
Subject: Re: Price Range For A Gaming Computer
Posted by [EvilWhiteDragon](#) on Sat, 09 May 2009 05:59:02 GMT
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Zack wrote on Sat, 09 May 2009 06:09:1) Can someone explain north bridge and south bridge more?

Quote: there different chipsets that handle different functions of the motherboard
example would be most southbridge chipsets manage the onboard usb ports
i would normally think integrated video
not sure offhand
i suppose it depends on the motherboard
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northbridge_\(computing\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northbridge_(computing))

north and southbridge are not that important anymore, as the traditional primary function of the northbridge has been taken over by the CPU in both INtel as AMD latest generation

2) Whats the fastest and most comma PCI slow (with speed)?
Uhh. Re-phrase your question. I can't understand it.

PCI speed isn't relevant, but if you want to know PCI-e 16x 2.0 is the fastest what you can get

3) Whats better not in your eyes but overall intel or amd?
Like lone said. Intel is more expensive for a reason.

If you got the money I'd go for a core i7, if you're tight on budget then a top of the line AMD phenom II is certainly not a bad investment

4) whats a good amount of volts for a power supply?
I bought a 750W for my rig just last month. So far I can't say that's enough, but I've had people buy similar and say it's enough.

Most people buy PSU's that are way too heavy for their system. I have yet to see a system (non overclocked and no sli configuration) that uses 350+watts. I myself have a 580 Watts PSU and got a Core i7 (@4GHz@1,4v) 2x 1TB HDD, 1x 250GB HDD, ATI HD4870 1GB OC edition, audigy 2 ZS, and a shitload of USB pheperals connected. Runs fine, and I bet that my PSU is in the most efficient range now, with load(a PSU is most efficient with about 50% load).

5) whats a good vido card for games now days? what i mean is lets say nvidia 9800 gt now lets say this one is recommended for most games, now tell me that so I know that I dont need to get a higher one for a higher price

nVidia 8800GT, 9X00xx and the GTS250 are all the same GPU's just renamed. Wouldn't buy one of those, because they are pretty old already. I'd recommend a Nvidia 275GTX/285GTX or an ATI HD4870/HD4890 1GB edition. You should make sure that the videocard has more than 512MB if you want to be somewhat future proof

The latest from nVidia is the GeForce 250GTX or something like that. They're about \$200 (could

be \$300) when I saw them in Bestbuy the other day looking for a new harddrive.
Added in some comments
