



# Industry Benchmarks Performance



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# Performance history

- MIPS (Million Instructions Per Second)
- Whetstone. Floating-point. Was first written in Algol 60 in 1972. Later written in Fortran.
- Dhrystone 1984. Non-floating-point
- FLOPS. Floating-point Operations Per Second
- LINPACK 1970s. Largely replaced by LAPACK. Floating-point. Often used to express performance of HPC systems
- TPC, Transaction Processing Performance Council Business oriented transaction benchmark including a database

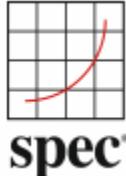
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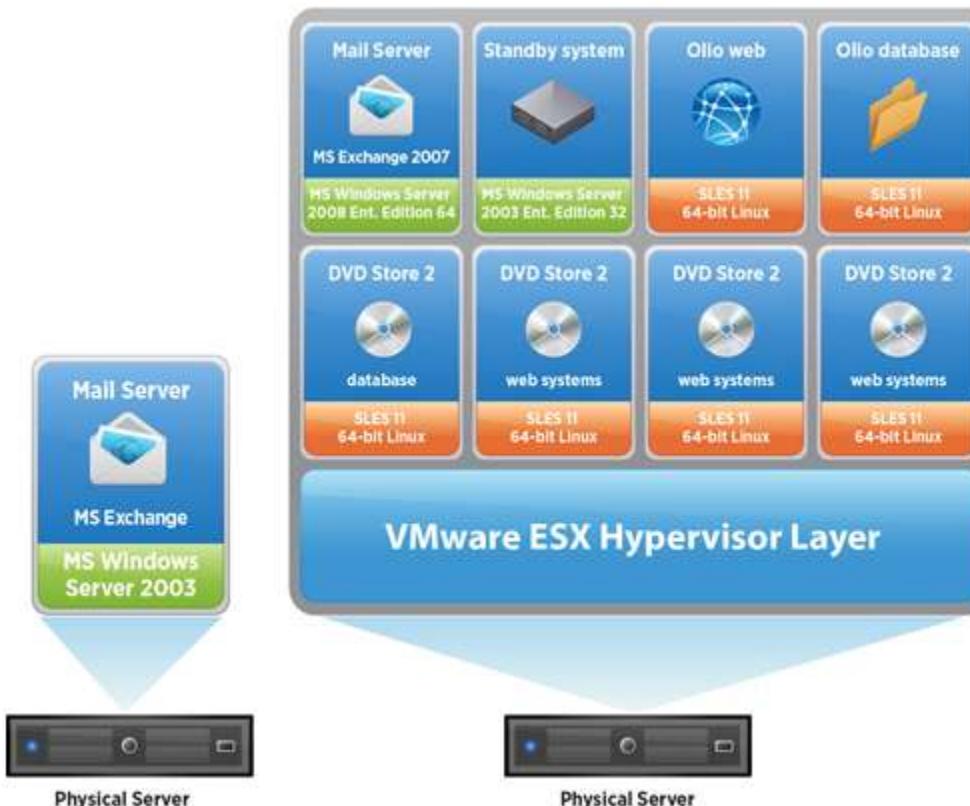
**Standard Performance Evaluation Corporation**

- SPEC CPU2006; CFP2006 & CINT2006. Designed to provide performance measurements that can be used to compare compute-intensive workloads on different computer systems.
- SPECjbb2005: A benchmark for evaluating the performance of servers running typical Java business applications
- SPECpower\_ssj2008 : is the first industry-standard SPEC benchmark that evaluates the power and performance characteristics of volume server class and multi-node class computers.

# VMware VMmark 2.0



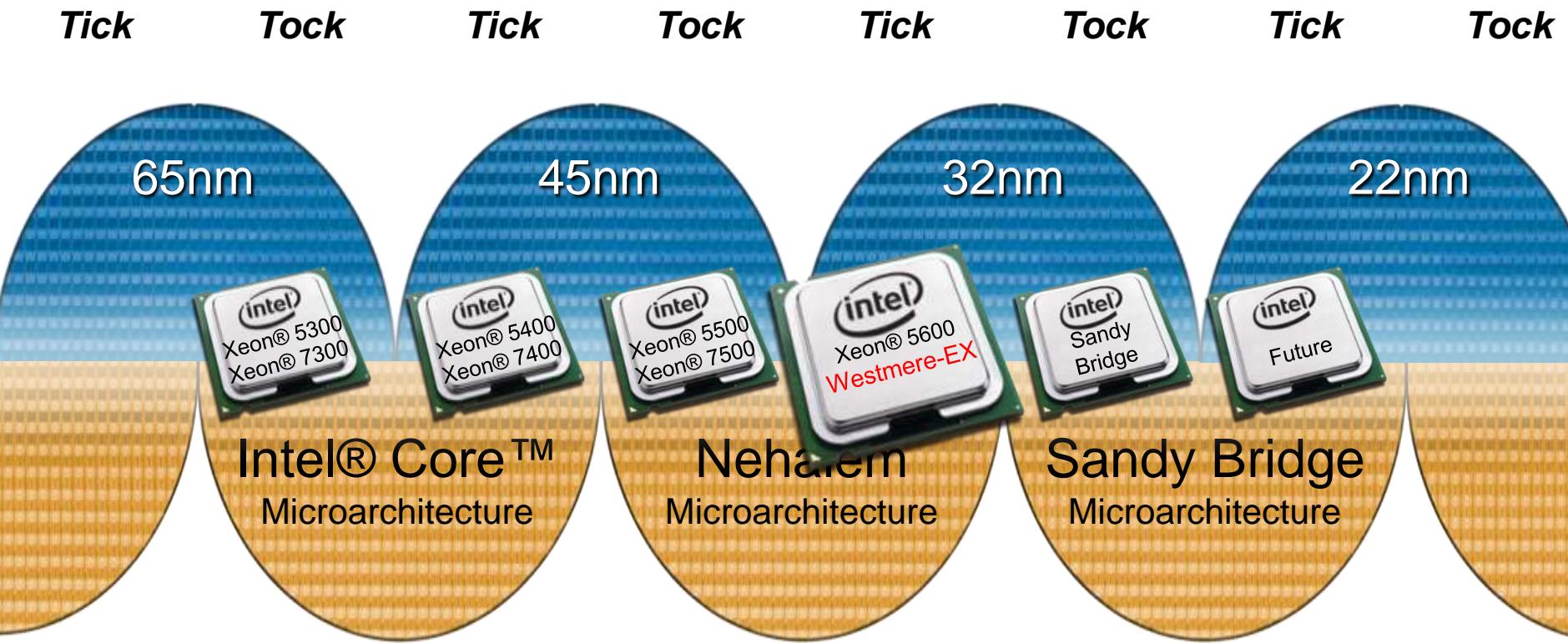
VMmark 2.0 generates a realistic measure of virtualization platform performance by incorporating a variety of platform-level workloads such as **dynamic VM relocation (vMotion)** and **dynamic datastore relocation (storage vMotion)**, in **addition to traditional application-level workloads**. The benchmark system in VMmark 2.0 is comprised of a series of “sub-tests” that are derived from commonly used load-generation tools and commonly initiated virtualization administration tasks.



# Industry Benchmarks

- Generally comparing SPECint, SPECjbb, VMmark and SAP SD over processors of same generation show same % change as MIPS (increase in clock speed and core)
- SPECint can be used to calculate compute power of old servers to get a good estimate of what to replace them with.

# Tick-Tock Development Model



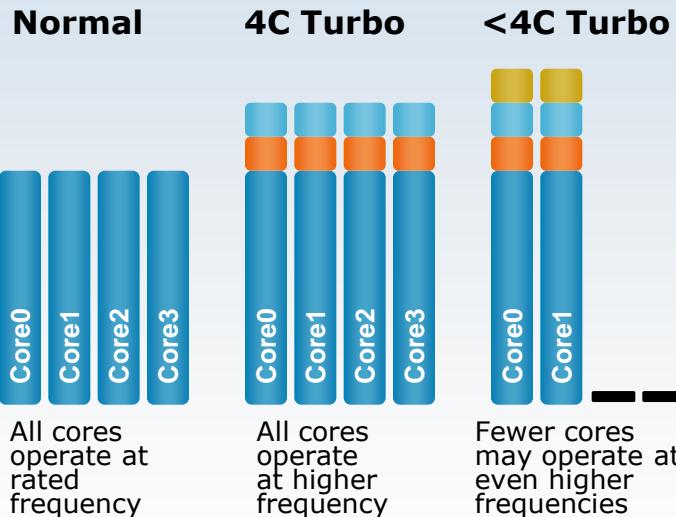
**Sustained Xeon® Microprocessor Leadership**

# Performance Enhancements

## Intel® Xeon® 5500/5560 Series Processor (Nehalem-EP)

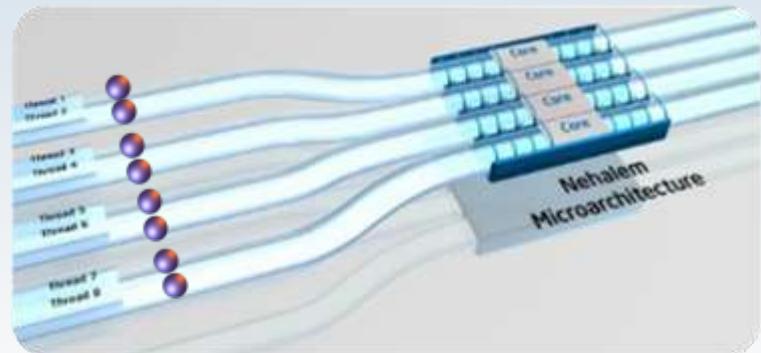
### Intel® Turbo Boost Technology

Increases performance by increasing processor frequency and enabling faster speeds when conditions allow



### Intel® Hyper-threading Technology

Increases performance for threaded applications delivering greater throughput and responsiveness



### Higher Performance on Demand

### Higher Performance For Threaded Workloads

# Latency of Virtualization Transitions

- Microarchitectural

Huge latency reduction generation over generation

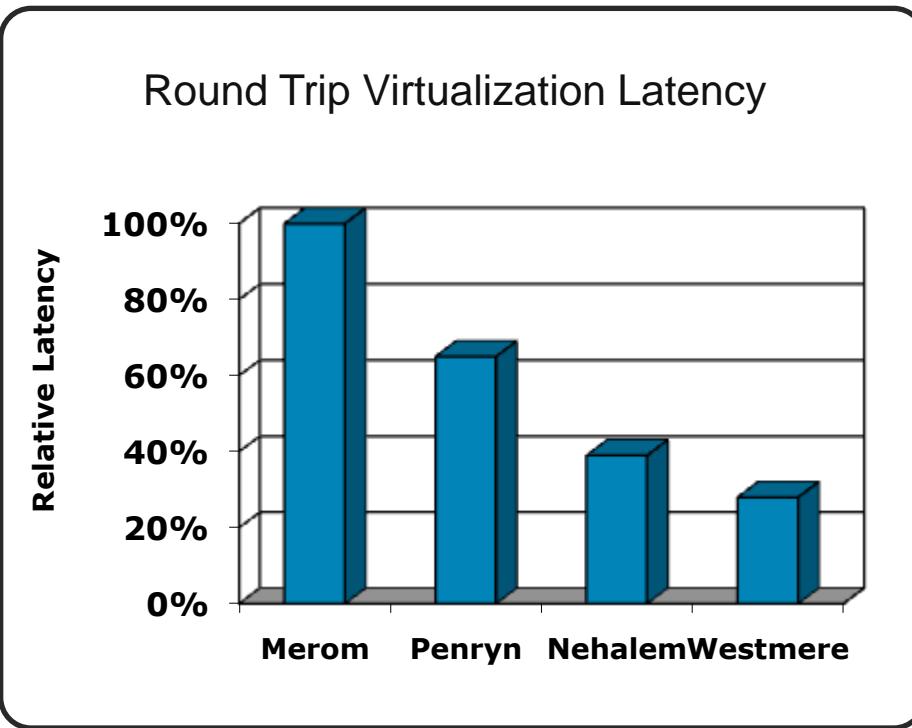
Nehalem continues the trend

- Architectural

Virtual Processor ID (VPID)  
added in Intel® Core™  
microarchitecture (Nehalem)

Removes need to flush TLBs  
on transitions

Round Trip Virtualization Latency

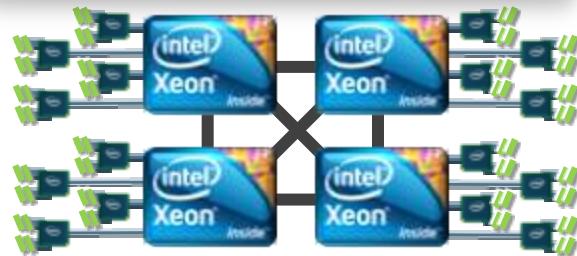


*Higher Virtualization Performance Through  
Lower Transition Latencies*

# Optimized for Different Usages

Best for *the most demanding* workloads

## Xeon 7000 Processor Series



- Largest workloads
- Highly variable workloads
- Maximum consolidation
- Highest availability

Best for general enterprise workloads

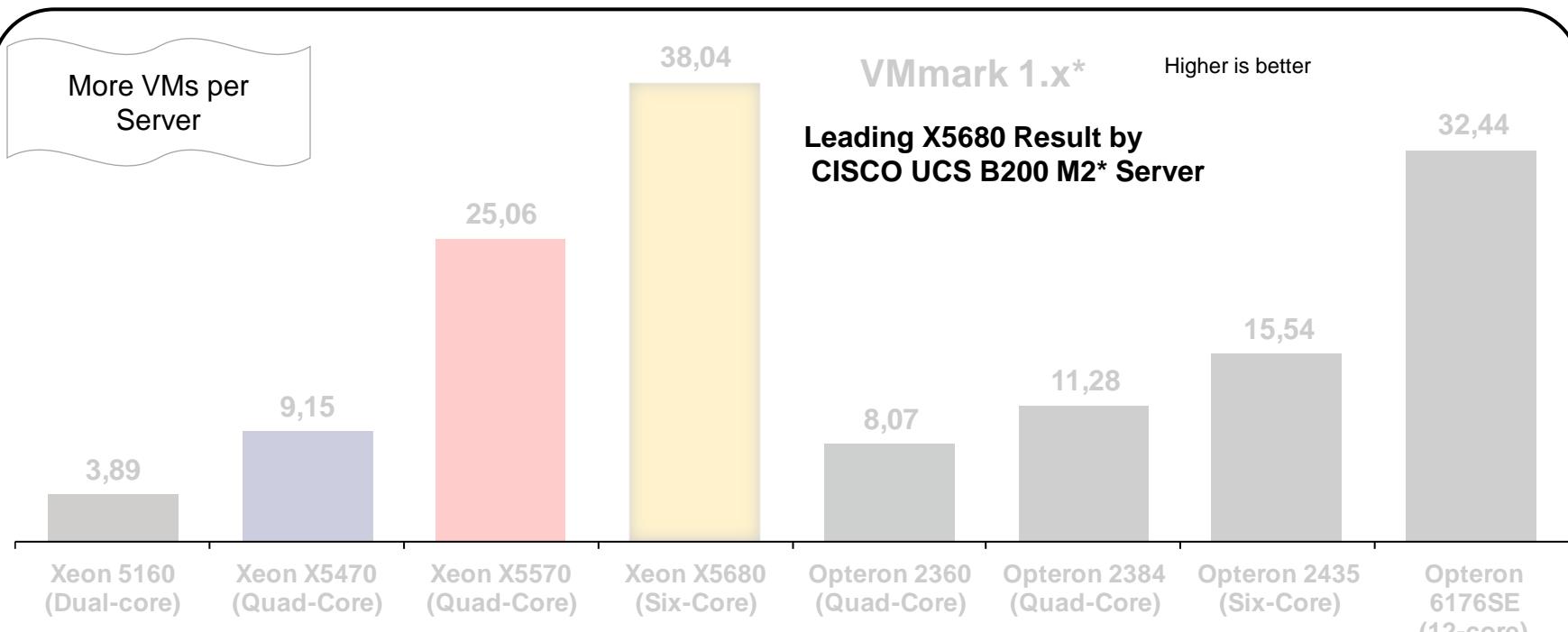
## Xeon 5000 Processor Series



- Scale-out workloads
- Infrastructure virtualization
- General purpose workloads (e.g. e-mail, web, file/print)

**Xeon® 4-socket servers are designed for heavy duty workloads**

## Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 series based Server platforms Virtualization performance on VMware ESX\* using VMmark\* benchmark 1.1

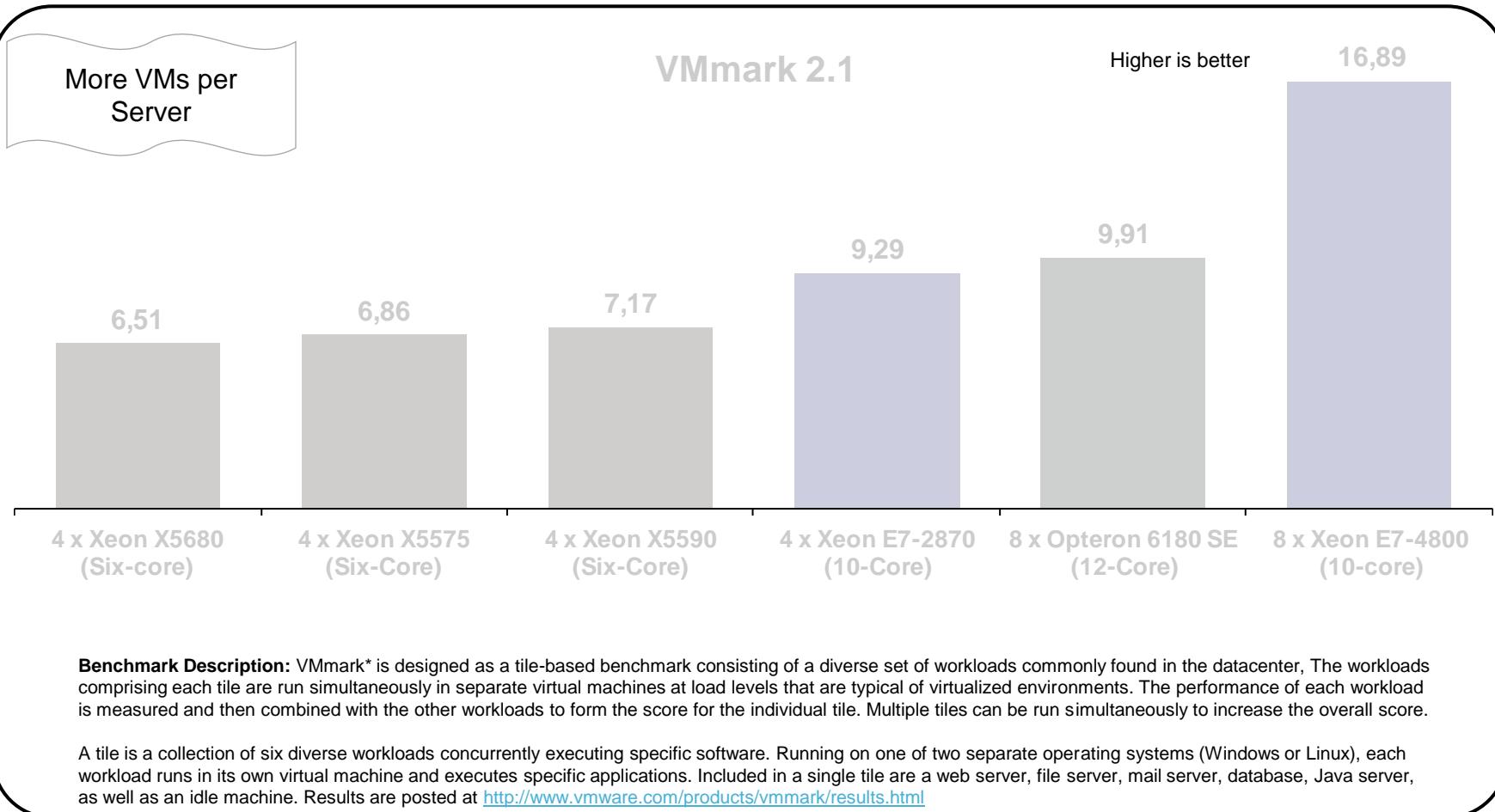


**Benchmark Description:** VMmark\* is designed as a tile-based benchmark consisting of a diverse set of workloads commonly found in the datacenter. The workloads comprising each tile are run simultaneously in separate virtual machines at load levels that are typical of virtualized environments. The performance of each workload is measured and then combined with the other workloads to form the score for the individual tile. Multiple tiles can be run simultaneously to increase the overall score.

A tile is a collection of six diverse workloads concurrently executing specific software. Running on one of two separate operating systems (Windows or Linux), each workload runs in its own virtual machine and executes specific applications. Included in a single tile are a web server, file server, mail server, database, Java server, as well as an idle machine. Results are posted at <http://www.vmware.com/products/vmmark/results.html>

**Up to 42% gain on VMmark\* over Xeon 5570**

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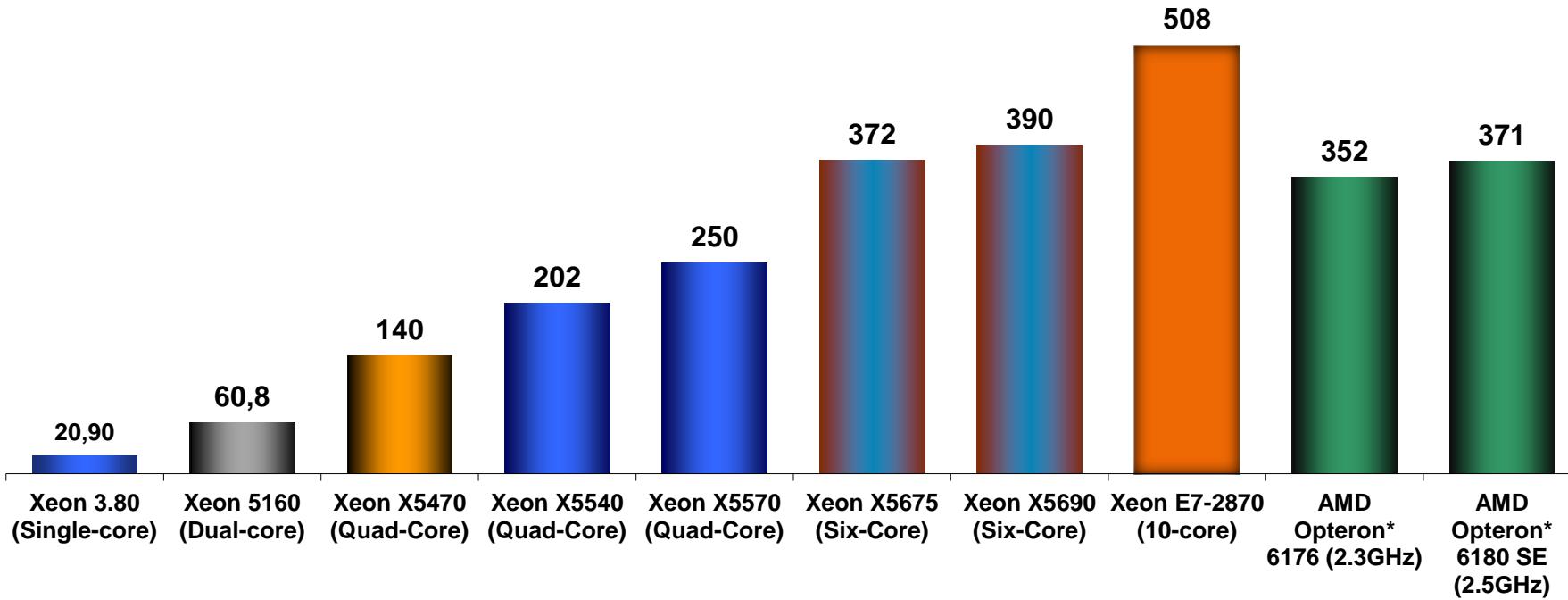


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### Integer Throughput performance on SPECint\*\_rate\_base2006

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Base Score  
Higher is better



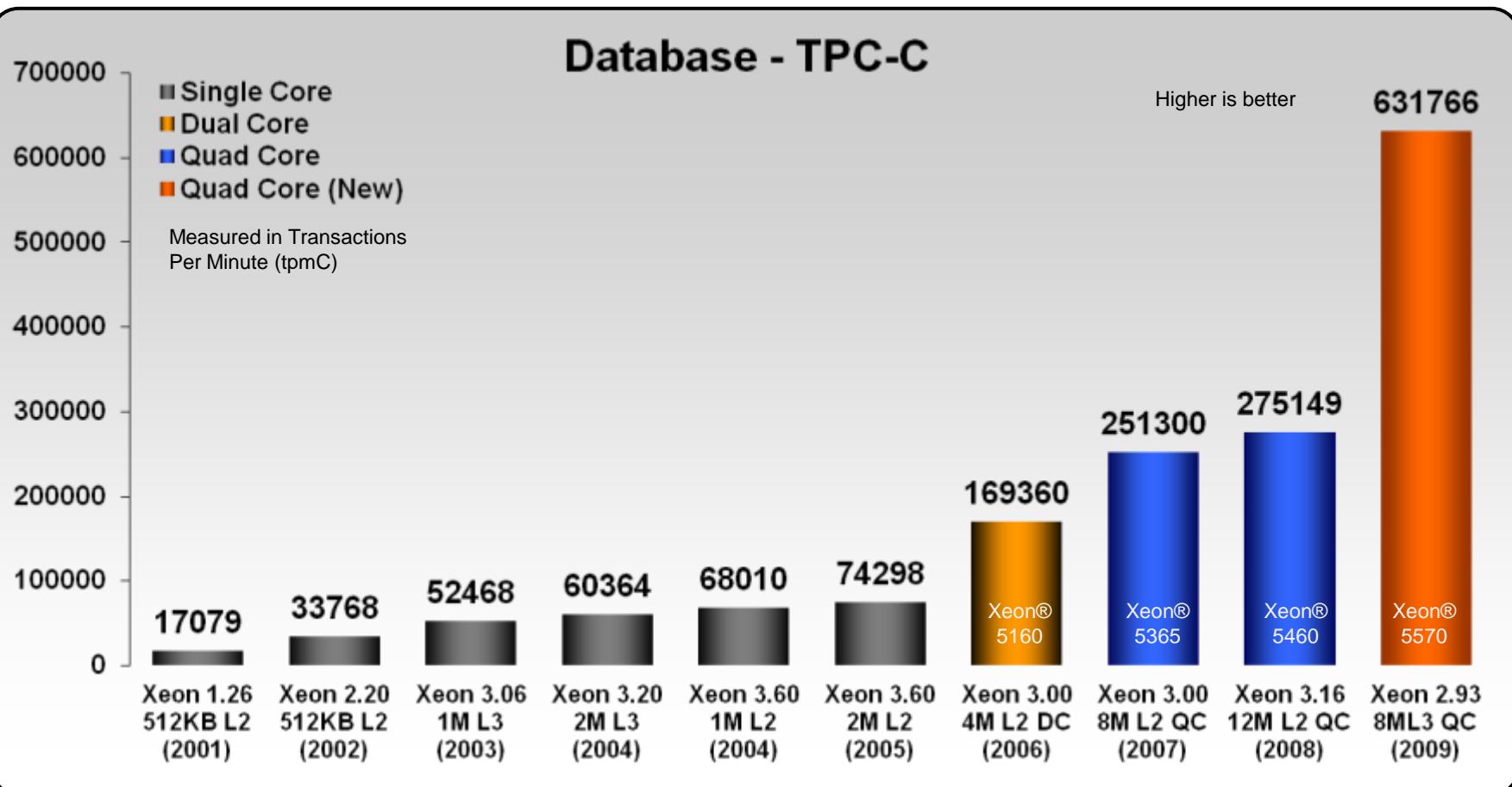
### Better Performance on General Purpose Computing Applications

Xeon 3.80 – Intel® Xeon® Processor 3.80 2M L2 (“Irwindale 3.80GHz”, Single-Core)  
Xeon 5160 – Intel® Xeon® Processor 5160 (“Woodcrest 3.0GHz”, Dual-Core)  
Xeon 5470 – Intel® Xeon® Processor X5470 (“Harpertown 3.33GHz”, Quad-Core)

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Xeon 5680 – Intel® Xeon® Processor X5680 (“Westmere-EP 3.33 GHz”, Six-Core)  
Magny Cours – AMD Opteron 6176 SE 2.3GHz

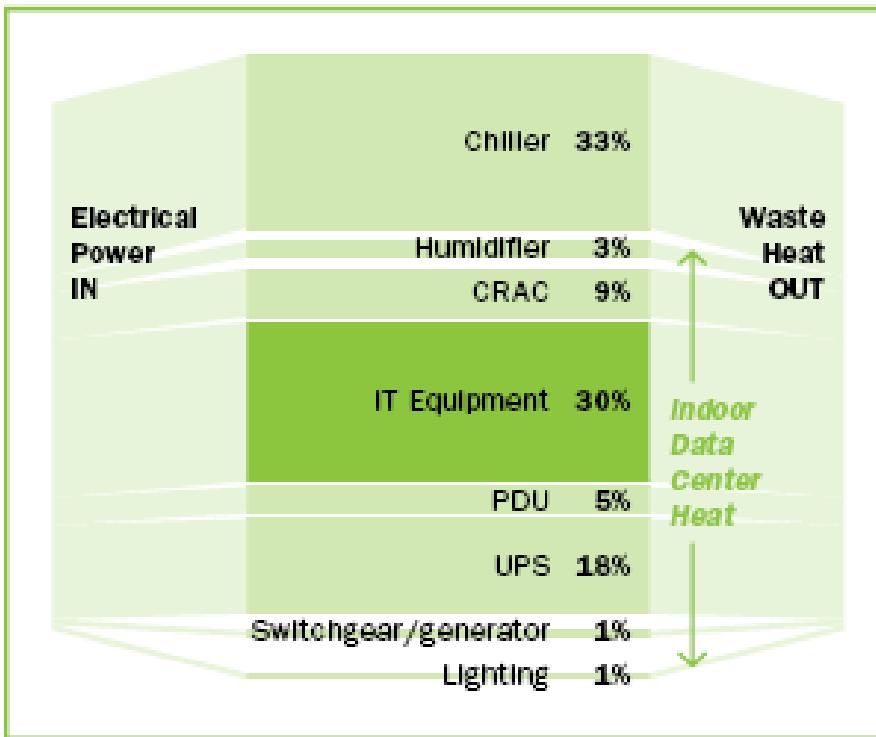
# Intel® Xeon® Processor 5500 series based Server platforms

## Database performance on TPC\*-C



Consolidate your IT infrastructure with Xeon 5500 series

# Typical power usage in an older Data Center



Picture taken from Green Grid

Picture shows typical use of electrical power in an older (5 years or older) Data Center

Green Grid defines Power Usage Effectiveness (PUE) as total power consumed in DC divided by power consumed by IT equipment

The lower PUE the less power used by non-IT equipment

PUE of picture: 3.33



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# Sizing based on SPECint

Brand	Type	CPU	GHz	SPECint	Qty	Total SPECint
Dell	PowerEdge R900	4 x X7350	2.93	177	3	531
Dell	PowerEdge 2950	2 x 5160	3.0	61	4	244
HP	BL495c G5	2 x AMD 2352	2.1	82	12	984
HP	BL495c G6	2 x AMD 2435	2.6	160	11	1.760
HP	BL495c G7	2 x AMD 6174	2.2	335	3	1.005
		<b>Total</b>			<b>33</b>	<b>4.524</b>
Cisco	UCS B200 M2	2 x X5670	2.93	340	14	4.760
Cisco	UCS B230 M2	2 x E7-2870	2.40	480	10	4.800

