## Atari 2600

The Atari 2600 is a home video game console released in 1977 by Atari, Inc. It was one of the first successful gaming consoles and helped to establish the video game industry. It retailed for \$199.

The 2600 was based on an 8-bit microprocessor and had a library of games that used removable cartridges. It became widely popular, selling over 30 million units, and was considered to be the hallmark of the second generation of video game consoles.

The console was also responsible for popularizing classic games such as "Pac-Man," "Space Invaders," and "Asteroids." The Atari 2600 was eventually discontinued in 1992, but its impact on the gaming industry has remained significant to this day.