Intel® Gigabit CT Desktop Adapter

Bringing PCI Express® Gigabit Performance to the Desktop

Connectivity You Can Count On
For PCs with PCI Express® (PCIe*) slots, the Intel® Gigabit CT Desktop Adapter offers the newest technology for maximizing system performance and increasing end-user productivity. Specifically, the Intel Gigabit CT Desktop Adapter uses auto-negotiation to ensure the adapter runs at the highest available network speed (10, 100, or 1000 Mbps), and maintains full bandwidth capacity with the dedicated bandwidth of a PCIe input/output (I/O) bus to provide connectivity you can count on. Based on the low-power Intel® 82574L Gigabit Ethernet Controller, this desktop adapter offers optimal performance in a low-cost, low-power, compact profile. Teaming support and an array of other advanced features enable customers to use this adapter as an entry-level server adapter as well.

PCI Express Makes Gigabit Ethernet Even Faster
PCI Express is the third-generation I/O standard with performance that supersedes the previous PCI and PCI-X* slot standards. The key to PCIe performance is its higher dedicated I/O bandwidth. Unlike the PCI bus, which shares its I/O resources with all devices on the bus, PCIe dedicates its I/O to a single device. The Intel Gigabit CT Desktop Adapter allows you to take advantage of this dedicated I/O by combining Gigabit Ethernet with PCI Express to provide high-performance network connectivity for desktops with PCI Express slots. Make the Intel Gigabit CT Desktop Adapter your choice for applications utilizing rich media content such as video streaming, web applications, music, and gaming.

Quick and Easy Installation
Like all Intel® Network Adapters, the Intel Gigabit CT Desktop Adapter is supported by Intel® PROSet Utility for Microsoft® Device Manager and Intel® PRO intelligent install. Intel PROSet simplifies adapter installation and gives you point-and-click power for configuring and managing all of your Intel Network Connections.

Enhancing Desktop Performance Enhances Network Performance
Fast servers and server connections are important for high network performance. However, server speed cannot overcome the drag of slow desktop performance. When a desktop PC initiates a transaction with the network server, the server quickly performs its portion of the transaction, but must wait for the desktop PC to complete its part of the transaction. The slower the PC, the longer the server must wait for transaction completion before moving to the next transaction. With PCIe Gb performance to the desktop, transactions on the PC side complete significantly faster, allowing the network to service more transactions faster.
# Intel® CT Desktop Adapter Features and Benefits

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<td>Intel® 82574L Gigabit Ethernet Controller</td>
<td>High performance and reliability; low power</td>
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<td>Interrupt moderation</td>
<td>Delivers increased performance while significantly reducing CPU usage</td>
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<td>PCI Express* x1 slot compatible</td>
<td>Designed for high performance on PCI Express desktop architecture while maintaining compatibility with PCI applications</td>
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<td>Compatible with Fast Ethernet and Ethernet</td>
<td>Reduces deployment and training costs and enables easy, quick migration to Gigabit Ethernet</td>
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<td>10/100/1000 Mbps auto-negotiation</td>
<td>Automatically compatible with Ethernet, Fast Ethernet, and Gigabit Ethernet networks</td>
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<td>Support for most network operating systems</td>
<td>Enables widespread deployment</td>
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<td>Advanced configuration and power interface</td>
<td>Enables low-power consumption, remote wake, and remote booting</td>
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<td>Remote Management Support</td>
<td>Reduces support costs with remote management based on industry-wide standards</td>
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<td>Intel® PROSet Utility for Microsoft* Device Manager</td>
<td>Provides point-and-click power over individual adapters, advanced adapter features, connection teaming, and virtual local area network (VLAN) configuration</td>
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<td>Advanced cable diagnostics</td>
<td>Dynamically tests and reports network problems (error rate, cable length) and automatically compensates for cable issues (cross-over cable, wrong pin-out/polarity)</td>
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<td>Intel backing</td>
<td>Backed by an Intel® limited lifetime warranty, 90-day, money-back guarantee (U.S. and Canada), and worldwide support</td>
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<td>Optimized queues: 2 Transmit (Tx) and 2 Receive (Rx)</td>
<td>Efficient packet prioritization</td>
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<td>MSI-X support</td>
<td>• Minimizes the overhead of interrupts&lt;br&gt;• Allows load balancing of interrupt handling between different cores/CPUs</td>
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## Order Codes

- Single Unit: EXPI9301CT
- Bulk Pack: EXPI9301CTBLK <br>(order 20, get 20)²

## Companion Products

Consider these Intel® products in your server and network planning:
- Intel® 10 Gigabit Server Adapters for PCI and PCI Express Interfaces
- Intel® PRO/1000 Server Adapters <br>– Copper or fiber-optic network connectivity, up to four ports per card <br>– Solutions for PCI Express, PCI-X®, and PCI interfaces
- Intel® PRO/1000 Desktop Adapters for PCI Express and PCI interfaces
- Other Intel® Desktop and Server Adapters
- Intel® Xeon® Processors
- Intel® Server Boards

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## Specifications

### General

- **Product Codes**
  - EXPI9301CT
  - EXPI9301CTBLK (Order 20, get 20)

- **Connectors**
  - RJ45

- **IEEE standards/network topology**
  - 10/100/1000BASE-T

- **Wiring**
  - Category-5 UTP, 4-pair

- **Platform Feature**
  - User benefit as single-line bullets
    - Xen*
    - FreeBSD* 5.x or later
    - ESX* 3.x* support (for VMware)

### Adapter Product Features

- Intel® PROSet Utility for easy configuration and management
- Limited lifetime warranty

- Plug and play specification support
- Standard

- Advanced Software Features
  - Test switch configuration
  - TCP checksum offload
  - Transition control protocol (TCP), user diagram protocol (UDP), Internet protocol (IP)
  - IEEE 802.1q*, VLAN Support
  - TCP segmentation/large send offload
  - Teaming support

### Network Management

- Wired for Management (WfM) baseline v2.0 enabled for servers
- TxF/Rx IP

### Technical Features

- Data rate supported per port
  - 10, 100, and 1000 Mbps

- ACPI* 1.0 power management
- Bus type
  - PCI Express 1.1 (2.5 GT/s)

- Wake on LAN* support over PCI Express*
- Bus width
  - x1 lane PCI Express operable in x1, x4, x8, x16 slots

- PXE 2.0 enabled through boot read-only memory (ROM)
- Bus speed (x1, encoded rate)
  - 2.5 Gbps uni-directional, 5 Gbps bi-directional

### Network Operating Systems (NOS) Software Support

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<th>Windows* 2000</th>
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<th>802.3z*</th>
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<td>Windows* Server 2003</td>
<td>Hardware certifications</td>
<td>FCC B, UL, CE, VCCI, BSMI, CTICK, MIC</td>
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<td>Windows* Server 2008</td>
<td>Controller-processor</td>
<td>Intel® 82574L</td>
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<td>Windows Professional XP* SP3</td>
<td>Typical power consumption</td>
<td>1.9 W</td>
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<td>Windows Vista* SP1</td>
<td>Operating temperature</td>
<td>0°C to 55°C (32°F to 131°F)</td>
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<td>Linux* RHEL 4.6</td>
<td>Storage temperature</td>
<td>-40°C to 70°C (-40°F to 158°F)</td>
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<td>Linux* Kernel version 2.6.24</td>
<td>Storage humidity</td>
<td>90% non-condensing relative humidity at 35°C</td>
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<td>Linux* Kernel version 2.4.36.2</td>
<td>LED Indicators</td>
<td>LINK/ACTIVITY LED: off=NO LINK; on=LINK; blinking=ACTIVITY; SPEED LED: off=10 Mb; green=100 Mb; yellow=1000 Mb</td>
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### Physical Dimensions

| SLES* 9 SP4 | Length | 11.92 cm (4.696 in) |
| SLES* 10 SP1 | Width | 5.53 cm (2.181 in) |
| FreeBSD* 7.0 | Height of end bracket | 12 cm (4.725 in) |
For more information on the full line of Intel® Network Adapters for PCI Express*, please visit http://www.intel.com/products/ethernet/overview.htm

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2 One driver CD per BLK SKU

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