
Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [bigejoe14](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 02:36:59 GMT
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I recently upgraded from an ATI Radeon 9100 (PCI) to an ATI Radeon 9600XT (AGP).

There's a problem I want to fix that's really getting to me. My display will randomly crash for no apparent reason. It doesn't matter if I'm playing a game or just screwing around in Windows. My screen will just all of a sudden go black and the light on my monitor will turn orange. I've already tried reinstalling my drivers, changing some BIOS settings, even exchanging it for a new one but it still hasn't solved my problem. I can assure you that it's not overheating. I can't think of anything else to do.

Any ideas?

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 02:55:21 GMT
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I had this with my old system, which is what caused it to get fuckee-fucked.

The processor is overheating, that's the most likely situation. Leave it on for a bit and touch the processor. If you get burned, there's the problem.

Or you can monitor it from the system setup screen if it has a hardware monitor. You're pretty much fucked, and unless you get a totally new system, you might as well get ready to lose all of your hard drive accessibility because Windows will corrupt and not allow you to boot it.

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [Renx](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 03:02:05 GMT
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Uuuh...Sounds like fun, eh Joe?

Damn, that sucks

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Posted by [bigejoe14](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 03:16:04 GMT
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Are you fucking kidding me? I just bought this system 3 weeks ago!

I'll see if I can just up the fan speed once the processor gets to a certain temperature. I do have a hardware monitor program with an alarm that alerts me when it gets too high. I'll leave it open and

play a game to see if it goes off.

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [mrpirate](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 04:54:57 GMT
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Try running the card in 4x AGP mode, this sounds like it could be an AGP/voltage issue.

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [gibberish](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 05:49:19 GMT
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mrpirate Try running the card in 4x AGP mode, this sounds like it could be an AGP/voltage issue.

I had a similar problem with a 9700 Pro card.

In the end it turned out to be a (lack of) power problem.
I put in an Enermax Power supply and the problem went away.

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [Xtrm2Matt](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 06:59:48 GMT
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Go into your Bios -> PC Health Status. Everything you'll ever need to know about your PC is in there

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [Mad Ivan](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 07:46:28 GMT
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i had a slightly different problem with my NVIDIA GeForce4 MX/MX 440, the system kept restarting. I sent the pc to my hardware guys and they said its fixed...but the problem started yesterday again...while playing Renegade...

AMD AthlonXP 1300 (1000mhZ)
512MB RAM
NVIDIA GeForce4 MX/MX 440 128MB

I hardly run Ren anyways (dont ask how i run Generals)

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [flyingfox](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 13:35:49 GMT
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I occasionally have this problem too, but only when running games, as well as restarts without warning and freezing. I think it could be both an ATI related issue as WELL as a processor/power supply issue. Maybe not. I've been using the same power supply since before a system upgrade that started causing the trouble.

Here's a handy program you can use to monitor temperatures; if you can be bothered running it then running your game in windowed mode to check the taskbar icon (temp). There are 3 temperatures, I'd say you want to keep them all under 50 if you can.

<http://www.almico.com/speedfan.php>
<http://www.almico.com/speedfan412.exe>

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [Mad Ivan](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 19:32:00 GMT
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ok...this is disturbing me!
Fan01:3184 RPM
(I have no other fans)
HD0:42C
HD1:54C (!!!WTF?)

I think i found my problem
Anything i can do to fix it without buying more fans?

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [visorneon](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 19:32:44 GMT
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I had same problem with an old Radeon card, so i switched over to GeForce and ive had no problems as yet

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Posted by [Mad Ivan](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 19:36:30 GMT
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the card caused the high temperature?

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [Doitle](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 20:12:06 GMT
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Mine started overheating almost right after I bought mine too, but it's been overheating and restarting itself randomly for almost 3 years now. Still runnin good. It's fast right til the restart. I've tried remedeying it, I even installed a fan but when it's hot out it still overheats even with the added fan. It's a midtower case so I think part of the problem is the powerful components so close together. Maybe a little more info on the computer? The size case and fan placement maybe?

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Posted by [Mad Ivan](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 20:32:00 GMT
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mid-sized i guess. I aint no expert...looks to me like the fan is...erm...err...located in the far top ...err "space"...and my case says "MT-3000" on it...as i said, i aint no expert, i dont understand hardware alot...

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [bigjoe14](#) on Wed, 26 May 2004 22:50:27 GMT
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Thermal grease save yet another computer!

Subject: Video Card\Display Randomly Crashing
Posted by [.fr0zen](#) on Thu, 27 May 2004 05:43:44 GMT
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hmm I have a GeForce FX 5200 and sometimes when playing either coh or ren it'll crash to the blue screen and say "Memory Dump error" or some stupid shit like that and it only does that on coh and ren not cs.. and this comp is only like 2 months old.. *shrugs*

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Posted by [Mad Ivan](#) on Thu, 27 May 2004 06:44:02 GMT
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well, i think i found my problem.
We have a UPS, and i didnt notice that my father put it right next to the computer. That makes the side of the PC Case go verry hot and thus making the inside hot too.
I opened my case today and i am running with it opened as we speak. The current remperature HD1 is 42C and HD0 is 31C so i think its good...
Ill run it for some time and see what happens. Keep your fingers crossed
