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Yahoo has started offering a beta version of its toolbar for the open source browser Firefox on Apple Mac OS X and Linux.

The Firefox version of the Yahoo toolbar, which includes extended bookmarking and anti-spyware features, has been available on Microsoft Windows since February. Before then, the toolbar was only available for Microsoft's Internet Explorer (IE).

Earlier this month, Google released a beta version of its toolbar for Firefox users on Windows, Linux and Mac. The Google Toolbar, which provides features such as spellchecking and translation, has been available on IE for more than four years.

The availability of such applications on Firefox is further evidence of the growing importance of the open source browser. Over the last year Firefox has taken a significant proportion of the browser market from IE, obtaining more than 10 percent of it in some countries.

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