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Compare Your System

Most of the analysis at PC Pitstop compares your PC to the best performance obtainable for your class of PC. This section is different; it shows how your PC compares to software requirements and other PCs we've tested, and to our minimum recommendations.

Standings Tips

In the tips and the tables, **red** indicates a serious problem, **yellow** a minor problem, and **blue** a suggestion.

There are no Comparison tips for this test run.

Performance Analysis

Your PC seems to be a recent model, so it probably makes more sense to upgrade it (if necessary) than to buy a new one.

The table below summarizes the major areas of your desktop PC and how they compare to our recommended levels for performance and features for a new PC. You can use this information when shopping for upgrades or a new PC. See below for information on how we calculate the database percentile. If you do consider a new system, please see our tips for upgrading.

Area	Your PC	Database Percentile	Recommended Minimum	Overall Rating
System	Intel Core2, 2660 MHz	73	1000 MHz	
Memory	3071 MB	97	256 MB	XX
Disk	465.75 GB	92	20 GB	888
Video Resolution	1024 x 768, 16- bit	N/A	800x600, 16-bit	**

Database Percentile: This number shows you how your PC compares to all other computers that have been tested at PC Pitstop. For example, your system score of 73 indicates that 27 percent of all systems tested at PC Pitstop had a higher clock speed than your computer. Higher numbers are better of course, with 100 meaning it's in the top 1 percent of all the

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RAM Upgrade: Adding memory is one of the most cost-effective ways to dramatically--and instantly--improve your PC's performance.

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systems we've tested.

Recommended Minimum: If

you're buying a *new PC*, these are the minimum specifications we recommend to ensure that the PC remains useful for several years. You may be able to get a few more years of life out of an existing PC with specifications below these, but may have performance and compatibility problems if you try to upgrade its hardware or software.

Results from similar systems

The table below shows average scores for systems with similar clock speed to yours. The first row represents the current score for this system. Note that AMD and Intel systems often perform very differently at the same clock frequency; AMD uses a "processor rating" for many of their CPUs rather than the actual clock MHz.

CPU Type	Clock MHz	# PCs Tested			Disk Score
Intel Core2	2661	(yours)	20584	11658	62
AMD Athlon 64 X2 Dual Core 3800+	2667	16	16989	10145	52
AMD Athlon 64 X2 Dual Core 4200+	2667	16	16337	10021	56
AMD Athlon 64 X2 Dual Core 4400+	2667	10	17188	10047	59
AMD Athlon 64 X2 Dual Core 4600+	2667	24	16608	10087	61
AMD Athlon 64 X2 Dual Core 4800+	2667	21	16903	10067	56
AMD Athlon 64 X2 Dual Core 5200+	2667	22	17008	10246	43
Intel Core2	2667	135	18546	10180	52
Intel Core2 Duo	2667	116	18792	10749	49
Intel Pentium D	2667	705	8179	6011	42
AMD Athlon 64 X2 Dual Core 5000+	2700	17	17393	10288	55
AMD Athlon 64 X2 Dual Core 5200+	2700	45	17325	10194	49

Best video results for similar PCs

This table shows the best average scores we have recorded for a particular video board and driver for systems with a CPU and MHz similar to yours. The first row represents the current score for this system. Remember that PC Pitstop's test measures 2D performance; the speed of a particular board on 3D applications such as games may be very different. Also, video performance and system reliability can vary greatly as a function of the drivers that are being used. A driver that provides the highest score may not provide the best image quality and/or system stability. (You can use <u>Driver Alert</u> to see if you have the latest driver.)

Score Pixel Tested Video board and driver description

227 (yours) NVIDIA GeForce 8800 GTS 512

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