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Posted by [JeffH](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 20:55:18 GMT

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For basic computing (word processing, email, web surfing, not overly animated presentations) it is probably fine. The celeron will be slower and the intel graphics used shared memory insted of their own dedicated (also slower).

Just my .02

Jeff

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Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 20:56:46 GMT

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Posted by [Chris Ludwig](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:13:25 GMT

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Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 21:28:18 GMT  
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Oh, and no ,not for audio.

Just for general use and some power point.

DC

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Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Wed, 21 Nov 2007 22:23:04 GMT  
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Thanks guys!

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Posted by Erling on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 09:30:47 GMT

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There's menus in XP, with different things to do popping up, when using a rightclick on the mouse. Have you tried it on the antivirus icon down at the right corner? Haven't used AVG but have used a lot of antivirus programs up against the years in XP and all had a rightclick menu, as far as I remember.

Erling

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Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 12:35:35 GMT  
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"John" <no@no.com> wrote:

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>>  
>>>confirm the EULA fits.  
>>> <http://www.openoffice.org>  
>>>  
>>>AA  
>>>  
>>>"DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote in message news:474516f1\$1@linux...  
>>>>  
>>>> It's a charity thing for my teenager's youth room at church. They have  
>>>> NO money and want to do Power Point for lyrics and that sort of  
>>>> thing. A dual head vid card would be a nice thing, but anything is  
>>>> better than what they have, as long as it doesn't break. Being that  
it  
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>>>> will  
>>>>  
>>>> be paid for by a donor who has little money themselves, cheap is really  
>>>> important. I just want to avoid it if it is a hand grenade...

>>>>  
>>>> BTW, I could not for the life of me figure out how to disable AVG  
>>>> Internet  
>>>> Security! I liked the product, but I had to connect to a DSP box that  
>>>> uses static IP addressing and antivirus programs almost always won't  
>>>> let you do that. Being that I was offline, and only using the box,  
I  
>>>> needed to disable AVG and could not find out how to do so. Ideas?  
>>>>  
>>>> I am trying the demo of Eset Nod32 at the moment, and it is easy  
>>>> to disable, runs fast and seems to slow down other app less than the  
>>>> others I have tried. Do you like that as well as AVG?  
>>>>  
>>>> It's funny, I have spent so much time with the PC in the last 2 weeks  
>> that  
>>>> for the first time, Macs seem kind of odd and foreign to me...  
>>>>  
>>>> Never thought that would happen.  
>>>>  
>>>> thanks for all the help  
>>>>  
>>>> DC  
>>>>  
>>>> "Aaron Allen" <know-spam@not\_here.dude> wrote:  
>>>>>I assume you're keeping the cost down purposely. Celeron will be slower,  
>>>> get  
>>>>>2 GB of RAM on it, and stay away from Vista anything... go WinXP.XP  
home  
>>>> for  
>>>>>well, home use and Pro if you need to join a domain. For basic  
>>>>>house/small  
>>>>  
>>>>>biz you should be good for 2~3 years. Oh, get a DVD instead of CD  
>>>>>because  
>>>> so  
>>>>>many things are going to start shipping their installers on DVD  
>>>>>now/future.  
>>>>  
>>>>>Besides, for the price difference these days it makes zero sense to  
  
>>>>>limit  
>>>>  
>>>>>yourself over \$30-\$40 between the two options.  
>>>>>  
>>>>>No gaming, video or audio production for this puppy, but it'll do the  
>>  
>>>>>above  
>>>>

>>>>>well enough. Don't buy into the demoware crap Dell loads on it with

>>>>>McAfee

>>>>

>>>>>or Norton. Instead use AVG for AntiVirus, Zone Alarm for a free firewall  
>>>> and

>>>>>Microsoft Windows Defender for Anti Spyware. If it doesn't ship with

>>>>>internet explorer version 7, get the free upgrade to that at

>>>>>microsoft.com

>>>>

>>>>>and make sure you install Microsoft Update at the same place (or more

>>>>>directly, at update.microsoft.com).

>>>>>

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>>>>>AA

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>>>>>"DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote in message news:47448d7e\$1@linux...

>>>>>>

>>>>>> Hey all, Is this computer any good?

>>>>>>

>>>>>> Heard anything about it?

>>>>>>

>>>>>> thanks

>>>>>>

>>>>>> DC

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>>>>>> <http://configure.us.dell.com/dellstore/config.aspx?c=us&cs=04&kc=6W300&l=en&oc=brdd2fc&s=bsd>

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Subject: Re: Is this any good?

Posted by [Erling](#) on Sun, 25 Nov 2007 09:36:34 GMT

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Don, maybe it's time to have a look at this free product for homeusers:

[http://www.download.com/Avast-Home-Edition/3000-2239\\_4-10747\\_101.html?tag=lst-1](http://www.download.com/Avast-Home-Edition/3000-2239_4-10747_101.html?tag=lst-1)



It was a musician friend of mine that said it was the only antivirus program that didn't interfere with any of his programs some years ago. He is also a good programmer and knows really well what he's talking about. Some years ago he was involved in great problems with Symantec Antivirus products and his Nuendo software, so he tested different antivirus products and ended up with Avast. Me too and most of my family have now used it for years with it's problemfree behavings with our programs.

Erling

On 25 Nov 2007 06:05:21 +1000, "DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote:

>  
>Thanks. I spoke with the DSP manufacturer and indeed, AVG does  
>interfere with their product. Once I uninstalled it, all was fine.  
>We wish that manufacturer would go to DHCP like the rest of the  
>universe, but noooo...  
>  
>So far NOD is doing well.  
>  
>DC  
>  
>"Aaron Allen" <know-spam@not\_here.dude> wrote:  
>>Hit control+alt+delete. That's windows task manager. Go to the processes  
>  
>>tab. Find:  
>>avgamsvr.exe  
>>avgcc.exe  
>>avgemc.exe  
>>avgupsvc.exe  
>>  
>>End process those, and avg should be off. Restart AVG from the all programs  
>  
>>menu. That being said, I've never had it interfere with operation (my  
>>serious recording pc's never touch the net except for updates if that is  
>  
>>necessary) on my net boxes, so I've had no need to kill it. However, if  
>  
>>you're happy with NOD, stay the course.  
>>  
>>AA  
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