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Chinese Input using Dvorak Layout (Microsoft Pinyin IME); 微軟拼音輸入法 Dvorak 佈局

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If you type Chinese, but also uses the [Dvorak Keyboard Layout](#), how do you get the Chinese input system to use Dvorak layout? Here's the answer for Microsoft Windows (tested with Vista and 7).

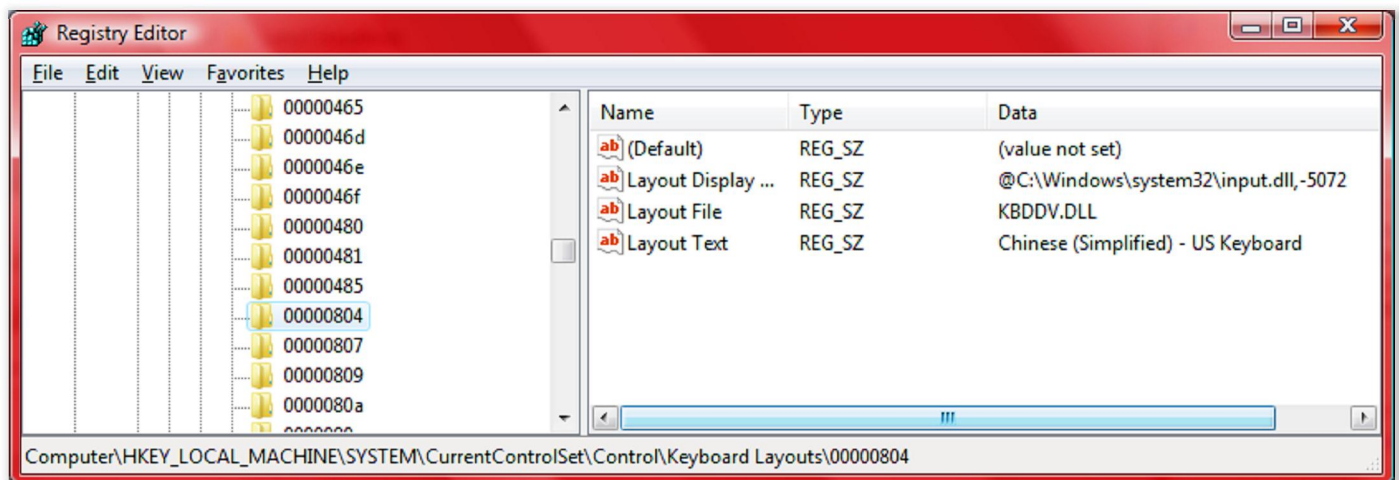
Press [**Win** + **r**] then type `%regedit+`. Then, go to the folder in this path:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\Keyboard Layouts\00000804

That's the folder for Chinese simplified.

In the one named `%layout File+`, change the value to `%KBDDV.DLL+`

Then, restart Windows. (relogin might also work.)



^ Microsoft Registry showing the Chinese (simplified) input method.

Here's the folder name for some other languages.

Language	Folder Name	Original "Layout File" value
Chinese Simplified	00000404	KBDUS.DLL
Chinese Traditional	00000404	KBDUS.DLL
Japanese	0000411	KBDJPN.DLL
Korean	0000412	KBDKOR.DLL

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Reference: *(Not all keyboards are included in MSKLC's lists)* 2005-04-16, by Michael S Kaplan. @ blogs.msdn.com/b/michkap. (Note that Michael is the one who created the [Microsoft Keyboard Layout Creator](#).)

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