

Hard Drive Connectivity Reference

	USB 2.0	USB 3.0	FireWire 400	FireWire 800	eSATA	Gigabit Ethernet
Connector						
HDD Port						
Maximum Transfer Rate	480 Mb/s	4.8 Gb/s	400 Mb/s	800 Mb/s	3000 Mb/s	1000 Mb/s
Ideal for:	Connecting to different systems quickly and easily	Transferring large amounts of data frequently or for audio/video programs	Transferring large amounts of data frequently or for audio/video programs	Multiple-stream digital video and high-resolution digital audio	Transferring large amounts of data frequently or for audio/video programs	Sharing large amounts of data and/or large audio/video files across a network
Commonly used with:	PCs	PCs	Macintosh computers	Macintosh computers	PCs	PCs in Local Area Networks (LAN)
Maximum Cable Length	5 m	Not Yet Specified	4.5 m	4.5 m	2 m	N/A
Hot-Pluggable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Power Provided	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Symbol						