

MOTHERBOARD



CPU	Controls high speed access to RAM and the video card.
Northbridge	Considered the brain of the computer
Mini ITX	Provides locations for connecting additional components to the motherboard.
Micro ATX	Used to boot the computer and perform a power-on self-test.
Expansion Slot	Smaller form factor that is backward compatible with ATX.
BIOS Chip	Has only one PCI slot for expansion cards. Pause for answer.
RAM	A temporary location to store data and applications.
Southbridge	Allows the CPU to communicate with slower-speed devices.