast. 
	Brightness	Brightness adjusts the luminance of the backlight. Push the button to increase the brightness and push the button to decrease the brightness (min 0 ~ max 100).
	Contrast	Adjust the Brightness first, and then adjust the Contrast only if further adjustment is necessary. Push the button to increase contrast and Push the button to decrease contrast (min 0 ~ max 100). The Contrast function adjusts the degree of difference between the darkest and lightest areas on the monitor screen.
	Back	Push to go back to or exit the main menu.

	Auto Adjust	<p>Even though your computer recognizes your monitor on startup, the Auto Adjustment function optimizes the display settings:</p> <div data-bbox="483 226 1091 331" style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> Auto Adjustment in Progress... </div> <p>NOTE: In most cases, Auto Adjust produces the best image for your configuration. This option is only available when you are connected.</p>														
	Input Source	<p>The Input Source menu is used to select between different video signals that may be connected to your monitor.</p> <div data-bbox="483 487 1321 982" style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Menu</th> <th style="text-align: right;">Dell S2309W</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> Brightness/Contrast</td> <td style="text-align: right;">✓ Auto Detect</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Auto Adjust</td> <td style="text-align: right;">VGA </td> </tr> <tr style="background-color: #ffcc00;"> <td> Input Select</td> <td style="text-align: right;">DVI-D </td> </tr> <tr> <td> Color Settings</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td> Display Settings</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td> Other Settings</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p style="font-size: small; margin-top: 5px;"> Resolution: 1920x1080 @ 60Hz</p> </div> <p>Auto Detect Scan for Sources. Push ✓ to scan for available input signals.</p> <p>VGA Select VGA input when you are using the analog (VGA) connector. Push ✓ to select the VGA input source.</p> <p>DVI - D Select DVI-D input when you are using the Digital (DVI) connector. Push ✓ to select the DVI input source.</p> <p>Back Push  to go back to or exit the main menu.</p>	Menu	Dell S2309W	 Brightness/Contrast	✓ Auto Detect	 Auto Adjust	VGA 	 Input Select	DVI-D 	 Color Settings		 Display Settings		 Other Settings	
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	Color Settings	<p>Use the color settings to adjust the Image mode and color format.</p> <p>Image mode submenu for VGA/DVI - D input</p>														



NOTE: Image modes are different between the VGA/DVI-D and Video inputs


Input Color Format	<p>Allows you to set the color format to:</p> <p>PC RGB-Suitable for normal PC graphics display over DVI</p> <p>HD YPbPr-Suitable for HD video playback over DVI.</p>
Mode Selection	<p>Allows you to set the display mode to Graphics or Video. If your computer is connected to your monitor, choose Graphics. If .</p>
Preset modes	
VGA/DVI -D input	
Standard	<p>Mode suitable for desktop applications.</p>
Multimedia	<p>Mode for multimedia applications, eg video playback.</p>
Game	<p>Mode suitable for gaming applications.</p>
Warm	<p>Select warm mode to obtain a red tint. This color setting is typically used for color-intensive applications (photograph image</p>
Cool	<p>Select cool mode to obtain a bluish tint. This color setting is typically used for text based applications (spreadsheets, progra</p>
Custom (RGB)	<p>Use the  or  button to increase or decrease each of the three colors (R, G, B) independently, in single-digit increments.</p>
Video input	
Movie	<p>Mode suitable for movie playback.</p>
Game	<p>Mode suitable for game applications.</p>
Sports	<p>Mode suitable for sports scenes.</p>

Nature	Mode suitable for nature scenes.
Hue	This feature can make the video image color shift from green to purple. Use this feature to adjust the skin tone. Use ▼ or ▲ to adjust the hue. ▼ increases the green hue in the image ▲ increases the purple hue in the image NOTE: Hue adjustment is only available for video input.
Saturation	Allows you to adjust the color saturation of the video image. Use ▼ or ▲ button to adjust the saturation from '0' to '100'. ▼ makes video image looks monochrome ▲ makes video image looks colorful NOTE: Saturation adjustment is only available for video input.
Reset Color Settings	Returns your monitor color settings to those that were set at the time of manufacture.
Back	Push  to go back to or exit the main menu.



Display Settings



Horizontal Position	Use the ▼ and ▲ buttons to adjust image left and right. Minimum is '0' (-). Maximum is '100' (+).
Vertical Position	Use the ▼ and ▲ buttons to adjust image up and down. Minimum is '0' (-). Maximum is '100' (+).
Sharpness	This feature can make the image look sharper or softer. Use ▼ or ▲ to adjust the sharpness from '0' to '100'.
Pixel Clock	The Phase and Pixel Clock adjustments allow you to adjust your monitor to your preference. These settings are accessed through 'Image Settings'. Use the ▼ and ▲ buttons to adjust for best image quality.
Phase	If satisfactory results are not obtained using the Phase adjustment, use the Pixel Clock (coarse) adjustment and then use F NOTE: Pixel Clock and Phase Adjustments are only available for "VGA" input.
Reset Display Settings	Resets the display settings to the original factory settings.
Back	Push  to go back to or exit the main menu.



Other Settings



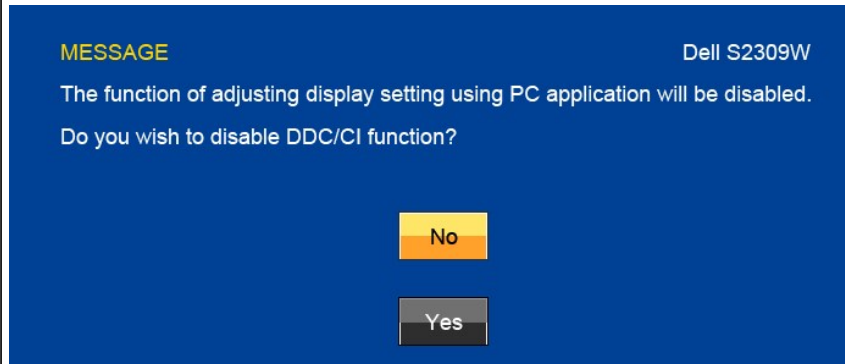
Language Language option to set the OSD display to one of five languages (English, Espanol, Francais, Deutsch, Japanese).

Menu Transparency Allows you to adjust the OSD background from opaque to transparent.



Menu Timer OSD Hold Time: Sets the length of time the OSD will remain active after the last time you pushed a button. Use the **▼** and **▲** buttons to adjust the slider in 5 second increments, from 5 to 60 seconds.

Menu Lock Controls user access to adjustments. When selected, no user adjustments are allowed. All buttons are locked except the menu button. **NOTE:** When the OSD is locked, pushing the menu button for 15 seconds will unlock and allow user access to all applicable settings. Pushing the menu button for 15 seconds will activate the Menu Lock function.

DDC/CI DDC/CI (Display Data Channel/Command Interface) allows your monitor parameters (brightness, color balance etc) to be adjusted by a PC application. You can disable this feature by selecting "Disable". Enable this feature for best user experience and optimum performance of your monitor.





LCD Conditioning If an image appears to be stuck on the monitor, select **LCD Conditioning** to help eliminate any image retention. Using the LCD Conditioning feature for several hours. Severe cases of image retention are known as burn-in, the LCD Conditioning feature does not remove burn-in.

		<p>WARNING MESSAGE Dell S2309W</p> <p>This feature will help reduce minor cases of image retention. Depending on the degree of image retention, the program may take some time to run.</p> <p>Do you want to continue?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="button" value="No"/> <input type="button" value="Yes"/> </p> <hr/> <p>LCD Conditioning is currently in progress. Press any button on the monitor to terminate LCD Conditioning at any time.</p> <p>Reset all OSD settings to the factory preset values.</p> <p>Factory Reset  Push  to go back to or exit the main menu.</p> <p>Back</p>
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OSD Warning Messages

When the monitor does not support a particular resolution mode you will see the following message :

<p>MESSAGE Dell S2309W</p> <p>The current input timing is not supported by the monitor display. Please change your input timing to 1920x1080 @ 60Hz or any other monitor listed timing as per the monitor specifications.</p> 	or	<p>MESSAGE</p> <p>The current input timing is not supported by Please change your input timing to 1920x1080 listed timing as per the monitor specification.</p> 
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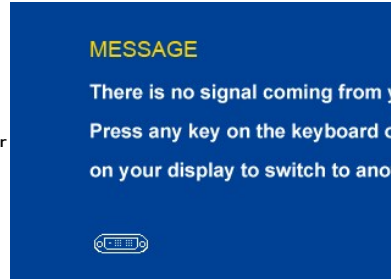
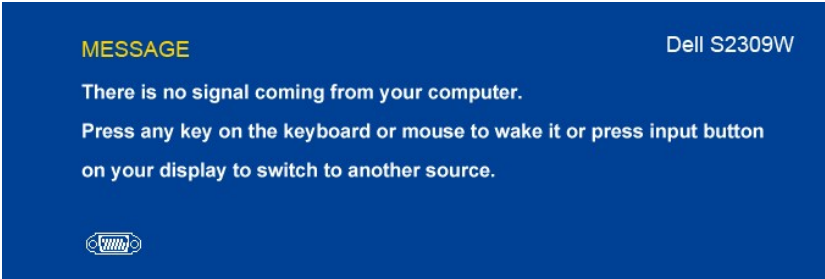
This means that the monitor cannot synchronize with the signal that it is receiving from the computer. See [Monitor Specifications](#) for the Horizontal and Vertical f monitor. The recommended mode is 1920 X 1080.

When monitor enters Power Save mode, the following message appears :

<p>MESSAGE Dell S2309W</p> <p>Entering Power Save Mode.</p> 	or	<p>MESSAGE Dell S2309W</p> <p>Entering Power Save Mode.</p> 
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Activate the computer and wake up the monitor to gain access to the [OSD](#)

If you push any button other than the power button one of the following messages will appear depending on the selected input:
VGA/DVI -D input



If either VGA or DVI-D input is selected and all VGA and DVI-D cables are not connected, a floating dialog box as shown below appears.



or



See [Solving Problems](#) for more information.

Setting the Optimal Resolution

To set the optimal resolution for the monitor.

1. Right-click on the desktop and select **Properties**.
2. Select the **Settings** tab.
3. Set the screen resolution to 1920 x 1080.
4. Click **OK**.

If you do not see 1920 x 1080 as an option, you may need to update your graphics driver. Depending on your computer, complete one of the following procedures.

If you have a Dell desktop or portable computer:

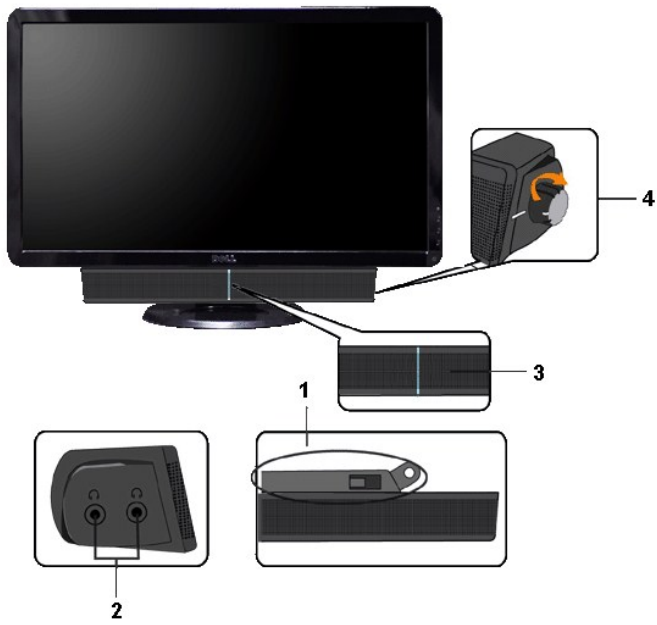
- o Go to support.dell.com, enter your service tag, and download the latest driver for your graphics card.

If you are using a non-Dell computer (portable or desktop):

- o Go to the support site for your computer and download the latest graphic drivers.
- o Go to your graphics card website and download the latest graphic drivers.

Using the Dell Soundbar (Optional)

The Dell Soundbar is a stereo two channel system adaptable to mount on Dell flat panel displays. The Soundbar has a rotary volume and on/off control to adjust the overall system level, a blue LED for power indication, and two audio headset jacks.

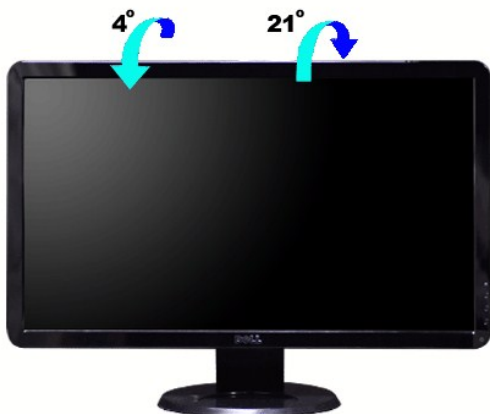



1. Attach mechanism
 2. Headphone connectors
 3. Power indicator
 4. Power/Volume control
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Using the Tilt

Tilt

With the built-in pedestal, you can tilt the monitor for the most comfortable viewing angle.



 **NOTE:** The stand is attached when the monitor is shipped from the factory.

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Important instructions to set the display resolution to 1920x1080 (Optimal)

For optimal display performance while using the Microsoft Windows® operating systems, set the display resolution to 1920 x 1080 pixels by performing the following steps:

1. Right-click on the desktop and click **Properties**.
2. Select the **Settings** tab.
3. Move the slider-bar to the right by pressing and holding the left-mouse button and adjust the screen resolution to **1920x1080**.
4. Click **OK**.

If you do not see **1920x1080** as an option, you may need to update your graphics driver. Please choose the scenario below that best describes the computer system you are using, and follow the provided directions:

1: [If you have a Dell™ desktop or a Dell™ portable computer with internet access.](#)

2: [If you have a non Dell™ desktop, portable computer, or graphics card.](#)

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Connecting Your Monitor

⚠ CAUTION: Before you begin any of the procedures in this section, follow the [safety instructions](#).

To connect your monitor to the computer perform the following steps/instructions:

1. Turn off your computer and disconnect the power cable.
2. Connect either the white (digital DVI-D (optional)) or the blue (analog VGA) display connector cable to the corresponding video port on the back of your computer. Do not use both cables on the same computer. Use both the cables only when they are connected to two different computers with appropriate video systems.

Connecting the blue VGA cable



Connecting the white DVI cable (optional)



NOTE: All monitors may not ship with a DVI cable. To purchase a DVI cable [Contact Dell](#).

NOTE: The Graphics are used for the purpose of illustration only. Appearance of the the computer may vary.

After you have completed connecting the DVI/VGA cable, follow the procedure below to complete your monitor setup:

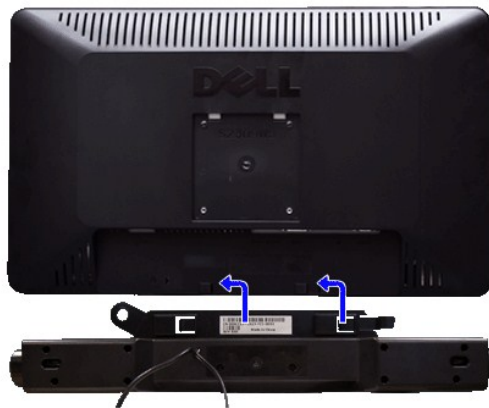
1. Plug the power cables for your computer and monitor into a nearby outlet.
2. Turn on the monitor and the computer.
If your monitor displays an image, installation is complete. If it does not display an image, see [Solving Problems](#).
3. Use the cable management slot on the monitor stand to organize the cables.

Organizing Your Cables



After attaching all necessary cables to your monitor and computer, (See [Connecting Your Monitor](#) for cable attachment,) use the cable management slot to neatly organize all cables as shown above.

Attaching the Soundbar



1. Working from the rear of the monitor, attach the Soundbar by aligning the two slots with the two tabs along the bottom rear of the monitor.
2. Slide the Soundbar to the left until it snaps into place.
3. Connect the Soundbar with the DC power connector.
4. Insert the mini stereo plug from the rear of the Soundbar into the computer's audio output jack.

👉 **NOTICE:** Do not use with any device other than the Dell Soundbar

🔧 **NOTE:** Soundbar Power Connector +12V DC output is for the optional Soundbar only.

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Self-Test

Your monitor provides a self-test feature that allows you to check whether your monitor is functioning properly. If your monitor and computer are properly connected but the monitor screen remains dark, run the monitor self-test by performing the following steps:

1. Turn off both your computer and the monitor.
2. Unplug the video cable from the back of the computer. To ensure proper Self-Test operation, remove both Digital (white connector) and the Analog (blue connector) cables from the back of computer.
3. Turn on the monitor.

The floating dialog box should appear on-screen (against a black background) if the monitor cannot sense a video signal and is working correctly. While in self-test mode, the power LED remains white. Also, depending upon the selected input, one of the dialogs shown below will continuously scroll through the screen.




4. This box also appears during normal system operation, if the video cable becomes disconnected or damaged.
5. Turn off your monitor and reconnect the video cable; then turn on both your computer and the monitor.




If your monitor screen remains blank after you have performed Step 5, check your video controller and computer system.


Built-in Diagnostics

Your monitor has a built-in diagnostic tool that helps you determine if the screen abnormality you are experiencing is an inherent problem with your monitor, or with your computer and video card.

 **NOTE:** You can run the built-in diagnostics only when the video cable is unplugged and the monitor is in *self-test mode*.

To run the built-in diagnostics:

1. Ensure that the screen is clean (no dust particles on the surface of the screen).
2. Unplug the video cable(s) from the back of the computer or monitor. The monitor then goes into the self-test mode.
3. Press and hold the  and  buttons on the front panel, simultaneously for 2 seconds. A gray screen appears.
4. Carefully inspect the screen for abnormalities.
5. Press the  button on the front panel again. The color of the screen changes to red.
6. Inspect the display for any abnormalities.
7. Repeat steps 5 and 6 to inspect the display in green, blue, and white colored screens.

The test is complete when the white screen appears. To exit, press the  button again.

If you do not detect any screen abnormalities upon using the built-in diagnostic tool, the monitor is functioning properly. Check the video card and computer.

OSD Warning Messages

For OSD-related issues, see [OSD Warning Messages](#).

Common Problems

The following table contains general information about common monitor problems that you might encounter and the possible solutions.

Common Symptoms	What You Experience	Possible Solutions
No Video/ Power LED off	No picture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Ensure that the video cable connecting the monitor and the computer is properly connected and secure. 1 Verify that the power outlet is functioning properly using any other electrical equipment. 1 Ensure that the power button is depressed fully.
No Video/ Power LED on	No picture or no brightness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Increase brightness & contrast controls via OSD. 1 Perform monitor self-test feature check. 1 Check for bent or broken pins in the video cable connector. 1 Run the built-in diagnostics.
Poor Focus	Picture is fuzzy, blurry, or ghosting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Perform Auto Adjust via OSD. 1 Adjust the Phase and Pixel Clock controls via OSD. 1 Eliminate video extension cables. 1 Reset the monitor to Factory Settings. 1 Change the video resolution to the correct aspect ratio (16:9).
Shaky/Jittery Video	Wavy picture or fine movement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Perform Auto Adjust via OSD. 1 Adjust the Phase and Pixel Clock controls via OSD. 1 Reset the monitor to Factory Settings. 1 Check environmental factors. 1 Relocate the monitor and test in another room.
Missing Pixels	LCD screen has spots	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Cycle power on-off. 1 Pixel that is permanently off is a natural defect that can occur in LCD technology. 1 Run the built-in diagnostics.
Stuck-on Pixels	LCD screen has bright spots	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Cycle power on-off. 1 Pixel that is permanently off is a natural defect that can occur in LCD technology. 1 Run the built-in diagnostics.
Brightness Problems	Picture too dim or too bright	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Reset the monitor to Factory Settings. 1 Auto Adjust via OSD. 1 Adjust brightness & contrast controls via OSD.
Geometric Distortion	Screen not centered correctly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Reset the monitor to Factory Settings. 1 Auto Adjust via OSD. 1 Adjust brightness & contrast controls via OSD. <p>NOTE: When using 'DVI-D', the positioning adjustments are not available.</p>
Horizontal/Vertical Lines	Screen has one or more lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Reset the monitor to Factory Settings. 1 Perform Auto Adjust via OSD. 1 Adjust Phase and Pixel Clock controls via OSD. 1 Perform monitor self-test feature check and determine if these lines are also in self-test mode. 1 Check for bent or broken pins in the video cable connector. 1 Run the built-in diagnostics. <p>NOTE: When using 'DVI-D', the Pixel Clock and Phase adjustments are not available.</p>
Synchronization Problems	Screen is scrambled or appears torn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Reset the monitor to Factory Settings. 1 Perform Auto Adjust via OSD. 1 Adjust Phase and Pixel Clock controls via OSD. 1 Perform monitor self-test feature check to determine if scrambled screen appears in self-test mode. 1 Check for bent or broken pins in the video cable connector. 1 Restart the computer in the <i>safe mode</i>.
Safety Related Issues	Visible signs of smoke or sparks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Do not perform any troubleshooting steps. 1 Contact Dell immediately.
Intermittent Problems	Monitor malfunctions on & off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Ensure that the video cable connecting the monitor to the computer is connected properly and secure. 1 Reset the monitor to Factory Settings. 1 Perform monitor self-test feature check to determine if the intermittent problem occurs in self-test mode.
Missing Color	Picture missing color	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Perform monitor self-test feature check. 1 Ensure that the video cable connecting the monitor to the computer is connected properly and secure. 1 Check for bent or broken pins in the video cable connector. 1 Run the built-in diagnostics.
Wrong Color	Picture color not good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Change the Color Setting Mode in the Color Settings OSD to Graphics or Video dependent application. 1 Try different Color Preset Settings in Color Settings OSD. Adjust R/G/B value in Color Management if the Color Management is turned off. 1 Change the Input Color Format to PC RGB or YPbPr in the Advance Setting OSD. 1 Run the built-in diagnostics.
Image retention from a static image left on the monitor for a long period of time	Faint shadow from the static image displayed appears on the screen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Use the Power Management feature to turn off the monitor at all times when not in use. For more information, see Power Management Modes. 1 Alternatively, use a dynamically changing screensaver.

Product Specific Problems

SPECIFIC SYMPTOMS	WHAT YOU EXPERIENCE	POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS
Screen image is too small	Image is centered on screen, but does not fill entire viewing area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Perform monitor reset on "Factory Reset"
Cannot adjust the monitor with the buttons on the front panel	OSD does not appear on the screen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Turn the monitor off and unplug the power cord and then plug back and power on
No Input Signal when user controls pressed	No picture, the LED light is amber. When press "▲", "▼", or "Menu" key, the message " No VGA cable" or "No DVI-D cable" will appear.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Check the signal source Make sure the Computer is not in power saving by moving pressing any key on the keyboard. 1 Check whether the signal cable is plugged in and seated properly. Re-plug the sign necessary. 1 Re-boot the computer or video player.
The monitor will not fill the entire screen.	The picture can't fill the height or width of the screen.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Due to the non-standard formats of DVDs, the monitor may not show the full screen

 **NOTE:** When choosing DVI-D, [Auto Adjust](#) function is not available.

Troubleshooting the Dell™ Soundbar

COMMON SYMPTOMS	WHAT YOU EXPERIENCE	POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS
No Sound	Soundbar has power - power indicator is on.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Plug the audio line-in cable into the computer's audio out jack. 1 Set all Windows volume controls to their maximum. 1 Play some audio content on the computer (i.e. audio CD, or MP3). 1 Turn the Power/Volume knob on the Soundbar clockwise to a higher volume setting 1 Clean and reseal the audio line-in plug. 1 Test the Soundbar using another audio source (i.e. portable CD player).
Distorted Sound	Computer's sound card is used as the audio source.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Clear any obstructions between the Soundbar and the user. 1 Confirm that the audio line-in plug is completely inserted into the jack of the sound 1 Set all Windows volume controls to their midpoints. 1 Decrease the volume of the audio application. 1 Turn the Power/Volume knob on the Soundbar counter-clockwise to a lower volume 1 Clean and reseal the audio line-in plug. 1 Troubleshoot the computer's sound card. 1 Test the Soundbar using another audio source (i.e. portable CD player).
Distorted Sound	Other audio source is used.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Clear any obstructions between the Soundbar and the user. 1 Confirm that the audio line-in plug is completely inserted into the jack of the audio 1 Decrease the volume of the audio source. 1 Turn the Power/Volume knob on the Soundbar counter-clockwise to a lower volume 1 Clean and reseal the audio line-in plug.
Unbalanced Sound Output	Sound from only one side of Soundbar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Clear any obstructions between the Soundbar and the user. 1 Confirm that the audio line-in plug is completely inserted into the jack of the sound source. 1 Set all Windows audio balance controls (L-R) to their midpoints. 1 Clean and reseal the audio line-in plug. 1 Troubleshoot the computer's sound card. 1 Test the Soundbar using another audio source (i.e. portable CD player).
Low Volume	Volume is too low.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Clear any obstructions between the Soundbar and the user. 1 Turn the Power/Volume knob on the Soundbar clockwise to the maximum volume se 1 Set all Windows volume controls to their maximum. 1 Increase the volume of the audio application. 1 Test the Soundbar using another audio source (i.e. portable CD player).

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