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Falling IC to see major rebound in 2010

Semico Research president Jim Feldhan says all indicators point to a strong 2010

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SANTA CLARA, USA: When the figures for year 2009 come out, it would be known that the IC market had fallen by around 12 per cent through the period. However, analysts expect that the scene will see a major rebound to post a growth of 18 per cent in year 2010.

According to Jim Feldhan, president of Semico Research Corp, all indicators 'point to a strong 2010'. Making the prediction, he also dismissed projections that the market will see a dreaded double dip saying that the market will see another quick down cycle, followed by a recovery.

Pointing out that traditional drivers for ICs, such as [netbooks](#), portable navigation devices, notebooks, DVD video recorders, DTV, VOIP PBX and video consoles will see an uptrend, he listed out 3-D games, 3-D TV, Project Natal smart grids, bio mechanical, social networking, [E-paper](#), photomask via DNA and pico displays as the emerging drivers for ICs.

All said, the scene is more than clear that 2009 is expected to be a down year, But year 2010 looks better, indeed.

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