

ipconfig unable to contact DHCP server

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Neither idea worked. I should add that when this first happened, I put in a new mother board with a new integrated network card and put in a new network cable. That did not fix the problem. The only thing that worked was to put in a new hard drive, reformat it, and load windows XP on it. Of course, that meant I had to reload every program on my computer, so I really don't want to do that again. So I'm pretty sure its a Windows issue, but can't tell what. BTW, I tried to recover Windows to a couple of days before the outage and that didn't do anything either.

Steve

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>>I've got a couple of computers connected to a router - 2
>>wired, one wirelss. The router is connected to a cable
>>modem. One of the wired computers running Windows XP
>>(service pack 2) will not connect. It keeps setting the
>>IP address at 169.254.xxx instead of 192.168.x.x.
>>I release and renew iconfig and it gives me the
>>message "an error occurred while renewing interface
>Networ
>>Bridge: unable to contact your DHCP server." I've ruled
>>out the router and modem - as the other computers work.
>>I've switced mobo and network card. No difference. I
>>even reloaded Windows XP and that fixed it for about two
>>weeks and then it went out again. I can manually set
the
>>IP address for 192.168.x.x and that lets the computer
>>communicate with the other two computers, but it still
>>won't connect to the internet.
>>Thoughts?
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>Steve,
> I think that this is most likely a connectivity problem.
>A 169.254 address is called a "PIPA" or Private IP
>Address. This happens when the comp cant find a DHCP
>server to give it an IP address. Since the trouble
>computer is a wired one, try swapping everything you can
>with the one that works. NIC card and ethernet cable
>first. If that doesnt work, make sure that your dhcp
>client service is enable. Administrative Tools -->
>Services. Shoot me an email and let me know how it goes.
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