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Thread: [The do NOT buy Nvidia RTX 4000 series unless you are legally an idiot thread](#)

webdev77 - September 24, 2022, 8:40 am

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MH8J-u2Sui0>

Gary - September 24, 2022, 8:46 am

AMD 6000 series cards just had a price drop as well.

VGO - September 24, 2022, 10:30 am

Thanks for the Info!

I won't I'm happy with my 3090

Gary - September 24, 2022, 11:06 am

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webdev77 - September 24, 2022, 11:10 am

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Lyrica - September 24, 2022, 11:34 am

Only thing I can think of is r/theydidthemath.

Gary - September 27, 2022, 7:23 am

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webdev77 - September 27, 2022, 4:23 pm

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Real news of the day is Intel is launching the Arc A770 with MSRP of \$329 and performance around that of an RTX 3060.

<https://videocardz.com/newz/intel-announces-arc-a770-gpu-at-329-launches-october-12th>

That'll put significant pressure on prices as that is sufficient performance for the majority of people. No reason to spend triple that amount for only a slightly better experience.

Upgrader - September 27, 2022, 4:31 pm

[Gary](#) I think [webdev77](#) is telling you to get a 40 series

webdev77 - September 28, 2022, 4:39 pm

(Sep 28, 2022 04:34 PM) Dyne Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I'm hitting two Gt1030 2gbs and I'm happy. Ezpz. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_jqnaf_SpAU ?

It's honestly way better than I expected and ironically somewhat usable for playing games.

Edit: And to add on, there was an AMD 6900 XT on sale for \$640 today. That's about ~2% faster than an RTX 3080 at 1440p gaming.

Gary - September 28, 2022, 5:45 pm

(Sep 28, 2022 04:43 PM) Dyne Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I love the GT 1030 for just running multiple monitors lol I don't play games so they're literally perfect. Really compliments the 128gb RAM and i9

EDIT:

Look how cute they look
Why don't you play vidya games Dyne!?!

I'm surprised they still make GT 730s and 1030s tbh.

You Just Got Sarged - September 29, 2022, 6:17 am

Spoiler ([Click to View](#)) Nvidia Fuck You!

Kat? Upton - September 30, 2022, 6:22 am

The first time I read their announcement of two 4080s I lost a lot of respect for NVidia. They simply could of just been honest and called one a 4070 or maybe a 4060Ti. It's so shady, knowing most people will just see the VRAM difference and think they are the same die.

Malevolent - October 1, 2022, 4:26 pm

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There is no need for AMD to do anything ahead of official launch. Most sane people have decided it's not worth spending >\$1000 on GPUs when the current generation has the same performance vs. price ratio and can get a 3080/3090 for much less.

You could get 4x A770s for less than a single 4090 and still have enough for an A750 left over. ?

Bastille - October 2, 2022, 12:53 pm

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You do have to subtract 20% off those prices as they include tax if you want to compare against listed US retail prices. The RTX 4090 is actually cheaper in France than the US on a pre-tax basis.

Update: This AMD RX 6900XT was on sale for \$579 today briefly. The 6900XT beats a 3080 Ti. Now look at Nvidia's prices.

<https://www.newegg.com/xfx-radeon-rx-6900-xt-rx-69xtaqfd9/p/N82E16814150865>

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Yin Yang - October 3, 2022, 3:49 pm

I got a PC build right when covid hit and I'm glad the owner was able to upgrade my NVIDIA GeForce RTX 2080 to a SUPER because it took so long to get it shipped.

But it's wild that these new one's are utter crap.

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That's what I did with my current build, or attempted to do.

Corsair + ASUS was the original plan but it turned into a Corsair + ASUS + Gigabyte affair.

Gary - October 5, 2022, 11:21 am

Unboxing embargos lifted today

Angela White - October 5, 2022, 11:22 am

I paid \$1,600 for my 3080ti 12gb during the GPU shortage lol

LeetSpeed - October 8, 2022, 12:53 pm

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Tizen - October 9, 2022, 1:43 am

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This precisely. AMD's RX 6900 XTs are now going on sale for <\$600. For a full \$1000 less, you get most of the performance. Kind of hard to argue that a few extra FPS is worth over a thousand dollars.

SIM-1349466 - October 9, 2022, 6:38 pm

After this, i'd love to see what the new AMD gpus have to offer.

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I wonder what joke cards they'll release halfway through the year. Can't wait for the 4090 Ti leaks to start happening in the next couple months.

Nvidia's greed will catchup to them.

Gary - October 14, 2022, 8:19 pm

Interesting news regarding the 4080 12GB

Quote:The RTX 4080 12GB is a fantastic graphics card, but it's not named right. Having two GPUs with the 4080 designation is confusing.

So, we're pressing the "unlaunch" button on the 4080 12GB. The RTX 4080 16GB is amazing and on track to delight gamers everywhere on November 16th.

If the lines around the block and enthusiasm for the 4090 is any indication, the reception for the 4080 will be awesome. source

Spoiler ([Click to View](https://www.nvidia.com/en-us/geforce/news/12gb-4080-unlaunch/))<https://www.nvidia.com/en-us/geforce/news/12gb-4080-unlaunch/>

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See, even Nvidia knows you shouldn't buy such BS. ?

Quite an embarrassment for those marketing people who said this was even remotely acceptable.

Cyam - November 8, 2022, 2:17 pm

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As for 3080 Ti vs 3080, just check the benchmarks for the games you play to see if it matters. The difference between 160fps and 170fps is meaningless but 140fps vs. 80fps would be quite noticeable.

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Smexy - December 2, 2022, 12:40 pm

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You sir have excellent taste in games and I 1000% agree that better graphics does not equate to better game play.