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Subject: Re: Which Motherboard?

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trooprm02 wrote on Sun, 10 August 2008 21:37Ok, so basically my new system will be running 800mhz 4GB ram, socket am2 6000, and 2x8600GT sli. Im looking for a good mother board with built in sound card but to my surprise there was VERY limited selection to socket am2 period. Ive been using a few sites, tigerdirect.ca is the cheapest and ships to canada so don't suggest newegg, etc.

<http://www.tigerdirect.ca/applications/SearchTools/item-details.asp?EdpNo=3642074&CatId=2050>

^Cheaper, basically has the same features as the asus, minus firewire and dual gigabit lan. But better intergrated audio (7.1 hd altek)

<http://www.tigerdirect.ca/applications/SearchTools/item-details.asp?EdpNo=2824015&CatId=2050>

^Almost double, worse audio card, bigger in size (worried the msi one might not be able to bolt down correctly to my case) e-sata, firewire and dual gigabit lan, of those 3 I don't use a single one but im thinking ahead (resale), and better brand name +well known model (M2N, and its the higher end SLI-Deluxe).

Basically, is the asus worth the extra money? Any have experience with MSI? If you have ever toyed with overclocking with MSI, mind detailing the experience (how OC friendly is MSI)?

P.S: The msi is actually 8x-8x sli, which is basically sli v1, but im not sure if the Asus sli is the same. For my current board it is (A8N-Sli Deluxe), does anyone know or can find if the M2N Sli-Deluxe is "true sli" (16x-16x)? Thanks.

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OC friendly enough, there is hardly any bad motherboard makers out there. Some claim they use better components though.. this could be very well true Gigabyte uses advanced japanese mosfets on there motherboards, and Ferite core choke Coil.

But since you want to overclock why do you make the choice for an AMD 6000? and not a Core 2 duo or Qaud.? Even on stock speed the AMD gets outrun...

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