

USB 10X Faster: 1st Upgrade in 8 Years

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USB will have its first major upgrade in 8 years — featuring 10X speed upgrade from current USB 2.0 standard. Today's USB takes about 10 minutes to transfer a high-def video from a Blu-ray disc. With USB 3.0 (also called SuperSpeed USB), it will take only about a minute.

The first USB 3.0 devices won't show up until Q4 next year but at January CES you will probably see it in demos around HD video cameras and hard drives.

USB was first introduced in 1996 and last year more than 2.6 billion USB-enabled devices were shipped, says In-Stat. Go [**USB Super Speed specs and info**](#)