

**NAME**

XpmCreateImage - create an XImage from an XPM

**SYNOPSIS**

```
int XpmCreateImageFromData(Display *display, char **data,  
    XImage **image_return, XImage **shapeimage_return,  
    XpmAttributes *attributes);
```

```
int XpmCreateImageFromBuffer(Display *display, char *buffer,  
    XImage **image_return, XImage **shapeimage_return,  
    XpmAttributes *attributes);
```

```
int XpmCreateImageFromXpmImage(Display *display, XpmImage *image,  
    XImage *image_return, XImage *shapeimage_return,  
    XpmAttributes *attributes);
```

**ARGUMENTS**

*display*

Specifies the connection to the X server.

*data*

Specifies the location of the data.

*image\_return*

Returns the image which is created.

*shapeimage\_return*

Returns the shape mask image which is created if the color None is used.

*attributes*

Specifies the location of a structure to get and store information (or NULL).

*shapeimage*

Specifies the shape mask image which is created if any.

**DESCRIPTION**

**XpmCreateImageFromData**

To create an XImage from an XPM data, use **XpmCreateImageFromData()**.

The **XpmCreateImageFromData()** function allows you to include in your C program an XPM file which was written out by functions such as **XpmWriteFileFromImage(3)** or **XpmWriteFileFromPixmap(3)** without reading in the file. **XpmCreateImageFromData()** exactly works as **XpmReadFileToImage(3)** does and returns the same way. It just reads data instead of a file. Here again, it is the caller's responsibility to free the returned images, the colors and possibly the data returned into the XpmAttributes structure.

### **XpmCreateImageFromBuffer**

To create an XImage from an XPM buffer, use **XpmCreateImageFromBuffer()**. The **XpmCreateImageFromBuffer()** function works the same way as **XpmReadFileToImage(3)**, it just parses the buffer instead of the file. Be aware that the feature provided on some systems by **XpmReadFileToImage(3)** to deal with compressed files is not available here.

### **XpmCreateImageFromXpmImage**

To create an XImage from an XpmImage, use **XpmCreateImageFromXpmImage()**. From the given XpmImage and XpmAttributes if not NULL, **XpmCreateImageFromXpmImage()** allocates colors and creates X images following the same mechanism as **XpmReadFileToImage(3)**. When finished the caller must free the images using **XDestroyImage(3)**, the colors using **XFreeColors(3)**, and possibly the data returned into the XpmAttributes using **XpmFreeAttributes(3)**.

### **SEE ALSO**

**XpmFreeAttributes(3)**, **XpmReadFileToImage(3)**