

AMD has shipped 5 million Fusion processors

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(PhysOrg.com) -- Advanced Micro Devices, which you may know better by its initials AMD, has announced that it has shipped out roughly five million of its Fusion processors since their creation. The processors, which are used mainly in netbooks are beginning to take down Intel's market domination, at least when it comes to the world of netbooks and tablets. You may wonder how different the AMD and Intel processors are? To be honest the AMD only, in most cases, performs only slightly better on processing benchmarks than Intel models. These differences however, have been enough to make some manufacturers switch, since those boosts can be the difference between being sold and sitting on the shelf.

Of course, this may have something to do with decreased consumer interest in netbooks, according to analysts. This is partially because laptops have gotten smaller and lighter, while still offering significant [processing power](#). It is also partially because of the rise of tablet PCs, such as Apple's [iPad](#), which also offer consumers and ultra-portable [web experience](#).

AMD is going strong in these markets; the company is reporting that the demand for their processors has exceeded their expectations, with the demand for those processors far outpacing the supply. When you consider that these processors were only introduced to the market in the fourth quarter of 2010, these are impressive rise in sales. Between 3.5 million and 4 million of those sales were made in the first quarter of 2011.

Intel does not, as you may have guessed, agree with the analysts who predict the decline of netbooks. Sources in the company have said to journalists that they still believe that netbooks can be a viable part of the mobile marketplace.

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