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Macintosh Quadra: Speed of On-Board Video vs. Display Card 8•24

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TOPIC -----

What is the speed difference using on-board video in the Macintosh Quadra 950 compared to using a Macintosh Display Card 8•24?

DISCUSSION -----

The Quadra 950's built-in video is faster.

Here are the video test results from Speedometer 3.1 (a shareware benchmarking program) for the Macintosh Quadra 900 using built-in video and the Macintosh Display Card 8•24. Note: Speedometer 3.1 uses a Macintosh II with the original Macintosh II Video Card as a reference speed of 1.0 with a higher number meaning faster:

Macintosh Quadra 900 Using Built-in Video

Black & White: 4.468
4 Colors: 4.692
16 Colors: 4.685
256 Colors: 4.528
Color Test Average: 4.593

Macintosh Quadra 900 Using the Macintosh Display Card 8•24

Black & White: 3.476
4 Colors: 3.300
16 Colors: 2.860
256 Colors: 2.417
Color Test Average: 3.013

Macintosh Quadra 950 Using Built-in Video

Black & White: 5.894
4 Colors: 6.350
16 Colors: 6.513
256 Colors: 6.568
Color Test Average: 6.331
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