

Height of an average human head:

Male: **9.4 in / 23.9 cm** for 99th percentile

8.6 in / 21.8 cm for 50th percentile

Female: **9.4 in / 23.9 cm** for 99th percentile

8.6 in / 21.8 cm for 50th percentile

Source:

<http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/6/61/HeadAnthropometry.JPG>

Distance from eyes to tablet at a “relaxed” (elbows at 90 degrees) posture:

43 cm / 17 in

Diagonal Field Of View (DFOV) of webcam:

60 degrees

Aspect ratio:

16 : 9

Length of diagonal of image at given distance and DFOV:

$d = 2 * 43 * \tan(0.5 * 60) = \mathbf{49.65\ cm / 19.55\ in}$

Height of width image at given distance and DFOV:

$(16*x)^2 + (9*x)^2 = (49.65)^2$

→ $x = 2.7046$

→ height = $9*x = \mathbf{24.34\ cm / 9.58\ in}$, width = $16*x = \mathbf{43.27\ cm / 17.04\ in}$

Resolution: **720p** (1280 x 720)

720p / 9.58 in = **75 pixels / inch**

Bounding box of human eye:

height = 2 in

width = 2.5 in

At 75 pixels per inch, the resolution of the eye area will be ~ **187 x 150**.

To calculate an approximate expected visual angle at this resolution:

Average radius of human eye = **12 mm**

75 px / in gives **0.339 mm per pixel**

Using inverse tangent, this gives a visual angle of **1.62 deg per pixel**

This value is less than 2 deg, the ideal specification for visual angle.