
Subject: Welcome to comp.sys.atari.8bit!

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Welcome to the comp.sys.atari.8bit newsgroup!

Discussion about 8 bit Atari micros.

Welcome to the Usenet newsgroup for discussion about the Atari 8-bit family of computers! These include the Atari 400, 800, 1200XL, 600XL, 800XL, 65XE, 130XE, and 800XE personal/home computers, and the Atari XE System console.

The 400/800/1200XL/600XL/800XL computers were marketed from 1979-1984 by Atari, Inc., of Sunnyvale, California, USA, while Atari was a subsidiary of Warner Communications Inc. (WCI), the media and entertainment conglomerate.

The 800XL/65XE/130XE/800XE computers and XE System console were marketed from 1984-1992 by Atari, Corp./Atari Corporation, also based in Sunnyvale, California, USA.

Today, remaining intellectual property rights associated with the Atari 8-bit family of computers are owned by Atari Interactive, Inc., a subsidiary of Atari S.A. of Paris, France. <http://www.atari.com/>

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<ftp://rtfm.mit.edu/pub/faqs/atari-8-bit/welcome>

<http://faqs.cs.uu.nl/na-dir/atari-8-bit/welcome.html>

<http://www-ftp.lip6.fr/pub/doc/faqs/atari-8-bit/welcome>

NEWSGROUP BACKGROUND

comp.sys.atari.8bit was created in November 1986 (as part of the Great Renaming) as a direct replacement for: net.micro.atari8

comp.sys.atari.8bit is unmoderated, and has no formal newsgroup charter.

The comp.* hierarchy of Usenet newsgroups is managed by the Big-8 Management Board: <http://www.big-8.org/>

RELATED NEWSGROUPS

alt.binaries.comp.atari8bit

Programs for Atari's 6502-based orphans.
(This newsgroup is not widely propagated.)

de.comp.sys.atari

[German language discussion about Atari micros.]

fr.comp.sys.atari

Machines de la gamme Atari.
[French language discussion about Atari micros.]

pl.comp.sys.atari

Grupa dyskusyjna uzytkownikow komputerow atari.
[Polish language discussion about Atari micros.]

WEB FORUMS

Atari 8-Bit Computers forum at AtariAge

<http://www.atariage.com/forums/forum/12-atari-8-bit-computer/s/>

Atari 8-Bitters Past and Present (Google+ community)

<https://plus.google.com/u/0/communities/11049916749950463960> 9

SOFTWARE

<http://www.atarimania.com/> "The World's Finest Atari Database"

<http://a8.fandal.cz/> Games, Demos

<http://www.atarionline.pl/> Games, Demos

<http://ftp.pigwa.net/> or <ftp://ftp.pigwa.net/> "Total Demoscene Archive"

<http://www.atari8bit.de.vu/> Homesoft's Disk Images (games)

XL Search "The Atari 8-Bit File Archive Search Engine" (Bill Kendrick)

<http://xlsearch.atari.org/> or <http://www.newbreedsoftware.com/xlsearch/>

Atari SAP Music Archive, <http://asma.atari.org/>

INFORMATION

Atari 8-Bit Computers: Frequently Asked Questions (Michael Current)

<ftp://rtfm.mit.edu/pub/faqs/atari-8-bit/faq>

<http://www-ftp.lip6.fr/pub/doc/faqs/atari-8-bit/faq>

Atari 8-Bit Computers: Vendors and Developers (Michael Current)

<ftp://rtfm.mit.edu/pub/faqs/atari-8-bit/vendev>

<http://faqs.cs.uu.nl/na-dir/atari-8-bit/vendev.html>

<http://www-ftp.lip6.fr/pub/doc/faqs/atari-8-bit/vendev>

Atari Disk Image FAQ (Steve Tucker)

<http://www.atarimax.com/apc/docs/DiskImageFAQ/>

Atari BBS List (Trevor Holyoak)
<http://atari.holyoak.com/ATARIBBS.TXT>

Easter Egg Compendium (Digital Press)
<http://www.digitpress.com/eastereggs/atari8bit.htm>

Game Solution Maps
<http://mapy.atari8.info/>

AtariWiki (Carsten Strotmann)
<https://atariwiki.org/>

Atari 8-Bit Cartridges (PitfallJones)
<http://www.pitfalljones.com/atari.htm>

USER GROUPS

ABBUC - Atari Bit Byter User Club
<http://www.abbuc.de/>

ABBUC Regionalgruppe Frankfurt / Main (RAF)
<http://www.abbuc-raf.de/>

ACEC - Atari Computer Enthusiasts of Columbus
<http://acec.atari.org/> or <http://www.angelfire.com/oh4/acec/acec.html>

AKPV - Atariklub Prostějov
<http://www.atariada.cz/atariklub/>

SCAT - Suburban Chicago ATarians
<http://www.scatarians.org/>

SLCC - San Leandro Computer Club
<http://slcc.bdgeorge.com/>

SPACE - Saint Paul Atari Computer Enthusiasts
<http://space.atari.org/> or <http://www.spaceweb.us/>

WASEO - Walkenrieder Anwender-Software Entwicklungs Organisation
<http://www.waseo.de/>

NEWS SOURCES

Atari Online News, Etc. (A-ONE) Online Magazine -- weekly (Dana P. Jacobson)
<http://www.atarinews.org/> and <http://people.delphiforums.com/dpj/a-one.htm>

PRO(C) ATARI -- print, quarterly, German/English editions (Markus Roesner)
<http://proc-atari.de/>

Excel -- print, bimonthly (Robert Stuart)

