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TOPIC ---

I have a Macintosh IIsi and 12-inch monitor. I see only four or 16 colors
as selections in the control panel under monitors -- but I should have
8-bit color. What is happening here?

DISCUSSION --

Here are a few suggestions that might cure your problem:

- Open the Monitors control panel. Click on the Options button. In the
  dialog box which appears, you can set aside more RAM for displaying colors.
  Click the button marked: "Up to 256 Colors/Grays" Click the OK button to
  return to the Monitors control panel.

- ZAP PRAM. Under System 6.0.x, hold down the Command-Option-Shift keys while
  selecting the control panel. Click OK. Under System 7.x, hold down the
  Command, Option, P and R keys while starting up your Macintosh. When the
  Macintosh restarts again, release the keys.

- Restart from a System Tools Disk. If you can then select
  8-bit color, trash and then reinstall the System Folder on the hard
  drive.

- If the above options don't work for you, you may have a problem
  with the Macintosh IIsi Logic Board.

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