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Subject: OT: Intel core i7 processor?

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Anyone here jump onto the new core i7 processor?

I was about to take the plunge for an Intel quad core system, but now, it looks like the i7 is a better choice. Or is it???

There's a Dell system I can get (in Canada, at [http://configure.dell.com/dellstore/con ... DSXPS\\_F\\_2E](http://configure.dell.com/dellstore/con...DSXPS_F_2E)) which boils down to this: for CDN\$1299 you get the i7-920, 6G of tri-channel memory, Vista premium 64 bit, 1TB of disk space, and a 23 in widescreen HD monitor. The questions are:

- do I need to worry about the i7 risks (heat, memory voltage, whatever else)?
- assuming my needs exclude gaming, and that I believe I can live without any future upgrades (other than perhaps more ram), is this a good system at a good price?

I know there are a lot of folks here with experience building computers, so I thought I'd ask around. For the record, I don't have the time or the knowledge required to assemble my own from parts (I wouldn't know what compatibility issues to look out for).

Opinions?

Thanks.  
Dan

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