
Subject: Re: Bad Day Main PC Mother Board Failed
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Been there, done that, and it's a real bummer. The PC I'm using to post this is one whose motherboard I replaced in 2003 or 2004 when the original died. I needed to replace it ASAP because it was my business computer back then, so I had no choice except to get a replacement board locally or else buy a new machine altogether.

As luck would have it, the original's CPU socket was obsolete, so I had to buy a new CPU along with the new board. All I could get locally was a low-end Gigabyte with DDR RAM, and the only CPU they had was a single-core Sempron. AAMOF, I think DDR2 had then only just hit the market. So, this thing's not only a dinosaur, but a bottom-end dinosaur at that. But hey, it works great for what little I use it for.

I'm now on my 2nd power supply, and I think 4th HDD and 4th optical drive. The next time something dies, I'm gonna have to build a brand new one because compatible parts are pretty near unobtainium these days. I just built some really spicy new computers with SSDs (15 second bootup!) for my wife's workplace, which has given me the itch to upgrade anyway!

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