

## [SLE] Video Cards w/ DVI

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Hi,

With my fancy new UXGA display working well (i.e., with all the various software configuration issues sorted out and fine-tuned), I'm now looking to see just how good it gets. Specifically, I'm looking for / considering a DVI-capable video adaptor. I'm currently using a Matrox G400, which has only VGA outputs, of course.

According to a very good and detailed article on Tom's Hardware Guide (<http://www20.graphics.tomshardware.com/graphic/20041129/index.html>), getting the most from DVI at UXGA resolutions and above is technically very demanding. They reviewed several cards and the only ones they gave good reviews and accorded full compliance were those based on ATI Radeon processors. In contrast, all of the nVidia-based cards they reviewed were given marginal evaluations.

I have gotten the impression that nVidia has the best driver support, though one must manually install the nVidia-supplied driver since they don't allow Linux vendors to include this driver in their distributions. Apparently, there are more problems using Radeon cards.

I have not been able to find a lot of information on these issues. Could someone clue me in or supply some good pointers? If anyone is already using a UXGA with DVI and has specific recommendations, suggestions or feedback, I'd love to hear it.

Thanks.

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