
Subject: Re: Price Range For A Gaming Computer
Posted by [Chuck Norris](#) on Sun, 10 May 2009 09:48:41 GMT
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IronWarrior wrote on Fri, 08 May 2009 15:28Wow, you must be living in a cave.You must not be comprehending me. My arguments are based on the fact that these aren't the best price to performance parts, not that they're not better than something inferior.IronWarrior wrote on Fri, 08 May 2009 15:28You only need to see Futuremark results to see the performance on how great the i7 CPU's are and since the i7 920 is only 200 or so GPU and can be OC'ed to 4-5GHz on AIR, shit overclockers are getting them to 6-7GHz on LN2Since when was Futuremark the be all end all of how good a CPU is? There's many aspects to that (heat output, power usage, efficiency, and yes, I'd say price even), and a benchmark is the last of them.

Liquid nitrogen? It's nice that it's possible, but it's not practical. Core 2 CPUs go just as far. So what? Will any of that matter to SSnipe?

4-5GHz? That's believable, but again, not so common. Show me results that have good temperatures and voltage levels without exotic cooling, and no, XtrmeSystems.org loses you points (since we know the best of the best are there and that hardly reflects a good mean average to judge something by).

Do you have a Core i7? You have water cooling? How much did you put into it. How far did it overclock? Those things are said to get warm with air cooling (though some people have found disabling Hyper-threading can help lower temperatures).IronWarrior wrote on Fri, 08 May 2009 15:28CFX and SLi are not a waste at all, again, look at benchmarks, am using CFX now and am getting FPS gain in most games I play, including Renegade.Benchmarks!? It's about real world results!

SLi and Corssfire give gains, but you pay twice for two cards (and more for an SLi or Crossfire motherboard), and get much less than two times the gain. SLi and Crossfire scale better with Core i7, and it is improving, but it's still not worth it to most people.IronWarrior wrote on Fri, 08 May 2009 15:28SSD's are not a waste at all, they are a revolution in storage, the fact that they give 0.1 or so seconds in read times, which allows for programs for example like games to start up fully soon as you click the icon while a old HDD drive can take 10-50x longer.

Have you even seen any benchmarks for them, lol?Ungh, benchmarks again? It's easy to say 10-50x, but in most circumstances, it's not uncommon for a SSD to not even be 3x or even 2x quicker than a standard HDD.

I look forward to HDDs being replaced by SSDs, and actually want it to happen faster, but it's not there yet. SSDs read quicker, but can tend to write slower. They also tend to have a shorter lifetime, and that's a concern with HDDs as it is, let alone the higher price and shorter lifetime combination fails. When they improve and price comes down, things will transition, but right now, the premium isn't worth it.IronWarrior wrote on Fri, 08 May 2009 15:28One thing we can agree on is that if he wants a good computer, than the next gen is almost here, nVidia GT300 GPU's are almost here, DX11 and ATI's 5870X2 as well as Intels i5 CPU's.I would advise waiting until the new GPUs come out, but the Core i5 isn't anything to concern yourself with really.
